

# Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency

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From : Saudi Arabian Monetary Authority  
To : All Domestic Banks only  
Attention : Managing Directors, Chief Executive Officers and General Managers  
Subject : **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on market risk capital requirements**

In January 2016, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision published the standard "Minimum Capital Requirements for Market Risk". The new standard sets out revised minimum capital requirements for Market Risk and replaces the existing minimum capital requirements for market risk in the global regulatory framework applicable in Saudi Arabia from 1 January 2019.

Since publication, the Committee has received a number of questions on the published standards text and has agreed to periodically review Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and publish answers along with any technical elaboration of the standards text and interpretative guidance that may be necessary to promote consistent global implementation of the standard. This document sets out the first set of responses to questions that have been received.

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