

# COURTESY OVERDRAFT PRIVILEGE SERVICE DESCRIPTION

**Bristol County Savings Bank** (“we, us or our”) offers the Courtesy Overdraft Privilege Service. If your account qualifies for Courtesy Overdraft Privilege, we will consider, without obligation on our part, paying items for which your account has insufficient or unavailable funds, instead of automatically returning those items unpaid. This document explains how Courtesy Overdraft Privilege operates.

## Transactions that May Qualify for Courtesy Overdraft Privilege

An overdraft occurs when you do not have enough money in your account to cover a transaction. Although there are many reasons why your account might become overdrawn, most overdrafts result from the following:

- a) You write a check, swipe your debit card or initiate an electronic funds transfer in an amount that exceeds the amount of funds available in your account;
- b) You deposit a check or other item into your account and the item is returned unpaid, which causes a negative balance in your account once your balance is reduced by the amount of the returned check;
- c) You have inadequate funds in your account when we assess a fee or service charge; or
- d) You initiate a transaction before funds deposited into your account are "available" or "finally paid" according to our Funds Availability Policy. For example, if you deposit a check into your account, the proceeds of that check may not be available to you for up to five days after you deposit the check. If you do not have sufficient funds in your account—independent of the check—to cover the transaction, you will incur an overdraft.

The Courtesy Overdraft Privilege Service applies to a variety of transactions, including checks and other transactions made using your checking account number, automatic bill payments, ATM transactions and everyday debit card transactions; however, we will not include ATM and everyday debit card transactions within our Courtesy Overdraft Privilege Service without first receiving your affirmative consent to do so. Absent your affirmative consent, ATM and everyday debit card transactions generally will not be paid under Courtesy Overdraft Privilege.

Participation in Courtesy Overdraft Privilege is not mandatory. You may opt-out of the service any time by notifying one of our service representatives. Furthermore, you may revoke your affirmative consent to have ATM and everyday debit card transactions considered for payment under Courtesy Overdraft Privilege without removing other items from the service. Simply inform us of your preference.

As noted above, we retain full discretion to decline to pay any item under the Courtesy Overdraft Privilege Program. This means we can refuse to pay any overdraft for any reason. Even if we decide to pay an overdraft item, absent an agreement to the contrary, such payment does not create any duty to pay future overdrafts. If we do not authorize and pay an overdraft, your transaction will be declined and we may assess NSF fees on your account in accordance with your account agreement and the fee schedule in effect at the time of the overdraft.

## Fees

For each overdraft we pay, we will charge the standard per item overdraft fee set forth in our fee schedule, currently **\$30.00** (or \$5.00 on qualifying designated 18/65 accounts). There is a limit of six (6) per item overdraft fees that we may charge your consumer account on any business day for overdrawing your account. We will notify you by mail if we pay or return any insufficient or unavailable funds items on your account; however, we have no obligation to notify you before we pay or return any item. The amounts of any overdrafts, including our fees, are due and payable immediately or on demand.

## Accounts Eligible for Courtesy Overdraft Privilege

Courtesy Overdraft Privilege is a discretionary service and is generally limited to an \$800 overdraft (negative) balance for eligible personal checking accounts; Please note that per item overdraft fees count toward your Courtesy Overdraft Privilege Limit. We may in our sole discretion limit the number of accounts eligible for Courtesy Overdraft Privilege to one account per household or per taxpayer identification number. Further, Courtesy Overdraft Privilege is usually extended only to accounts in good standing. An account in good standing exhibits, but is not limited to, the following characteristics:

- a) The account has been open for at least thirty (30) days;
- b) The account has deposits totaling at least \$400 or more within each thirty (30) day period;
- c) The account demonstrates consistent deposit activity;
- d) The account owner is current on all loan obligations with us; and
- e) The account is not subject to any legal or administrative order or levy, such as bankruptcy or tax lien.

We also offer other overdraft protection services. These include an overdraft line of credit and overdraft protection linked to another account of yours with us, such as a savings account (Automatic Transfer Service). These optional services may save money on the total fees you pay us for overdraft protection services. If you apply and are approved for an overdraft line of credit, you will not be eligible for Courtesy Overdraft Privilege. However, the Automatic Transfer Service may be used along with Courtesy Overdraft Privilege.

Overdrafts should not be used to pay ordinary or routine expenses and you should not rely on overdrafts as a means to cover these expenses. If at any time you feel you need help with your financial obligations, please contact one of our customer service representatives at your local branch office.



## What You Need to Know about Overdrafts and Overdraft Fees

An overdraft occurs when you do not have enough money in your account to cover a transaction, but we pay it anyway. We can cover your overdrafts in two different ways:

1. We have standard overdraft practices (Courtesy Overdraft Privilege) that comes with your account.
2. We also offer overdraft protection plans, such as a link to a savings account (Automatic Transfer Service), and personal Overdraft Lines of Credit. These may be less expensive than our standard overdraft practices (Courtesy Overdraft Privilege). To learn more, ask us about these plans.

This notice explains our standard overdraft practices (Courtesy Overdraft Privilege).

➤ **What are the standard overdraft practices (Courtesy Overdraft Privileges) that come with my account?**

We do authorize and pay overdrafts for the following types of transactions:

- Checks and other transactions made using your checking account number
- Automatic bill payments

We do not authorize and pay overdrafts for the following types of transactions unless you ask us to (see below):

- ATM transactions
- Everyday debit card transactions

We pay overdrafts at our discretion, which means we do not guarantee that we will always authorize and pay any type of transaction.

If we do not authorize and pay an overdraft, your transaction will be declined.

➤ **What fees will I be charged if Bristol County Savings Bank pays my overdraft?**

Under our standard overdraft practices (Courtesy Overdraft Privilege):

- We will charge you a fee of up to **\$30** (or **\$5** on qualifying designated 18/65 accounts) each time we pay an overdraft.
- There is a limit of six (6) per item overdraft fees that we can charge you on any business day for overdrawing your account.

➤ **What if I want Bristol County Savings Bank to authorize and pay overdrafts on my ATM and everyday debit card transactions?**

If you want **Bristol County Savings Bank** to authorize and pay overdrafts on ATM and everyday debit card transactions, call (508) 828-5420, or complete the form below and present it at a branch or mail it to: **Bristol County Savings Bank, Attention: Deposit Operations, 29 Broadway, Taunton MA 02780.**

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For **ATM and everyday debit card transactions**, please choose one of the following options.

I do not want Bristol County Savings Bank to authorize and pay overdrafts on my ATM and everyday debit card transactions.

I want Bristol County Savings Bank to authorize and pay overdrafts on my ATM and everyday debit card transactions.

For **all transactions**, including **ATM and everyday Debit Card transactions as well as Checks and Recurring Payments**, including bill payments:

I do not want Bristol County Savings Bank to authorize and pay overdrafts on my checks and recurring payments, including ATM and every day debit card transaction.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_