

# LICENSING EXAMINATION STUDY OUTLINE

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### Module 19B Advisory Services (Rules and Regulations) -Part B

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# STUDY OUTLINE MODULE 19B: ADVISORY SERVICES (RULES AND REGULATIONS) - PART B

This examination is designed to test candidates' knowledge and understanding of the rules and regulations governing the advisory services in the Malaysian capital market. Candidates will need to pass this examination together with Module 19A: Advisory Services (Rules and Regulations) - Part A to be considered as having completed the rules and regulations examinations:

- (1) for an application for a Capital Markets Services Representative's Licence (CMSRL) to carry on the regulated activity of Advising on Corporate Finance; or
- (2) for those who intend to be employees of registered persons who carry out the capital markets activities as stipulated in Item 2, Part 1 of Schedule 4 of the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007.

Candidates are advised to refer to the Licensing Handbook for the detailed combination of examinations required for the relevant regulated activity.

Candidates are expected to possess good knowledge and understanding of the subject matter provided in the study outline and specified references. In addition, candidates are expected to have relatively strong capability in the application, analysis and evaluation of information in this study outline and its references. It is estimated that this module will require a minimum of 80 hours of study time. Candidates may need less or more depending on the education background and work experience.

Candidates are expected to update themselves with the latest changes relevant to this examination as all questions will be continuously updated to reflect these changes. Candidates are permitted to refer to their own prescribed reference materials during the examination. Note that no prescribed reference materials will be provided by the Securities Industry Development Corporation (SIDC). The prescribed reference materials brought into the examinations by candidates are subject to the terms and conditions of SIDC, details of which are set out in the terms and conditions of the SC licensing examinations.

Candidates are required to comply with the terms and conditions of the SC licensing examination. Severe penalties will be taken against candidates for any misconduct during the examination.

At the end of this study outline are 2 sample questions of various formats used in the Module 19B examination. The samples provided do not in any way reflect the level of difficulty or the subject-matter distribution of the actual examination. They are merely intended to familiarise candidates with the styles of multiple-choice questions used in the examination.

#### **EXAMINATION STRUCTURE**

Details of the examinations are as follows:

Type of Questions	Multiple-Choice		
Number of Questions	30 questions		
Passing Mark	70%		
Time Allocated	60 minutes		
References /Text	Study Guide  eGuide Module 19: Legal Considerations and Code of Conduct		
	<ol> <li>Prescribed Reference Material</li> <li>Equity Guidelines</li> <li>Guidelines on Submission of Corporate and Capital Market Product Proposals</li> <li>Asset Valuation Guidelines</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>Prospectus Guidelines</li> <li>Guidelines on Issuance of Corporate Bonds and Sukuk to Retail Investors</li> <li>Guidelines on Unlisted Capital Market Products under the Lodge and Launch Framework</li> <li>Guidelines on Islamic Capital Market Products and Services</li> <li>Issuer Eligibility Guidelines- Structured Warrants</li> <li>Guidance Note on Provision of Investment Advice</li> </ol>		

#### **REFERENCES**

The relevant references (acts and guidelines) for this examination can be obtained from Securities Commission Malaysia website at <a href="www.sc.com.my">www.sc.com.my</a> and eGuides can be purchased from <a href="www.sidc.com.my">www.sidc.com.my</a>.

#### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

Candidates are expected to have good knowledge, understanding and ability to apply in the following areas:

- The regulations governing the issue and offer of equity securities under the Securities Commission's Equity Guidelines
- The regulations setting out the Securities Commission Malaysia's (SC) expectations in respect of the standards that must be observed by the parties involved in the preparation of proposals made to the SC and the obligations they must comply with
- The regulations governing valuations of property assets in conjunction with corporate proposals for submission to the Securities Commission or for inclusion in prospectuses and circulars
- The regulations governing the issuance and registration of prospectuses
- The regulations governing the issue, subscription, purchase, invitation to subscribe or purchase corporate bonds or sukuk to retail investors
- The regulations that must be observed for the purposes of exclusively making available unlisted capital market products to sophisticated investors in Malaysia or persons outside Malaysia
- The regulations governing the issuers of structured warrants

#### **EXAMINATION SYLLABUS**

The syllabus for this examination is divided into 2 sections and the maximum composition of questions from each section is as follows:

Section	Composition of Questions (Maximum)	Number of Questions (Maximum)		
Section 1	60%	18		
Section 2	80%	24		

Details of the syllabus are as below:

#### **SECTION 1**

#### **EQUITY GUIDELINES**

Part III: Submission and Implementation

Chapter 9: Submission of Proposals

Chapter 10: Implementation of Proposals

Part IV: Appendices
Part V: Schedules
Part VI: Guidance

#### GUIDELINES ON SUBMISSION OF CORPORATE AND CAPITAL MARKET PRODUCT PROPOSALS

Chapter 1: Introduction
Chapter 2: Applicability

Chapter 3: Related Provisions

Chapter 4: Definitions

**Chapter 5:** Obligations of a Submitting Party

Chapter 6: Obligations of a Submitting Party, Senior Officer and Qualified Person for

Submission of a Specific Proposal

**Chapter 7:** Obligations of Advisers in a Proposal

Chapter 8: Obligations of an Applicant in a Proposal

**Appendices** 

#### PROSPECTUS GUIDELINES

Part I General Requirements

Chapter 1 : General
Chapter 2 : Definitions

#### Part II Contents of Prospectus

Division 1 : Equity

Chapter 1 : Introduction

Chapter 2 : Prospectus Summary
Chapter 3 : Details of Offering

Chapter 4 : Information on Promoters, Substantial Shareholders, Directors, Key

Senior Management and Key Technical Personnel

Chapter 5 : Information on the Corporation

Chapter 6 : Risk Factors

Chapter 7 : Related Party Transactions

Chapter 8 : Conflict of Interest
Chapter 9 : Financial Information

Chapter 10: Reports by the Reporting Accountants

Chapter 11 : Expert's Reports

Chapter 12 : Additional Information

Chapter 13 : Documents Available for Inspection

Chapter 14 : Application for Shares

Chapter 15 : Specific Requirements for an Infrastructure Project Corporation
Chapter 16 : Specific Requirements for a Special Purpose Acquisition Company
Chapter 17 : Specific Requirements for a Corporation with MOG Exploration or

**Extraction Assets** 

#### Division 1A : ASEAN Equity Disclosure Standards

Part I : Identity Of Directors, Senior Management, Advisers, Agents And Other

**Independent Third Parties** 

Part II : Offer Statistics And Expected Time Table

Part III : Key Information

Part IV : Information On The Issuer

Part V : Operating And Financial Review And Prospects
Part VI : Directors, Senior Management And Employees

Part VII : Major Shareholders, Related-Party Transactions And Conflicts Of

Interest

Part VIII : Financial Information
Part IX : The Offer And Listing
Part X : Additional Information

Division 2 : Corporate Bonds and Sukuk

Chapter 1 : General

Chapter 2 : Cover Page

Chapter 3 : Inside Cover/First Page

Chapter 4 : Time Table and Corporate Directory

Chapter 5 : Information on the Corporate Bonds or Sukuk

Chapter 6 : Risk Factors

Chapter 7 : Information About Issuer/Substantial Shareholders/Directors/Key

Management Personnel/Guarantor

Chapter 8 : Financial Information

Chapter 9 : Related-party Transactions/Conflict of Interest Chapter 10 : Rights of Holders of Corporate Bonds or Sukuk

Chapter 11: Information Relating to Bond/Sukuk Trustee and Trust Deed

Chapter 12 : Expert's Reports

Chapter 13 : Documents Available for Inspection

Chapter 14 : Application for Corporate Bonds or Sukuk

# Division 2A: ASEAN Debt Securities Disclosure Standards including Additional Requirements for an ASEAN Debt Issuance Programme

Introduction: Plain Debt Definition

Part I : Identity Of Directors, Senior Management, Advisers, Agents And Other

**Independent Third Parties** 

Part II : Description Of The Plain Debt Securities

Part III : Risk Factors

Part IV : Markets

Part V : Information About The Public Offering

Part VI : Taxation

Part VII : Key Information

Part VIII : Information About The Issuer

Part IX : Operating And Financial Review And Prospects
Part X : Directors, Senior Management And Employees

Part XI : Major Shareholders, Related-Party Transactions And Conflicts Of

Interests

Part XII : Interests Of Experts, Counsel, Underwriters, Shariah Advisers And

Financial Advisers

Part XIII : Financial Information
Part XIV : Additional Information

Part XV : Additional Requirements For An Asean Debt Issuance Programme

Division 3 : Structured Warrant

Chapter 1 : Introduction

Chapter 2 : Cover Page, Inside Cover/First Page, Timetable, Definitions and

**Corporate Directory** 

Chapter 3 : Prospectus Summary

Chapter 4 : Information on the Issuer

Chapter 5 : Market Making

Chapter 6 : Conflict of Interest

Chapter 7 : Terms and Conditions of the Structured Warrants

Chapter 8 : Information on the Underlying Financial Instruments

Chapter 9 : Risk Factors

Chapter 10 : Approvals and Conditions

Chapter 11 : Expert's Statements/Reports

Chapter 12 : Documents Available for Inspection

Chapter 13 : Application for Structured Warrants

Division 5 : Abridged Prospectus

Chapter 1 : Cover Page

Chapter 2 : Summary of Rights Issue

Chapter 3 : Details of Rights Issue

Chapter 4 : Risk Factors

Chapter 5 : Financial Information

Chapter 6 : Shareholders' Undertakings and Underwriting Arrangements

Chapter 7 : Specific Classes of Securities, Where Applicable
Chapter 8 : Application for Securities and excess Applications

Chapter 9 : Additional Information on the Corporation, Expert's Report and

Documents Available for Inspection

Division 6 : Supplementary and Replacement Prospectus

Chapter 1 : General

Chapter 2 : Contents of a Supplementary Prospectus
Chapter 3 : Contents of a Replacement Prospectus

#### Part III Procedures for Registration

Chapter 1 : Prospectus under Division 1 and 1A of Part II (Equity)

Chapter 2 : Prospectus under Division 2 and 2A of Part II (Corporate Bonds and

Sukuk)

Chapter 3 : Prospectus under Division 3 of Part II (Structured Warrants)

Chapter 5 : Prospectus under Division 5 of Part II (Abridged Prospectus)

**Appendices** 

#### Part IV Prospectus Related Guidelines

Division 1 : Plain Language Guide for Prospectuses

Division 2 : Electronic Prospectus and Electronic Application

Division 3 : Advertising Guidelines

Appendices

#### SECTION 2

#### **ASSET VALUATION GUIDELINES**

#### Chapter 3: Appointment of Valuer

Right of Appointment

Eligibility Requirements for Firm

General and Continuing Obligations

Independence of Valuer

Conflict of Interest

**Professional Duty** 

Declaration

#### Chapter 4: Valuation

Basis of Valuation

Use of Assumptions

Breaches of Relevant Laws and Regulations

Valuation Approach and Methods of Valuation

Comparison Approach

Cost Approach

Income Capitalisation Approach

#### Chapter 7: Requirements for Valuation of Specific Property Assets

Part A: Valuation of Plant, Machinery and Equipment

Part B: Valuation of Development Property

Part C: Valuation of Joint Venture Interests

Part D: Forest Assessment Report

#### Chapter 8: Submission of Report

Procedures in Submitting Valuation Report

Valuation Report Checklist

Content of Submission of Valuation Reports for Property Assets

Fees and Charges

#### **Schedules**

#### GUIDELINES ON ISSUANCE OF CORPORATE BONDS AND SUKUK TO RETAIL INVESTORS

#### Part A: General

Chapter 1: Introduction
Chapter 2: Definitions

Chapter 3: Responsible Party

#### Part B: Requirements for Issuance of Corporate Bonds and Sukuk

Chapter 4: Eligibility

Chapter 5: Rating Requirements

Chapter 6: Trustee and Trust Deed Requirements

Chapter 7: Implementation Time Frame

Chapter 8: Utilisation of Proceeds

Chapter 9: Mode of Issuance

Chapter 10: Other Regulatory Approvals and Compliance with Relevant Laws and Guidelines

#### Part C: Approval for Issuance of Corporate Bonds and Sukuk

Chapter 11: Approval

Chapter 12: Continuous Disclosure Obligations

Chapter 13: Revision to Principal Terms and Conditions

#### Chapter 14: Submission to the SC

#### Part E: Requirements under Qualified Issuer Framework

Chapter 20 : Corporate Bonds and Sukuk under the Qualified Issuer Framework

Part F : Additional Requirements for Issuance of Specific Bonds and Sukuk

Chapter 21 : Sustainable and Responsible Investment (SRI) Sukuk

Chapter 22 : ASEAN Bonds and Sukuk

Chapter 23 : Sustainable and Responsible Investment-Linked (SRI-linked) Sukuk

Chapter 24 : ASEAN Sustainability-Linked Bonds and Sukuk

**Appendices** 

# GUIDELINES ON UNLISTED CAPITAL MARKET PRODUCTS UNDER THE LODGE AND LAUNCH FRAMEWORK

#### Section A: General Requirements

Chapter 1: Introduction
Chapter 2: Definitions

Chapter 3: Responsible Party

#### Section B: Specific Requirements

#### **Part 2: Structured Products**

Chapter 1: General
Chapter 2: Structure
Chapter 3: Lodgement

Chapter 4: Continuous Obligations

Chapter 5: Revision

#### Part 3: Corporate Bonds and Sukuk

Chapter 1: General
Chapter 2: Structure

Chapter 3: Specific Requirements Applicable to Foreign Currency-denominated Corporate

Bonds or Sukuk and NIDs or INIDs

Chapter 4: Lodgement

Chapter 5: Continuous Obligations

Chapter 6: Revision

Chapter 7: Sustainable and Responsible Investment (SRI) Sukuk

Chapter 8: ASEAN Bonds and Sukuk

Chapter 9: Sustainable and Responsible Investment-Linked (SRI-linked) Sukuk

Chapter 10: ASEAN Sustainability-Linked Bonds and Sukuk

#### Part 4: Asset-Backed Securities

Chapter 1: General

Chapter 2: Structure

Chapter 3: Lodgement

Chapter 4: Continuous Obligations on Primary Collateralised Loan Obligations (CLO)

Transactions

**Appendices** 

#### Section D: Transitional Provisions

Chapter 1: General

Chapter 3: Structured Products

Chapter 4: Corporate Bonds and Sukuk

## Lodgement Kit: Unlisted Capital Market Products under the Lodge and Launch Framework Introduction

#### Part 2: Structured Products

Section 1: Lodgement Form - Structured Product Programme

Section 2: Pre-issuance Notification - Structured Product Series under a Structured Product

Programme

Section 3: Monthly Post-Issuance Report

#### Part 3: Corporate Bonds and Sukuk

Section 1: Lodgement Form for Corporate Bonds or Sukuk

Section 2: Post-issuance Notice for Corporate Bonds or Sukuk

Section 3: Lodgement Form for Foreign Currency-Denominated Corporate Bonds or

Sukuk Through a Roadshow

Section 4: Post-Issuance Notice for Foreign Currency-Denominated Corporate Bonds

Or Sukuk Through A Roadshow

Section 5: Lodgement Form for Negotiable Instruments of Deposit (NIDs) or Islamic

Negotiable Instruments of Deposit Programme (INIDs)

Section 6: Post-Issuance Notice for NIDs or INIDs

Section 7: Information and Documents To Be Submitted To The SC For Post-

Issuance Revision

#### Part 4: Asset-Backed Securities

Section 1: Lodgement Form for ABS

#### **GUIDELINES ON ISLAMIC CAPITAL MARKET PRODUCTS AND SERVICES**

Chapter 1 : Introduction
Chapter 2 : Applicability
Chapter 3 : Definition

Part A : Requirements for Islamic Capital Market Services

Section I : Shariah Adviser
Chapter 4 : Introduction
Chapter 5 : Registration

Chapter 6 : Roles and Responsibilities of Shariah Adviser

Chapter 7 : Continuous Obligations

Chapter 8 : Conduct Requirements for Shariah Adviser
Chapter 9 : Refusal of Registration and Deregistration

Chapter 10 : Submission of Application

Part B : Additional Requirements for Islamic Capital Market Products

Chapter 21 : Introduction

Section I : General Requirements

Chapter 22 : Compliance with Shariah Rulings, Principles and Concepts

Chapter 23 : Shariah Adviser

Chapter 24 : Employees and Compliance Officer

Section II : Additional Requirements Applicable to Specific Islamic Capital Market

**Products** 

Chapter 25 : Introduction

Subsection A : Sukuk, Islamic Convertible Notes and Islamic Structured Product

Chapter 26 : Ringgit-Denominated Sukuk

Chapter 27 : Islamic Convertible Notes to Specific Registered Person

Chapter 28 : Islamic Structured Product

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#### **ISSUER ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES - STRUCTURED WARRANTS**

1.0 General

2.0 Eligible Issuers of Structured Warrants

3.0 Requirements on Issuers

4.0 Supervisory Action

5.0 Submission of Declaration

Appendix
GUIDANCE NOTE ON PROVISION OF INVESTMENT ADVICE
Part I
Introduction
Part II
General

Schedules

Illustrations

#### SAMPLE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

#### Sample Question 1

Issuance of Islamic Securities involving a partnership arrangement between two or more parties to finance a business venture whereby all parties contribute capital either in the form of cash or in kind for the purpose of financing the business venture. Any profit derived from the venture will be distributed based on a preagreed profit sharing ratio, but a loss will be shared on the basis of capital contribution.

The above describes the Islamic principle of:

(A)	Musharakah	(C)	Murabahah
(B)	Mudharabah	(D)	Istisna'

#### Sample Question 2

Which of the following submitting parties are eligible to submit all types of corporate proposals (other than specific proposals)?

- (i) Investment banks
- (ii) Universal brokers
- (iii) 1+1 brokers
- (iv) Special scheme brokers
- (A) (i) and (ii) only
- (B) (iii) and (iv) only
- (C) (i), (ii) and (iii) only
- (D) All of the above

#### **Answers**

Sample Question 1 - A

Sample Question 2 - A