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# MSCI CANADA HIGH DIVIDEND YIELD 10% SECURITY CAPPED INDEX METHODOLOGY

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

The MSCI Canada High Dividend Yield 10% Security Capped Index aims to represent the performance of equities in the MSCI Canada Index (excluding REITs) with higher than average dividend yields that are both sustainable and persistent. The Index also applies quality screens and reviews past 12-month price performance to exclude stocks with potentially deteriorating fundamentals that could force them to reduce or eliminate dividends. The Index is free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted with a capping applied at the security level.



## 2 CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING THE MSCI CANADA HIGH DIVIDEND YIELD 10% SECURITY CAPPED INDEX

## 2.1 DEFINING THE ELIGIBLE UNIVERSE

The eligible universe is the MSCI Canada ex REITs Index (the "Parent Index"), which is constructed using the MSCI Canada Index but excludes securities of companies classified as Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts Industry and Mortgage Real Estate Investment Trusts Sub-Industry as per the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS<sup>®</sup>).

## 2.2 APPLYING THE MSCI HIGH DIVIDEND YIELD INDEXES METHODOLOGY

The MSCI High Dividend Yield Indexes methodology is applied on the Parent Index. The resulting constituents selected after the application of the MSCI High Dividend Yield Indexes methodology are weighted based on their free float market capitalization. The capping at issuer level during the constituent weighting is not applied.

For more information on the MSCI High Dividend Yield Indexes methodology, please refer to <a href="https://www.msci.com/index-methodology">https://www.msci.com/index-methodology</a>

## 2.3 APPLYING THE CAPPING

The maximum security weight in the Index is capped at 10% in accordance with the MSCI Capped Indexes methodology<sup>1</sup>. The excess weight of capped security is distributed among the remaining constituents in proportion to their free float market capitalization. The security level capping is applied at Quarterly Index Reviews.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please refer to the MSCI Capped Indexes methodology at <u>www.msci.com/index-methodology</u>



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