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When the BHOCA payment file is received, there will be times when a payment is unable to allocate to a case. This could be due to a client's reference number being incorrect or missing on the payment file.

When this occurs, the 2012 system will put the payment into suspense and create a Discrepancy Log SR for the managing exceptions team to investigate the suspense item.

As part of the Payment From - Investigate/Escalate process, it has been identified that the item in suspense is an unallocated BHOCA payment.

This procedure explains the steps which caseworkers in the managing exceptions team take to identify the client the payment relates to and to allocate the payment to the client's case.

As part of this process you are required to gather information on the BHOCA payment and request the original payment slip to identify the correct client.

Direct contact with the dedicated Department within Nat West or HSBC may be required. This form of contact is only available to nominated people within the team. For more information refer to Pretty Good Privacy (PGP).



This procedure uses the terms receiving parent and paying parent.

The receiving parent is the parent who receives or who is expected to receive child maintenance, known as the parent with care (PWC) or person with care (PeWC) on the system and in legislation. The paying parent is the parent who pays or who is expected to pay child maintenance, known as the non resident parent (NRP) on the system and in legislation.

Retrieve document identification number (DIN)

For BHOCA payments received from HSBC, see Procedural Exceptions.

Once you have identified the payment is an unallocated BHOCA payment, you will need to search the BHOCA payments held in a localised file to identify the correct payment. You must send a secure email to NatWest who deal with the transactions, asking for copies of the paying in slips. Check to see whether the file has already been converted into an excel format in the BHOCA folder (this will be a BHOCA file with the same date as the Discrepancy Log SR), if it has go to **step 10**, if it hasn't, complete the following steps.

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 - Highlight Row 1 (A to I), then insert the filter by selecting Data, Filter and Auto Filter
 - Insert a blank column after E (Highlight F, right click and insert)
 - In cell F2, type the formula =E2/100 and press Enter, then double click (or select and enter) on lower right corner of E2 to carry out calculation for the whole column
 - With Column F highlighted, format cells and select Accounting and Ok
 - Finally select File and Save as, then change Save As type to XLS and save it in the same folder as the text file

10. Use this spreadsheet to get the document identification number (DIN) which individually relate to paying in slips used in BHOCA transactions.

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11. From the Discrepancy Log SR note the amount of the payment. Using the amount filter within the spreadsheet you can locate the correct DIN.

Request paying in slip from Nat West

12. Once you have the correct DIN number, using pretty good privacy (PGP), send an email to Nat West with the DIN number and amount of the payment, requesting a copy of the payment slip. For more information refer to Pretty Good Privacy (PGP).

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Assign payment

- 15. Go into the Discrepancy Log SR and manually search for the client using the SCIN multi value group (MVG).
- 16. Select the Search Criteria as SCIN and input the information in the appropriate box. Select Go. Select the Client and then select Ok.
- 17. Select the **Case Number** MVG and from the left hand list select the client's case the payment is to be assigned to, move this to the right hand list and select **Ok**.
- 18. Set the SR to In Progress and an activity plan will be generated. Use the ctrl + s keys to save the data.
- 19. Update the **Notes** field, detailing why the payment has been assigned e.g. Receiving parent overpayment recovery. For more information refer to **Notes** - **Freetext/Case**.
- 20. Input the correct information (DIN) in the Correct Reference Number field in the Payments tab, located in the More Info tab. Enter the occurrence as One-Off.

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- 21. Update the Resolution Code to Discrepancy Log Accepted, this will enable the Submit Discrepancy Log button.
- 22. Select the Submit Discrepancy Log button to initiate the approval request and allocate the payment to the correct account.
- 23. Ensure all activities are updated on the SR
- 24. Close the SR by updating the Status to Closed and the Sub Status to Complete.
- 25. Once complete, store any documents in a localised file for reference.

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Related Items

Notes - Service Request/Case/Contact

Payment From - Investigate Escalate

Pretty Good Privacy (PGP)

Who can contact the dedicated Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) team within HSBC?

There are certain nominated people within the managing exceptions team

When a BHOCA payment is unable to allocate to a case, what action is required?

The 2012 system will put the payment into suspense and create an SR to investigate.

Why would a BHOCA payment not allocate to a case?

This will be due to a client's reference number being incorrect or missing on the payment file.