

# Overdraft Privilege Service Policy

**Unified Bank** ("we, us or our") offers the Overdraft Privilege Service. If your account qualifies for 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 Overdraft Privilege operates.

### Transactions that May Qualify for 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, do an in person withdrawal, 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 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 consumer 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 Overdraft Privilege.

Participation in Overdraft Privilege is not mandatory. You may opt-out of the service any time by notifying one of our customer service representatives. Furthermore, you may revoke your affirmative consent to have ATM and everyday debit card transactions considered for payment under 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 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 item, we will charge the standard <u>per item</u> Overdraft/NSF Fee set forth in our fee schedule (currently **\$34.98 for Overdraft/\$29.98 for NSF**). In addition, under our standard overdraft practices:

- We will charge your account a **\$6.99** Continuous Overdraft Fee. Typically, we will start charging the Continuous Overdraft Fee on the fifth (5th) business day your account is overdrawn and will continue to charge the Continuous Overdraft Fee for each subsequent business day your account remains overdrawn up through the 35th business day. After the 35th business day, the overdrawn account will no longer be assessed a Continuous Overdraft Fee.
- There is no limit on the total fees we can charge you for overdrawing your account. Currently we will
  only assess your account up to a maximum of seven (7) Overdraft/NSF Fees per business day.

- The Bank does not charge a checking account participating in the Overdraft Privilege Program an Overdraft/NSF Fee for transactions that overdraw an account by an aggregate amount of \$5.00 or less.
- Certain debit card transactions may come as a preauthorization approval so that the merchant is guaranteed payment, however, the actual withdrawal from your account for this purchase may post and debit your account at a later date. Since the preauthorization obtained by the merchant is a guaranteed form of payment, these funds will be withdrawn from your account and may cause an overdraft fee of \$34.98 if at the time of posting there are insufficient funds in your account and you are Opted In under Regulation E.

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 amount of any overdrafts – including our fees – is due and payable immediately or on demand. Also, please note that if we return an item NSF it will likely be automatically re-presented to us by the financial institution where the item was presented for payment and potentially could result in an additional per item Overdraft/NSF Fee when re-presented if the amount of the item still exceeds the amount of available funds in your account.

#### **Accounts Eligible for Overdraft Privilege**

Overdraft Privilege is a discretionary service and is generally limited to a \$250 overdraft (negative) balance for a new eligible checking account relationship. Once the account is in good standing as described below, it will receive an \$800 overdraft (negative) balance for eligible personal checking accounts; or a \$1,500 overdraft (negative) balance for eligible business checking accounts. Please note that both per item and continuous overdraft fees count toward your Overdraft Privilege Limit. We may in our sole discretion limit the number of accounts eligible for Overdraft Privilege to one account per household or per taxpayer identification number. Further, 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 is not subject to any legal or administrative order or levy, such as bankruptcy or tax lien.
- e) The account holder does not currently have an existing Fresh Start loan

We offer other overdraft protection services in addition to Overdraft Privilege. This includes a checking account linked to savings account, which may be less expensive than our standard overdraft practices.

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 us at (888-275-5566) to discuss your options or speak with one of our customer service representatives at your local branch office. Eligible account types include: Freedom Checking, Freedom 50, Freedom Gold, Freedom Direct, Sharelink 1000 and Free Business Checking. Certain account classes within these types of accounts maybe ineligible for the Overdraft Privilege Service. Please see those outlined below.

## **Ineligible Accounts and Limitations**

Our Overdraft Privilege is only available for eligible checking accounts that are maintained in good standings as defined above. The account types and certain account classes are not eligible for the Overdraft Privilege service are: Savings accounts, Money Market Accounts, Public Funds, Charitable Organizations, Trusts, Representative Payee fiduciary accounts, Non-Profit Organizations, Groups/Clubs/Associations and Freedom Student checking accounts.