

REPORT OF THE ADJUDICATOR

Complaint reference number: 16635

WASPA member(s): Viamedia

Membership number(s): 0043

Complainant: Public

Type of complaint: Subscription Services

Date complaint was lodged: 2012-03-06

Date of the alleged offence: N/A

Relevant version of the Code: 11.6

Clauses considered: 11.10.2 & 14.3.14

Relevant version of the Ad. Rules: N/A

Clauses considered: N/A

Related cases considered: N/A

Complaint

The Complainant in this matter requested proof of subscription and a refund.

The Complainant in its reply to the SP's response then raised the issue that the fact that it was a child places it in a different category.

Service provider's response

The SP provided a response whereby it furnished the Complainant with a detailed log of the subscription request and subsequent reminder messages

The SP then further explained its terms and conditions and the required age.

Sections of the Code considered

- 11.10.2. When requested to do so by WASPA, a member must provide clear logs for any subscription service customer which include the following information:
- (a) proof that the customer has opted in to a service or services;
- (b) proof that all required reminder messages have been sent to that customer;
- (c) a detailed transaction history indicating all charges levied and the service or content item applicable for each charge; and
- (d) any record of successful or unsuccessful unsubscribe requests.
- 14.3.14. On the basis of the evidence presented, the adjudicator will decide whether there has been a breach of the Code. Each case will be considered and decided on its own merits.

Decision

In adjudicating a matter the Adjudicator has to rely on the information submitted and hence presented to him/her. The Adjudicator has taken note of the Complaint and the SP's subsequent reply.

The Complainant has failed to provide any sufficient content or any material for that matter to provide the Adjudicator with any sufficient information assisting him or her to make a decision in the Complainant's favour.

The Adjudicator therefore has no alternative but to concur with the SP's response in as far as it contended the actual subscription of the Complainant by way of the logs that were supplied and can't deem a refund justifiable.

The Adjudicator is therefore in no position to consider the allegations raised against the SP in this matter as no further evidence was forthcoming with the new allegations.

The Complaint is dismissed.

The SP is however reprimanded for its failure to comply with section 11.10.2 c).