

**Note of Submission for Review of Textbooks
for the Refined Business Accounting and Financial Studies (BAFS) Curriculum
and Assessment (S4-6)
(released in May 2020; to be implemented in S4 in 2022/23 school year)**

A. Guidelines and Procedures

Publishers should read this Note in conjunction with

- (1) “Seven Learning Goals of Secondary Education”;
- (2) “Guiding Principles for Quality Textbooks” (Revised June 2016);
- (3) “Guidelines on Submission of Printed Textbooks for Review” / “Guidelines on Submission of e-Textbooks for Review” (latest version at the time of submission); and
- (4) “Printed Textbook Writing Guidelines for the Senior Secondary Business, Accounting and Financial Studies Curriculum (Secondary 4-6) (For the refined curriculum to be implemented in S4 in 2022/23 school year)” / “e-Textbook Writing Guidelines for the Senior Secondary Business, Accounting and Financial Studies Curriculum (Secondary 4-6) (For the refined curriculum to be implemented in S4 in 2022/23 school year)” (latest version at the time of submission).

Unless otherwise specified in following paragraphs, publishers should observe the procedures and requirements of submission of BAFS textbooks for review as stipulated in the above-mentioned documents.

B. Updated Curriculum Documents

1. New textbooks should be written to support and with reference to the Refined BAFS Curriculum and Assessment Framework released in May 2020 (To be implemented in S4 in 2022/23 s.y.), which is accessible at:
 - *EDBCM No.74/2020 Direction of Development of the Business, Accounting and Financial Studies Curriculum and Assessment (20 May 2020)*
<https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/technology-edu/whats-new/index.html>
 - *Business, Accounting and Financial Studies (BAFS) Supplementary Notes for Accounting Strand and Business Management Strand (To be implemented in S4 in 2022/23; effective for 2025 HKDSE Examination and onwards)*
<https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/technology-edu/resources/index.html>

2. A lead time of not less than 12 months is given to publishers to write textbooks (printed and e-textbooks) in line with the Senior Secondary BAFS Curriculum (S4-6) refined in May 2020 (To be implemented in S4 in 2022/23 s.y.).

C. Submission Schedule

1. **Before June 2022**, publishers should follow the instructions below if they intend to submit BAFS textbooks for review with respect to the Refined Senior Secondary BAFS Curriculum released in May 2020 (To be implemented in S4 in 2022/23 s.y.).
2. For submission of BAFS textbooks (printed and e-textbooks) for review, **only submission in full set for compulsory part is acceptable.**
3. Textbooks (printed and e-textbooks) should be submitted in the designated period from **23 August 2021 (Monday) to 3 September 2021 (Friday)** for review if the textbooks are targeted to be available for students in **September 2022**.
4. Publishers may consider submitting BAFS printed and/or e-textbooks for Secondary 4-6 in an ordinary submission period after June 2022. The review results for the entry in June to July 2022 will be released in October / November 2022.

D. Release of Textbook Review Results

The review results of both printed and e-textbooks written for the Refined Senior Secondary BAFS Curriculum will be released in **late January 2022** if the textbooks are submitted according to the submission schedule in Part C.

E. Phasing-out of current BAFS textbooks and e-textbooks from the Recommended Textbook List (RTL)

The current BAFS textbooks written based on the previous curriculum documents will be delisted from the RTL in March 2024.

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