# The Licensing Examination for Securities and Futures Intermediaries

### **Paper 2** Regulation of Securities

### Syllabus (Effective from 31 July 2017)

#### **Topic 1: Regulatory Framework**

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO") and relevant regulations
- 3 Other relevant laws
- 4 Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC")
- 5 Other relevant regulatory authorities
- 6 Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited
- 7 Overall licensing regime under the SFO
- 8 Types of regulated activity covered in this manual
- 9 Requirements for licensing fitness and properness
- 10 Corporate governance and regulatory supervision
- 11 Provision of information to the SFC

## **Topic 2: Requirements of relevant subsidiary legislation**

- 1 Securities and Futures (Financial Resources) Rules
- Securities and Futures (Client Securities) Rules
- 3 Securities and Futures (Client Money)
  Rules
- 4 Securities and Futures (Contract Notes, Statements of Account and Receipts) Rules
- 5 Securities and Futures (Keeping of Records) Rules
- 6 Securities and Futures (Accounts and

#### Audit) Rules

- Rules relating to compensation and insurance
- Securities and Futures (OTC Derivative Transactions - Reporting and Record Keeping Obligations) Rules
- Securities and Futures (OTC Derivative Transactions - Clearing and Record Keeping Obligations and Designation of Central Counterparties) Rules

### Topic 3: Management and supervision of securities business

- Duties and liabilities of responsible officers and executive officers
- 2 Code of Conduct for Persons Licensed by or Registered with the Securities and Futures Commission ("Code of Conduct")
- Management, Supervision and Internal Control Guidelines for Persons Licensed by or Registered with the Securities and Futures Commission
- 4 Code of Conduct requirements for licensed or registered persons dealing in securities listed or traded on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("SEHK")
- 5 Prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing

## Topic 4: Dealing in securities traded on the SEHK

- 1 Market participants in Hong Kong securities market
- 2 Participantship and trading right
- 3 Products traded on the SEHK
- 4 Trading mechanism and rules
- 5 Trading halt, suspension, cancellation and withdrawal of listing
- 6 Clearing and settlement services
- 7 The SEHK disciplinary procedures

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<b>Topic 5: Other securities activities</b>		***********	
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2	Securities margin financing		
3	Short selling		
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### Topic 6: Exchange traded options and overthe-counter ("OTC") derivatives

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- 2 Participant types and access rights
- 3 Trades monitoring, position limits and reporting requirements
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- 5 Settlement
- B OTC derivatives
- 6 Licensing
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## **Topic 7: Market misconduct and improper trading practices**

- 1 How market misconduct is regulated in Hong Kong
- 2 Market misconduct
- 3 Consequences of market misconduct
- 4 Unsolicited calls
- 5 Improper practices
- 6 SFC Disciplinary Fining Guidelines

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