

STRATAGE UPDATES

Amendment to the SEBI AIF Regulations

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The SEBI (Alternative Investment Funds) Regulations, 2015 (“**AIF Regulations**”) have been amended ([available here](#)) and the notification shall come into force with effect from June 16, 2023, unless specified otherwise. An overview of the key changes is set out hereunder:



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- AIFs are now required to *issue units in dematerialised form*, subject to the conditions specified by SEBI from time to time.
- AIFs would have to *obtain fresh certifications* before the expiry of the existing certification.
- The manager of the AIF is now required to appoint a **Compliance Officer**, who would be: (i) responsible for *monitoring compliance* with all the applicable laws; and (ii) required to independently *report any non-compliance* to SEBI maximum *within 7 working days*.
- SEBI has clarified that *in specie distribution of the assets of each scheme* of the AIFs is permitted.
- The manager of an AIF is required to ensure that the AIF *appoints an independent valuer* to conduct the valuation of investments of the scheme of AIFs as specified by SEBI.
- AIFs are permitted to *launch a close ended liquidation scheme* by filing a placement memorandum with SEBI, through a merchant banker, for the purpose of *liquidating the unliquidated investments* purchased from its scheme whose tenure has expired.