FII Market Entry Requirements for Japan - JGB exempted account

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| **Important** | Taxable JGB’s are held on omnibus accounts at Citibank Japan. However in order to hold non-taxable book-entry type of JGBs, RBC Investor Services Trust as a Qualified Foreign Intermediary (QFI) is required to maintain segregated securities accounts for non-taxable JGB holdings by each ultimate holder.  To open a segregated account, Tax Operations team will need a POA duly signed by the client and has to submit a Tax Application Form for withholding “Tax Exemption” duly signed by 2 RBC’s authorized signatures in order to identify the ultimate client's description to the Tax Office via the Bank of Japan. Prior to starting this process RBC I&TS as a QFI should verify that the ultimate client is subject to tax exemption criteria.  Note: As part of the FII account opening process all documentation must be in exactly the same investor name and on the investor's letterhead where appropriate. |
| **Fees** | None |
| **Tax Consultant**  **E-signature** | Not Required  Yes |

## Account Opening

**Documentation Required by the Agent**

1. The JGB Exempt Account Declaration must be completed and signed by the client. Scanned copy will suffice.



2. Tax Application Form for JGB exemption

* Tax Operations team will contact the client with the relevant documents to be completed and signed.
* Upon receipt, Tax Operations team will complete and send the signed Tax Application Form for the exemption of the JGB to Citibank Japan.

No documents are required for account opening in Japan. However, it is prudent to hold on records client documents to show the legal existence of the client in case the agent or the country regulator requests it.

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| **Timing** | The market timeframe for opening accounts is 3 business days post completion and acceptance of documents by the agent.  The documents may also be subject to regulatory and KYC checks and additional documents may be requested by the agent/market authorities, which could potentially extend the normal processing time. |
| **Sub-Custodian** | RBC IS appointed Citibank Japan as our agent. Their role is to open and manage the accounts. |
| **Further Details** | Not applicable |

### Account Modification/Name change Requirements

1. Official document showing the change of name

2. Tax Application Form for JGB exemption

* Tax Operations team will contact the client with the relevant documents to be completed and signed.
* Upon receipt, Tax Operations team will complete and send the signed Tax Application Form with the new name to Citibank Japan.

### Account Closure

No documentation required however client should always ensure there are no outstanding trades, corporate actions, fees and holdings prior to sending the closure instruction.

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