

Notes of Submission for Review of Textbooks for the Revised Information and Communication Technology Curriculum (S4-6) (released in 2020)

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” (latest version at the time of submission);
- (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 Information and Communication Technology (Secondary 4-6)” / “e-Textbook Writing Guidelines for Information and Communication Technology (Secondary 4-6)” (latest version at the time of submission).

Unless otherwise specified in following paragraphs, publishers should observe the procedures and requirements for submission of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) textbooks for review as stipulated in the above-mentioned documents.

B. Updated Curriculum Documents

1. New textbooks (printed and e-textbooks) should be written to support and with reference to the Revised ICT Curriculum (S4-6) released in June 2020, which are accessible at:
<https://applications.edb.gov.hk/circular/upload/EDBCM/EDBCM20100E.pdf>
<https://applications.edb.gov.hk/circular/upload/EDBCM/EDBCM20100C.pdf>
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 Revised ICT Curriculum (S4-6).

C. Submission Schedule

1. **Before June 2022**, publishers should follow the instructions below if they intend to submit ICT textbooks for EDB’s review with respect to the Revised ICT Curriculum (S4-6) released in June 2020.
2. For submission of ICT textbooks (printed and e-textbooks) for review, **only submission in full set for the 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 ICT printed and/or e-textbooks for Secondary 4-6 in an ordinary submission period after June 2022.

D. Release of Textbook Review Results

1. The review results of both printed and e-textbooks will be released in **late January 2022** if the textbooks are submitted according to the submission schedule in Part C.
2. The review results will be made based on the assessment of the full set of textbooks for a Key Stage.

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

The current ICT textbooks and e-textbooks written based on the previous curriculum documents will be delisted from the RTL and eRTL in March 2024.

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