

## **CENTRAL BANK OF SRI LANKA**

## DEPARTMENT OF SUPERVISION OF NON-BANK FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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## **Credit Ratings**

All Licensed Finance Companies are hereby required to follow the guidelines given below with respect to credit ratings.

- 1. Key deadlines
- 1.1 Enter in to an agreement with a credit rating agency acceptable to the Central Bank of Sri Lanka by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018 to obtain a credit rating for the entity and inform the undersigned accordingly.
- 1.2 Obtain a credit rating for the entity that could be published from such credit rating agency by 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018.
- 2. List of credit rating agencies
- 2.1 For this purpose, select one of the credit rating agencies mentioned below;
  - a) Fitch Ratings Lanka Ltd.
  - b) ICRA Lanka Ltd.
- 2.2 Any changes to the list in 2.1 shall be announced by the Director of Department of Supervision of Non-Bank Financial Institutions (D/SNBFI) for necessary action.
- 3. Other conditions
- 3.1 With effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018, disclose the credit rating in all the advertisements soliciting deposits and debt from the public, in the corporate website, financial statements published and at the business places.
- 3.2 Credit ratings should be updated at least annually and the rating report should be submitted to D/SNBFI within one month from the date of the report.

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