

Japan Security Token Association Corporate Membership Constitution

Chapter 1 - General Rules

Our Purpose

Article 1. The Japan Security Token Association (hereinafter referred to as the “Association”) purpose is to improve the quality of security tokens through our study, research, popularization, and enlightenment activities regarding security token technology, system and businesses. We strive to ensure soundness to the ecosystem using security tokens, and to secure, promote and create opportunities for fair and free economic activities that contribute to stability and improvement to people's lives and the sound development of the Japanese economy.

Our Business

Article 2. The Association operates the following security token related businesses in order to achieve the purpose of the preceding article:

- 1) Collecting knowledge on technology, regulatory framework and businesses
- 2) Activities related to business application & dissemination
- 3) Information distribution and support for related parties
- 4) Holding events such as study groups and seminars
- 5) Consideration of self-regulation proposals
- 6) Relationship with domestic and overseas associations and organizations
- 7) Research on technology

Our Operation

Article 3. Terms about staff, Directors, Board of Directors to be defined separately in the Articles of Association.

Chapter 2 - Membership

Our Members

Article 4. Members of the Association shall be as follows:

- 1) Regular member: Corporations that agree to the purpose and business of the Association, and can contribute to the activities by the Association, as well as pay the regular membership fee stated in Article 9, and are able to send leading staffs to projects by Steering Committees specified in Chapter 3.
- 2) Supporting member: Corporations that agree to the purpose and business of the Association, and can contribute to the activities by the Association, as well as pay the supporting membership fee stated in Article 9 and are able to send staffs to projects by Steering Committees specified in Chapter 3.
- 3) Guest member: Individuals who can contribute to the activities of the Association and agree to the purpose and business by the Association.

Membership Rights

Article 5. Members have the following rights.

<p>Regular Member (Corporate)</p>	<p>Steering Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May become a leader. ○ Have the authority to view materials approved by the Steering Committee, up to 2IDs per membership unit. <p>Slack run by the Association (refer to 1, 2, 3 below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May obtain up to 2IDs per membership unit to participate in the Regular and Supporting Members channels. <p>Public / Private Events hosted by the Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Up to 2 persons per event can participate for free, unless otherwise specified by the Association. <p>Membership Authentication (refer to 4, 5 below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May show the logo of the Association to a third party as a proof of the membership.
<p>Supporting Member (Corporate)</p>	<p>Steering Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May participate as a member. ○ Have the authority to view materials approved by the Steering Committee, up to 1ID per membership unit. <p>Slack run by the Association run Slack (refer to 1, 2, 3 below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May obtain up to 1ID per membership unit to participate in the Supporting Members channel. <p>Public / Private Events hosted by the Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One person per event can participate for free, unless otherwise specified by the Association. <p>Membership Authentication (refer to 4, 5 below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May show the logo of the Association to a third party as a proof of the membership.
<p>Guest Member (Individual)</p>	<p>Slack run by the Association (refer to 1, 2, 3 below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Can join the guest member channel.

- 1) As a principle, Slack must be registered with a true name. However, participation and registration are not mandatory.
- 2) If the member wants to communicate only with specific members using Slack, the member can apply at the Association administrative office for a confidential channel.
- 3) The Association administrative office has the right to view and delete all logs including confidential channels in order to manage Slack.
- 4) When it is judged that the Association logo posted by full and supporting members is incorrect or inappropriate, the Association may ask regular and supporting members to stop posting the logo or request a change to how it is posted.
- 5) The Association can show the logos of regular and supporting members to a third party to prove they are regular or supporting members. However, the posting of the logo can be canceled at any time upon request of regular and supporting members.

Exclusion of Antisocial Forces

Article 6. Eligibility of the membership is as follows:

- 1) The member (including their major investors, officers, and equivalent individuals) of the Association shall pledge not to be a member of antisocial forces, gang members / associate members, members of organized crime groups or people who act against public interests (hereinafter referred to as "Antisocial Forces"), also has not been a part of Antisocial Forces for the last 5 years, and has not been funded or provided help or facility to Antisocial Forces in any way, and pledges not to in the future.

- 2) The member of the Association shall pledge to not individually or use a third party to do violent demanding acts, or threatening behavior regarding transactions, the use of violence, spreading rumors, damages to other party's credibility by using counterfeiting or use of force, or interfere with other party's operations and other similar acts.
- 3) If it is confirmed that the member of the Association violated the statement of paragraph 1 above, or violated the pledge of paragraph 2 above, the Association may dismiss the member. The Association will not be liable for any damages caused by the expulsion.

Membership

Article 7. To obtain membership of the Association, one must apply through the specified membership application form and receive approval from the Member Approval Committee, which is an advisory body to the Board of Directors. Membership is officially recognized upon payment of membership fees (guest members are officially recognized when approved by the Member Approval Committee).

Member Approval Committee

Article 8. The Member Approval Committee shall consist of two or more directors appointed by the Board of Directors.

Membership Fee

Article 9. Each member shall pay the following membership fees that will be used as operating expenses for the Association. The membership fee period will be 12 months, including the month of your membership starting date, and must be a lump-sum payment.

- 1) Regular member: Entrance fee is 1 million JPY (Free for the time being, but the free period could end without notice. The annual membership fee is 480,000 JPY per membership unit.
- 2) Supporting member: No entrance fee. The annual membership fee is 120,000 JPY per membership unit.
- 3) Guest member: No entrance fee and annual fee.

Loss of Membership Qualification

Article 10. If the member falls under any of the following items, they will be deprived of their qualifications.

- 1) When a notice of withdrawal is submitted.
- 2) When the member's company went bankrupt or is in a similar situation, dissolution, received orders to suspend business operations or scheduled to be suspended.
- 3) In the case of an individual member, when the person has died or has been declared missing.
- 4) When the annual membership fee is overdue for more than one year.
- 5) Expulsion of membership.

Withdrawal

Article 11. The member may withdraw by submitting a separate notice of withdrawal specified by the Association.

Expulsion

Article 12. If the member falls under any of the following items, the Association may dismiss the member.

- 1) Violation of this Constitution or any other agreed terms of the Association.
- 2) When there is defamation toward the Association or acts that go against the purpose of the Association.
- 3) As stated in Article 6 paragraph 3, when it is confirmed that the member violated the statements in Article 6 paragraph 1 or violated the pledge in Article 6 paragraph 2.
- 4) When the board of directors of the Association judges that there are other valid reasons to be dismissed.

No Refund of Contributions

Article 13. Membership fees and other contributions already paid to the Association will not be returned. The same shall apply when the member withdraws in the middle of the year in accordance with Article 11.

Chapter 3 - Steering Committee

Technology Steering Committee

Article 14. The Association shall place a Technology Steering Committee. The Technology Steering Committee reviews standard specifications for technologies related to security tokens.

System Steering Committee

Article 15. The Association shall place a System Steering Committee. The System Steering Committee will consider the formulation of self-regulations that may be necessary to operate the security token ecosystem.

Business Steering Committee

Article 16. The Association shall place a Business Steering Committee. The Business Steering Committee will lay out plans for the application and dissemination of security tokens to promote the construction of the security token ecosystem.

Chapter 4 – Working Group

Working Group

Article 17. The Association may form Working Groups. The formation shall be confirmed by the relevant Steering Committees.

Chapter 5 - Intellectual Property

License and Patent

Article 18. Among the security token related information collected by the Association, the information that is judged by the Steering Committees to benefit the public will be disclosed (publicized). However, the leaders of the relevant Steering Committees may request suspension of the disclosure.

Chapter 6 - Others

Changes to Constitution

Article 19. Matters not specified in the Constitution, and changes must be approved by the board of directors.