

Subordinate Legislations and Guidelines of the Act on the Promotion of Competition for Specified Smartphone Software (Mobile Software Competition Act (MSCA))

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Japan Fair Trade Commission

The Japan Fair Trade Commission (JFTC) invited public comments on the drafts of subordinate legislations – Cabinet Order and JFTC Rules – and Guidelines necessary for the enforcement of the Act on Promotion of Competition for Specific Smartphone Software. The public comment period ran from May 15, 2025 to June 13, 2025, with a total of 105 comments submitted.

After careful consideration of the 105 comments, the JFTC has revised and published subordinate legislations and guidelines below ([for details, please refer to the Japanese page here; English materials are tentative translations for reference purposes](#)).

The final guidelines in English are available [here](#), and an overview of the summary of the regulations (Subordinate Legislations and Guidelines) is available [here](#).

The Act will come into full effect on December 18, 2025. The JFTC will continue to prepare for the full enforcement of the Act, including efforts to promote public awareness.