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VIETNAM DIVIDEND GROWTH INDEX**

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HISTORY OF AMENDMENTS

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1.1	- Restructuring of the Ground Rules for management of the VNDIVIDEND version 1.0.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Ground Rules for Vietnam Dividend Growth Index (acronym VNDIVIDEND Index) are issued upon approval by the Vietnam Exchange (VNX), establishing the core principles governing the construction, maintenance, and daily administration of the VNDIVIDEND Index by the Ho Chi Minh Stock Exchange (HOSE) under authority delegated by VNX.
- 1.2. These Ground Rules may be supplemented, amended, or withdrawn in whole or in part at any time. Such amendments, supplements, or withdrawals of the rules may lead to changes in the construction and management of the index or directly affect the index.
- 1.3. All intellectual property rights related to these Ground Rules and the index, including the name, compositions, and calculation methodologies, are owned by VNX and HOSE. Except for cases where permission is not required and exceptions stipulated by the Law on Intellectual Property, any reproduction in whole or in part of these Ground Rules without the prior consent of VNX or HOSE shall be considered a copyright infringement and handled in accordance with the provisions of law.
- 1.4. Unless otherwise specified in these Ground Rules, all related matters shall be governed by the provisions outlined in the Ground Rules for HOSE Equity Indices (the Ground Rules of HOSE Indices).

2. GENERAL INDEX OVERVIEW

- 2.1. The VNDIVIDEND Index is a tradable index, comprising a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 20 constituent stocks selected from VNAllshare Index and meeting the index screening criteria.
- 2.2. The VNDIVIDEND Price Index is calculated based on the free-float adjusted market capitalization method and is subject to capitalization weight capping (for single stocks and groups of stocks in the same sector).

The Price Index is calculated on real-time basis and distributed every 5 seconds during the trading days.

- 2.3. The VNDIVIDEND Total Return Index (VNDIVIDEND TRI) shall be calculated based on the VNDIVIDEND Price Index, reflecting both price movements and the reinvestment of cash dividends from constituent stocks.

The Total Return Index shall be calculated and distributed one time at the end of each trading day.

- 2.4. The base value of the index is set at 1000. The base date of the index is October 31th 2025.

2.5. The constituent list of the index is:

- Reviewed semi-annually in April and October.
- Updated for information (including free-float ratio, the volume of outstanding shares for index calculation, capitalization weight capping factor, and index constituents (if any)) quarterly in January, April, July and October.

Refer to detailed provisions regarding the **Data cut-off date**, **Announcement date**, and **Effective date** for periodic reviews and information updates as specified in the **Definitions** section of the Ground Rules for HOSE Indices.

3. DEFINITIONS

- The VNAllshare basket refers to the current constituent stocks of the VNAllshare Index, as determined under the Ground Rules for VNAllshare Index.
- Free-float adjusted market capitalization (GTVH_f), Free-float ratio (f), Order matching trading value (GTGD_KL), Order Matching Trading Volume (KLGD_KL), the GICS® industry classification standard: Refer to **Definitions** section of the Ground Rules for HOSE Indices.
- Net profit after tax of the latest 04 quarters (LNST_TTM) is calculated as the aggregate of the net profit after tax of the latest 04 quarters with publicly disclosed financial statements.
- Year T refers to the year under review.
- The dividend pay-out ratio relative to the 3-year average (DIVIDEND_RATIO) is defined as the cash dividend paid for fiscal T-2 compared with the average cash dividend paid for the 03 fiscal years immediately preceding the review year (namely T-5, T-4 and T-3). Dividend payment data is recorded based on information disclosed in the official record date announcement.

4. PERIODIC SCREENING OF INDEX CONSTITUENTS

4.1. Periodic index constituent screening steps

Step 1: From the VNAllshare basket as determined at the most recent periodic review, select stocks that satisfy all of the following criteria:

- ✓ Listed on HOSE prior to year T-5;
- ✓ $GTVH_f \geq 2000$ billion VND;
- ✓ Liquidity:
 - $GTGD_KL \geq 8$ billion VND per day and $KLGD_KL \geq 100,000$ stocks per day (for constituents of the previous review period); *or*
 - $GTGD_KL \geq 10$ billion VND per day and $KLGD_KL \geq 200,000$ stocks per day (for non-constituents of the previous review period).

Step 2: From the list of stocks passing Step 1, select stocks with LNST_TTM in the latest 04 quarters, specifically:

At the periodic review in April: LNST_TTM (The fourth quarter of year T-1), LNST_TTM (The third quarter of year T-1), LNST_TTM (The second quarter of year T-1) and LNST_TTM (The first quarter of year T-1) simultaneously positive.

At the periodic review in October: LNST_TTM (The second quarter of year T), LNST_TTM (The first quarter of year T), LNST_TTM (The fourth quarter of year T-1) and LNST_TTM (The third quarter of year T-1) simultaneously positive.

Step 3: From the list of stocks passing Step 2, select constituents that have made continuous cash dividend payments over the 03 fiscal years immediately preceding the two review years (year T-5, year T-4 and year T-3).

Step 4: From the list of stocks passing Step 3, select stocks that satisfy one of the following criteria:

- $\text{DIVIDEND_RATIO} \geq 80\%$ (for constituents of the previous review period); *or*
- $\text{DIVIDEND_RATIO} \geq 100\%$ (for non-constituents of the previous review period).

Step 5: From the list of stocks passing Step 4, determine the official index basket as follows:

** If more than 20 stocks meet the Step 4 criteria:*

Select 20 stocks with the highest DIVIDEND_RATIO (priority shall be given to constituents of the previous review period, and to those with higher GTVH_f when DIVIDEND_RATIO are equal) to the official index basket.

** If between 10 and 20 stocks meet the Step 4 criteria:*

Include all qualifying stocks from Step 4 in the index.

** If fewer than 10 stocks meet the Step 4 criteria:*

Select qualifying stocks from Step 4 and supplement the list by selecting stocks with highest DIVIDEND_RATIO from the list of stocks meeting the conditions in Step 3 (priority shall be given to constituents with higher GTVH_f when DIVIDEND_RATIO are equal) until the official index basket comprises 10 constituents.

4.2. Update of index basket before the Effective Date

The index basket shall continue to be updated, excluding stocks in accordance with the regulations on *Update of index basket before the Effective Date* outlined in the Ground Rules for HOSE Indices.

The replacement of removed stocks shall be conducted similarly to the intra period adjustment prescribed in Section 5.2 of these Ground Rules.

5. INTRA PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS TO INDEX CONSTITUENTS

5.1. The index basket shall be adjusted intra period if it falls under the cases of *Intra Period Adjustments To Index Constituents* specified in the Ground Rules for HOSE Indices.

5.2. The replacement of removed stocks shall be conducted as follows:

5.2.1. If the number of constituents in the index falls below 10, replacement stocks shall be selected in descending order of DIVIDEND_RATIO (priority shall be given to constituents with higher GTVH_f when DIVIDEND_RATIO are equal) from the list of stocks meeting the conditions in Step 3 Section 4.1 at the most recent periodic review, until the official index basket reaches 10 constituents.

5.2.2. If the number of remaining constituents is 10 or more, no replacements shall be added for any removed stocks.

6. INDEX CALCULATION METHODOLOGY

6.1. The VNDIVIDEND Price Index and the VNDIVIDEND TRI are calculated in accordance with the *Price Index Calculation Methodology* and *Total Return Index Calculation Methodology* refer in the Ground Rules for HOSE Indices

6.2. Capping factor of stock (c)

The capping factor of a constituent stock is calculated in accordance with the regulation on the *Capping factor of stock (c)* in the Ground Rules for HOSE Indices.

The capping applied to the index constituent stocks is as follows:

- 15% for single stocks.
- 40% for groups of stocks in the same sector (belonging to the same GICS® Level 1 Industry Group).

6.3. Stock weight adjustment factor (g): Not applicable.

7. CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information regarding index construction methodology, calculation, licensing and data services, please visit the official website or contact the Market Information Department of the Ho Chi Minh Stock Exchange (HOSE).



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