

# MEMBERS' HANDBOOK

## Update No. 315

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This Update relates to the following publications in Volume II of Members' Handbook:

1. Issuance of *Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments* (Amendments to HKFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* and HKFRS 7 *Financial Instruments: Disclosures*)

The key areas of the amendments include:

- clarifying the classification of financial assets with environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG) and other similar features;
- clarifying the date on which a financial asset or financial liability is derecognised;
- introducing an accounting policy option to derecognise financial liabilities that are settled through an electronic payment system before settlement date if specified criteria are met;
- clarifying the requirements for classifying financial assets with non-recourse features and contractually linked instruments; and
- additional disclosure requirements regarding investments in equity instruments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income and financial instruments with contingent features, for example, features tied to ESG-linked targets.

The amendments will become effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2026. Earlier application of either all the amendments at the same time or only the amendments related to the classification of financial assets is permitted.

2. HKAS 10 *Events after the Reporting Period* is updated for minor editorial corrections.

### **Document Reference and Title**

### **Instructions**

#### **VOLUME II**

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### **Section 1: Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024**

#### **HONG KONG ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (HKAS)**

#### [HKAS 10 \*Events after the Reporting Period\*](#)

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<b><i>Section 2: Standards issued but not yet effective</i></b>
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**AMENDMENTS TO HKFRS/HKAS**

[Amendments to HKFRS 9 and  
HKFRS 7 Amendments to the  
Classification and Measurements of  
Financial Instruments](#)

Insert Amendments to HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 7  
before Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28