

Guiding Note on Editorial Package Securities and Derivatives Market Data (for real-time data vendors)

PURPOSE

HKEX Information Services Limited (“HKEX-IS”) understands that some information vendors (“IVs”) may have internal editorial/news teams to provide financial news or commentary services as supplementary or value-added services to their market data products. These editorial/news teams may require the access of real-time HKEX market data. In an effort to support the news reporting functions of IVs and encourage wider coverage of the HKEX market data, HKEX-IS introduced an “Editorial Package” under which the use of real-time market data by IVs would enjoy a discount on monthly subscriber fees. Detailed terms and conditions of the Editorial Package are listed below.

DETAILS

IV can apply for special discounts on units employed by their internal news teams as shown in the table below:

Regular Subscriber Fees per Datafeed	Discounted Monthly Fee for Editorial Units	
	No. of Subscriber Units	Monthly Fee Applicable
1. Securities Market Data Max. HK\$200	The first 5 units: The 6 th unit and onwards*:	Free of charge \$60 per unit for Level 1 data \$100 per unit for Level 2 data
	Subject to a monthly cap of \$8,000 per IV	
2. Derivatives Market Data Max. HK\$75	The first 5 units: The 6 th unit and onwards*:	Free of charge \$13 per unit for data without price depth \$38 per unit for data with price depth
	Subject to a monthly cap of \$8,000 per IV. For IVs that also subscribe real-time Securities Market Data mentioned in item 1 above, HKEX-IS shall waive the charge for Derivatives Market Data on the Editorial Units already approved for the Securities Market Data.	
* The discounted subscriber fees for this Editorial Package will be subject to a monthly cap of \$8,000 per IV.		

Detailed terms and conditions of the Editorial Package are set out below:

- IV Eligibility:** The Editorial Package is applicable to IV who offers real-time securities market data and/or derivatives market data services in the market. IV who provides delayed market data services only are not eligible for the Editorial Package.

2. Internal Editorial Usage: Subscriber units for news or editorial usage (“the Editorial Units”) are units employed for the sole purpose of providing news reporting or commentary services by the IV’s internal news or editorial teams and should be located within the IV’s premises. For the purpose of the Editorial Package, related companies of the IV who are eligible and have received approval from HKEX-IS for redistributing Securities Market Data and/or Derivatives Market Data under the same Market Data Vendor Licence Agreement (“the Agreement”) are also eligible for the Editorial Package. For mobile units such as pager, mobile phones, PDA or internet services that need to be taken out of the IV’s premises, the units should always be owned, physically kept and maintained by the staff members of the IV whose core responsibility is to provide news reporting and/or commentary services.
3. Permitted and Sole Purposes: The units should be employed solely for editorial or news reporting and should not be employed directly or indirectly for any other purpose.
4. Prior Notice and Reporting: IV that wishes to enroll in the ‘Editorial Package’ discount program shall notify HKEX-IS in writing, providing the number of units to be claimed and location of these units. If the Editorial Units will be used by a Related Company, IV must also disclose the name of the Related Company with supporting documents proving its relationship with the IV, its business location and its business nature. IV shall also declare and report the actual number of units covered by the Editorial Package in the Monthly Summary Subscriber Report. Report templates will be available from HKEX-IS. Any retrospective claims for benefits under the Editorial Package filed beyond the due date for monthly reporting may not be considered.
5. Proper Internal Record Keeping: IV participating in the Editorial Package is required to keep clear and proper audit trails on usage and location of the Editorial Units for HKEX-IS audit purposes. For mobile Editorial Units, IV must implement proper procedures to establish the true and full identity of each staff who was keeping the Editorial Unit for the IV. Upon request, the IV must be able to demonstrate to the satisfaction of HKEX-IS that the Editorial Units were used for the permitted purposes mentioned above and that the IV is in full compliance with the conditions set out in this guiding note.
6. On-site Inspection: HKEX-IS shall have the right to inspect the internal systems, the records and the actual units of the IV in order to establish that the IV is offering the Editorial Units in accordance with the conditions set out in this guiding note. The IV must be able to demonstrate at the request of HKEX-IS that the Editorial Units and relevant devices are being used, and have only been used for the sole purposes mentioned above. IVs participating in the Editorial Package shall allow HKEX-IS to access the related records and systems promptly upon receipt of the HKEX-IS written request.

HKEX-IS reserves the right to introduce additional conditions, refine or amend any existing conditions and/or withdraw the Editorial Package at any time without prior notice.

HKEX-IS also reserves the right to charge licence fees for the Editorial Units together with interest if, in HKEX-IS’s reasonable belief, the IV is offering the units in violation of the terms and conditions set forth in this guiding note.

If IV wishes to apply for the Editorial Package, please contact the Data Licensing & Policy Team of Market Data Department via MarketData@hkex.com.hk .

If IVs have any questions, comments or doubts regarding monthly reporting and record keeping issues, please contact the Data Client Audit Team of Market Data Department via DataClientAudit@hkex.com.hk .