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# **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	<p><b><u>Study Guide</u></b></p> <p>eGuide Module 19: Legal Considerations and Code of Conduct</p> <p><b><u>Prescribed Reference Material</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Equity Guidelines</li> <li>2. Guidelines on Submission of Corporate and Capital Market Product Proposals</li> <li>3. Asset Valuation Guidelines</li> <li>4. Prospectus Guidelines</li> <li>5. Guidelines on Issuance of Corporate Bonds and Sukuk to Retail Investors</li> <li>6. Guidelines on Unlisted Capital Market Products under the Lodge and Launch Framework</li> <li>7. Guidelines on Islamic Capital Market Products and Services</li> <li>8. Issuer Eligibility Guidelines- Structured Warrants</li> <li>9. 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 [www.sc.com.my](http://www.sc.com.my) and eGuides can be purchased from [www.sidc.com.my](http://www.sidc.com.my).

## 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

Appendix 1-11

## **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
Schedules	
Appendix	

## **GUIDANCE NOTE ON PROVISION OF INVESTMENT ADVICE**

### **Part I**

#### **Introduction**

### **Part II**

#### **General**

#### **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:

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|----------------|---------------|
| (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