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	MiCA	The Bahamas	Bermuda	Estonia ¹	Gibraltar	Hong Kong ²	Japan ³	Liechtenstein	Malta	Cayman Islands ⁴
Corporate Governance										
Fit & Proper Requirements	V	√	√	X	√	Х	Х	√	√	√
Board & Management structure	\checkmark	√	√	X	√	Х	√	√	\checkmark	√
Audit requirements	\checkmark	X	\checkmark	Χ	\checkmark	Χ	\checkmark	Х	\checkmark	\checkmark
Segregation of duties	\checkmark	X	√	Χ	√	Χ	Х	Х	\checkmark	V
Approval for changes in control	√	Х	√	Х	√	Х	V	X	√	√
Remuneration	\checkmark	Х	Х	Х	X	Χ	Х	Х	Χ	√
Conduct of business										
Conflicts of interest	\checkmark	Χ	√	Χ	√	Х	\checkmark	Х	\checkmark	√
Treating customers fairly	√	√	√	Х	√	X	X	X	√	√
Client communications	\checkmark	Χ	√	X	\checkmark	Х	Х	X	\checkmark	\checkmark
Full disclosure	Х	√	√	Х	√	Х	Х	√	√	√
Complaints handling	√	X	√	X	√	Х	√	X	√	√
Risk warnings	√	Х	√	X	√	Х	X	X		√
Disclosure of fees	\checkmark	X	√	X	X	Χ	X	X	√	· √
Appropriateness & suitability assessments	Х	Х	Х	X	√	Х	X	Х	√	√ V
Marketing & promotions	√	√	√	X	√	Х	X	X	Χ	√
Consumer protection	Χ	Х	X	X	\checkmark	Х	√	X	Χ	√
Record-keeping	\checkmark	V	√	X	V	Х	Х	√	\checkmark	\checkmark
Outsourcing	√	X	√	√	√	Х	Х	√	√	√

¹ Provisions for most of the sections reviewed were not included in Estonia's ML/TF Prevention Act, which is the relevant legislation for VASPs.

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Data protection	√	X	√	√	X	X	Х	Х	√	V
Prudential requirements										
Regulatory capital requirements	√	√	√	X	√	Х	√	√	√	√
Insurance	\checkmark	\checkmark	√	X	\checkmark	Х	Х	√	√	√
Stress testing	√	Χ	V	X	\checkmark	Х	Х	Х	Х	V
Risk Management										
Framework	V	$\sqrt{5}$	V	\checkmark	V	Х	Х	Х	$\sqrt{6}$	V
Customer due diligence	√	√	√	√	√	Х	√	√	√	√
Transaction monitoring	√	√	√	√	√	Х	Х	√	√	√
AML/CFT	X	√	√	√	√	Х	Х	X	√	√
Business continuity	√	Χ	√	X	√	Х	Х	√	√	√
Internal controls	√	Х	Х	Х	√	Х	Х	√	V	√
Reporting										
Annual accounts	X	Х	√	Х	√	Х	√	Х	√	√
Other reporting	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	X	√
IT & Cybersecurity										
Cybersecurity for regulated entities	V	X	√	X	√	X	Х	√	V	V

² The regime for non-security VASPs is still to come into force, for this reason, reliance was placed on general rules/guidance/codes applicable to investment services.

³ Some provisions were either unavailable, or an English translation was unavailable.

⁴ As proposed in Rule and SOG.

⁵ No sector-specific guidance on AML for VASPs in The Bahamas. General rule, or general guidance available.

⁶ No sector-specific guidance on AML for VASPs in Malta. General rule, or general guidance available.

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Independent assessments of tests	Χ	Х	V	Х	V	Х	Х	Х	Х	X
Virtual Asset Custody Services										
Custody	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Asset segregation (fiat)	√	X	√	Χ	√	Х	X	X	X	√
Asset segregation (crypto)	√	X	\checkmark	Χ	\checkmark	Х	√	√	Х	√
Reconciliation	\checkmark	X	\checkmark	Χ	\checkmark	Χ	X	X	\checkmark	\checkmark
Management of private keys	\checkmark	X	\checkmark	Χ	\checkmark	Х	X	X	X	√
Virtual Asset Trading Platforms										
Market integrity	\checkmark	\checkmark	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	X	\checkmark	\checkmark
Pricing	\checkmark	X	X	Χ	X	Х	Х	X	X	√
Clearing and Settlement	V	Х	X	X	Х	X	Х	X	√	√
Listing rules (including types of VAs)	\checkmark	√	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√