

# WHAT IS MARGIN TRADING



## IN 1 SENTENCE ...

It is collateralised financing from a brokerage which you can use to buy more securities than you initially could afford



## HOW DOES IT WORK?

#1: OPEN A MARGIN ACCOUNT



#2: PLEDGE CASH OR SECURITIES AS COLLATERAL



#3: GET UP TO 3.5 TIMES YOUR COLLATERAL VALUE AT DIFFERENT INTEREST RATES

Higher quality securities can get you lower rates



#4: BUY MORE SECURITIES THAN YOUR INITIAL OUTLAY WOULD HAVE PERMITTED

## DID YOU KNOW?

• Maybank Kim Eng provides multi-currency margin financing which can help to manage your foreign exchange exposure. For example, do you trade in Hong Kong and the US? Get a loan directly in HKD or USD.

## YOU DON'T WANT TO GET A MARGIN CALL



## #1: WHEN DOES IT HAPPEN?

When the margin ratio falls below your broker's minimum margin ratio.

**Margin ratio:**  
Total Collateral Value / Financing Amount

## #2: WHAT DO I DO IF I GET A MARGIN CALL?

You will be asked to provide additional collateral to meet the minimum margin ratio or your collateral may be liquidated.



## #3: REMEMBER TO KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR STOCKS

If the stock market slumps, securities that you pledge as collateral will dip in value & you might get that dreaded margin call.

## Potentially Increase Your Yield

Enjoy low margin financing rates with Maybank Kim Eng

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