

# UK Finance Financial Abuse Code of Practice

Gender Equality · Good practice · United Kingdom

Quality score: 52/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

## Summary

Born from a 2015 Refuge/Co-op Bank campaign, UK Finance's Financial Abuse Code has banks train staff and refer survivors to support. By 2025, 33 signatories covered 49 brands and 90% of UK mortgages, though only 15% of survivors report abuse to their bank.

## Key dimensions

| Dimension                       | Score |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Transferability / replicability | 2/3   |
| Impact on gender equality       | 1/1   |
| Effectiveness                   | 0/1   |
| Efficiency                      | 0/1   |
| Evaluated outcomes              | 0/1   |
| Sustainability                  | 1/1   |
| Achievement / evidence          | 1/1   |
| Gender-mainstreaming embedding  | 1/1   |
| Curator validation              | 0/1   |

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## Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-11

[UK Finance \(with Refuge and The Co-operative Bank\)](#) — accessed 2026-07-11

[UK Finance – 90% of mortgage lending now covered by the Financial Abuse Code](#) — accessed 2026-07-11

[Refuge – 8.7 million people report experiencing economic abuse](#) — accessed 2026-07-11

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