

# 5 COMMON WAYS FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS CAN FALL FOUL OF REGULATIONS



The threat of regulatory fines in financial services has never been greater. Global financial institutions were fined more than \$36 billion USD due to non-compliance in 2019 — \$10 billion more than 2018.\*

\*Global Financial Institution Fines Analysis, conducted by Fenergo

## 862 ENFORCEMENT CASES

The second highest amount ever recorded by the SEC

## \$4.3 BILLION

Penalties issued by the SEC

## \$1.3 BILLION

Fines imposed by the Department of Justice

## \$5.1 BILLION

UBS fined for tax evasion and money laundering

## 5 OF THE MOST COMMON EXAMPLES OF FINANCIAL MISCONDUCT

### 1. CLIENT CONFIDENTIALITY/ DATA PROTECTION

Failure to protect against unauthorized or unlawful processing of personal data can result in fines, imprisonment, and the loss of jobs.

### 2. BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION

An inducement or reward offered, promised, or provided in order to gain any commercial, contractual, regulatory, or personal advantage.

### 3. BENCHMARK MANIPULATION

Manipulating benchmarks and rates (in order for brokers to influence their trades) can impact market confidence, cause significant investor losses, and distort the real economy.

### 4. BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY

An example could be not acting in the best interest of the client, such as not diversifying investments or ensuring investments are suitable.

### 5. BROKER/TRADER ERRORS

Brokers must establish and maintain procedures to “reasonably manage” regulatory risks. Failure to notify a regulatory authority of the intention to commit fraud will result in a fine.

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