

# HSBC Money Market Funds *(Institutional)*

Return completed form to:  
HSBC Funds  
PO Box 8106, Boston MA 02266-8106  
For assistance, call: 1-877-244-2424

## Direct Account Application:

1. Complete a new account application.
2. Include Articles of Incorporation or a Business License, and Corporate Resolution to show Authorized Signers for your organization. These documents should be certified in one of three ways: 1) medallion signature guaranteed, 2) corporate seal, or 3) notary stamp.
3. **For Online Trading Capabilities:** Each user must complete a Remote User System Request Form (Vision), which is attached at the end of this application. Remote processing is only available to authorized traders. Inquiry only access is available to other employees.
4. Fax your completed application, corporate resolution and authorized traders list (if applicable) to: 888-335-1242 or mail the completed application and your check made payable to HSBC Funds ("Funds") in the enclosed postage-paid envelope to us at the above address. **If opening your account via fax, the original documentation is still required to be mailed to the above address in addition to the faxed copies.**
5. After your account is opened, you will receive a confirmation of your investment by mail.

For additional information about the Funds, please contact HSBC Funds at 1-877-244-2424.

## Important Information About Procedures For Opening a New Account

To help the U.S. government prevent the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. What this means for you: When you open an account, you are required to provide your name, residential address, date of birth and identification number. We may require other information that will allow us to identify you.

### 1. Account Registration

**Do not use this form for a retirement account. Contact 1-800-782-8183 to obtain the appropriate forms.**

#### A. Type of Registration *(check one)*

- Public Corporation\* (Symbol) \_\_\_\_\_  Non-Public Corporation\*  Government Entity  
 Individual  Limited Liability Corporation  Other (Specify)\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*Attach a copy of the appropriate articles of incorporation or business license, and corporate resolutions or a list of authorized traders or trust documents establishing authority to open this account. If any such agreements or resolutions are not in existence, please contact HSBC Funds at 1-877-244-2424.

Unless otherwise specified, joint owners are registered as "Joint Tenants with Rights of Survivorship," meaning two persons purchase shares with the desire that the survivor receive total holdings upon the death of the other. All registrants must sign the application.

#### B. Account Information *(For the street address, your physical address is required. P.O. Box is not acceptable.)*

Account Registration/Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tax ID / Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: Business, Number and Street, Residential Apt#/Suite \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address *(If different from above)* (P.O. Box allowed) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Citizenship**  U.S. Citizen  Resident Alien<sup>1</sup>  Non-resident Alien *(Attach IRS Form W-8. Dividends are subject to tax withholding)*<sup>1,2</sup>

Note 1: Additional documentation to establish an account for a non-U.S. citizen may be required.

Note 2: For non-resident aliens, in addition to submitting an IRS Form W-8, the following is required: a taxpayer identification number, passport number and country of issuance, alien identification card number, or number and country of issuance of any other government-issued document evidencing nationality or residence and bearing a photograph or similar safeguard and a copy of the document. Please indicate form of identification:

Alien ID Card  Passport  Other

Alternate Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Issuing Body: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Origin: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Are you a government entity plan or program established by a State or political subdivision or any agency, authority or instrumentality thereof?**

No  Yes

If yes, please identify the government entity and the name of such program or plan which may include, but are not limited to:

- A qualified tuition plan authorized by section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 529),
- A retirement plan authorized by section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 403(b) or 457), or
- Any similar program or plan

Name of Government Entity \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Plan or Program \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Your Initial Investment**

If you wish to invest in more than one Fund, be sure to indicate the amount you wish to invest in each Fund. Please make check payable to the HSBC Funds. Refer to the prospectus for acceptable forms of payment and minimum initial investment amounts. If no share class is selected, you will automatically be invested in the Class I Shares. You may invest only in a Fund for which you have a current prospectus.

Money Market Funds	I	Y	Intermediary		Amount
			Intermediary	Service	
HSBC U.S. Government Money Market Fund	<input type="checkbox"/> **	<input type="checkbox"/> †	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> ^	\$ _____
HSBC U.S. Treasury Money Market Fund	<input type="checkbox"/> **	<input type="checkbox"/> †	<input type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/> ^	\$ _____
<b>Total:</b>					\$ _____

†Requires \$5 million initial investment.  
 ^Requires \$10 million minimum initial investment.  
 \* Requires \$20 million minimum initial investment.  
 \*\*Requires \$25 million minimum initial investment.

**3. Investment Instructions**

Authorized signatories can place a phone order with HSBC Money Market Funds by calling 1-877-244-2424.

The HSBC Money Market Funds trading cut-off times are:

- HSBC U.S. Treasury Money Market Fund 2:00PM Eastern Time
- HSBC U.S. Government Money Market Fund 4:00PM Eastern Time

**The cut-off time for an online order ([www.dstvision.com](http://www.dstvision.com)) is 15 minutes earlier than the above listed time.**

For any initial or subsequent investments into the HSBC Funds, please use the following wiring instructions:

**NORTHERN TRUST**

**ABA Number:** 071000152

**Account Number:** 2739801

**Attn:** HSBC Funds

**Ref. Account Number:** Your Account Number (Received once account is opened)

**Name of Account:** Your Account Name

#### 4. Account Options

**A. Telephone Redemption and Exchange** *(If left blank, you will automatically receive telephone privileges.)*

I elect the telephone privileges as described under the "Shareholder Information" section in the prospectus.  Yes  No

**B. Banking Instructions**

For your convenience, you may authorize HSBC Funds to transfer funds between your bank account and your HSBC Funds account.

We will establish your banking instructions using the investment check you submitted. However, if you wish to establish banking instructions with another bank account, please provide a preprinted voided check or alternate banking instructions.

I authorize you to establish banking instructions.  Yes  No

or

You may authorize HSBC Funds to wire redemptions to your bank account.

I authorize you to establish wiring instructions.  Yes  No

Wiring Instructions: Bank Name \_\_\_\_\_ ABA No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Account Name \_\_\_\_\_ Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Distribution Selection** *(Your dividends and capital gains will automatically be reinvested into your account unless you indicate otherwise.) If you choose to have distributions paid in cash, a wire will be sent to the above Banking Services Instructions.*

Distribution Options:	<u>Reinvest</u>	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Directed</u>	<u>Cash Payment Method</u>
Dividends:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Account # _____	<input type="checkbox"/> ACH (Bank of record)
Capital Gains:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Account # _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Check (Sent to address of record)
				<input type="checkbox"/> Wire (fill out Wiring Instructions below)

I authorize you to establish banking instructions for distributions only.  Yes  No

Wiring Instructions: Bank Name \_\_\_\_\_ ABA No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Account Name \_\_\_\_\_ Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Duplicate Statements & Confirmations** Account statements and transaction confirmations will be sent to the address of record, unless a different address is provided below. Please send duplicate  statements and/or  confirmations to:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

## 5. Tax Certification – US Persons

(See IRS Form W-9 instructions at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov))

- **Important: If you are not a U.S. person DO NOT complete this Tax Certification. Complete IRS Form W-8 instead.**

If the account holder is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity and the sole owner is a U.S. person, provide the sole owner's name and tax identification number (TIN) below and complete this Tax Certification for the sole owner. If the sole owner is not a U.S. person, the sole owner should provide a completed IRS Form W-8.

Sole Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sole Owner's TIN \_\_\_\_\_

- **Federal tax classification** (select appropriate choice):

- Individual/sole proprietor                       C corporation                       S corporation  
 Single-member LLC                       Partnership                       Trust/estate  
 Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) \_\_\_\_\_

Other (see IRS Form W-9 instructions): \_\_\_\_\_

If you are an exempt payee (see IRS Form W-9 instructions), enter your exempt payee code (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

If you are exempt from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting (see IRS Form W-9 instructions), enter your exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ (Not applicable to individuals or required for accounts held in the U.S.)

- **I certify under penalties of perjury that:**

- 1) **The taxpayer identification number shown on this application is correct (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and**
- 2) **I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and**
- 3) **I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined in the IRS Form W-9 instructions at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)); and**
- 4) **The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.**

- **Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return.

## Tax Certification – Foreign Persons

- **Certificate of Foreign Status**

If you are a foreign person and you are the beneficial owner of an amount subject to withholding, whether or not you are claiming a reduced rate of, or exemption from, withholding you must complete a Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E to, among other things:

- Establish that you are a foreign person;
- Claim that you are the beneficial owner of the income;
- Provide your chapter 3 and chapter 4 (FATCA) status as applicable; and
- If applicable, claim a reduced rate of, or exemption from, withholding as a resident of a foreign country with which the United States has an income tax treaty.

**6. Your Signature** (All registered shareholders must sign.)

- By checking this box and signing below, I authorize Boston Financial Data Services (BFDS) to provide my HSBC Bank USA, N.A. Relationship Manager (RM), and staff that supports my account, inquiry access only to my HSBC Funds direct account. Inquiry access will enable my HSBC RM to view the daily balances and transaction history of my account.
- I have received and read the prospectus and Privacy Notice for each Fund selected on this application and I agree to be bound by their respective terms. I have the authority, legal capacity and am of legal age to purchase mutual fund shares. I request that the Funds accept this application and open an account for me in accordance with this application. I authorize and direct the Funds as my agent to purchase and redeem shares in the Funds indicated on this application on my behalf in accordance with the agreement, and I acknowledge that such direction may be in the form of telephone instructions from me. I understand that the investment adviser of the funds is HSBC Global Asset Management (USA) Inc. I understand that shares of the funds are distributed by Foreside Distribution Services, LP, member FINRA, which is not affiliated with HSBC Global Asset Management (USA) Inc.
- **I understand those shares are not guaranteed or insured by the U.S. Government, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other agency. I understand that the shares of mutual funds involve certain risks including the possible loss of principal amount invested; yield fluctuates and is not guaranteed; and there is no assurance that the Funds will maintain a steady net asset value per share price in the future.**
- With the application, I authorize my bank or credit union to accept withdrawals initiated by BFDS from my account for the amount I have designated, without responsibility for the correctness of the agreement or for the existence of any further authorization relating to this contract. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless my bank or credit union, HSBC Funds and Foreside Distribution Services, LP for any loss, liability or expense incurred from acting on these instructions. This authorization may be terminated by me at any time by written notification to BFDS with reasonable time given to implement my request.
- I have received and read the current prospectus(es) and privacy notice for the fund(s) selected, and this Account Registration Form, and agree to be bound by their terms.
- I /We hereby agree to provide the Funds (or their designees) with any documentation or information requested relating to individual or entity tax status. To the extent required by a Fund (or its designee), I/we hereby consent to the disclosure and reporting of any tax related information obtained or held by such Fund to any local or foreign regulatory or tax authority ("Tax Authority"). Upon request by a Fund (or its designee), I/we hereby agree to obtain a written waiver or consent from the entity's "substantial owners" or "controlling persons" and to provide those consents to such Fund (or its designee) to permit it to disclose and report tax and account specific financial information to any local or foreign Tax Authority. The terms "substantial owners" and "controlling persons" shall have the meaning as defined under local or foreign tax laws, regulatory guidance or intergovernmental cooperation agreements. The potential consequences for failure to comply with requests for tax information, failure to respond to requests for waivers or consents for tax information disclosure, and/or failure to respond to requests to obtain waivers or consents from substantial owners or controlling persons, include, but are not limited to: (a) a Fund's right to take whatever actions are necessary to comply with its local or foreign tax reporting obligations; (b) a Fund withholding taxes that may be due from certain payments made to my/our account; (c) the Fund having a right to pay relevant taxes to the appropriate tax authority; (d) a Fund having a right to refuse to provide certain services; and (e) closure of my/our account. I/We agree to inform, or respond to any request from, a Fund (or its designee), if there are any changes to tax information previously provided.
- **A shareholder's property may be transferred to the appropriate state if no activity occurs in the account within the time period specified by state law.**
- **The IRS does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certification required to avoid backup withholding.**

Multiple signers are recommended in the event of primary signer's unavailability or account amendment.  
 Authorized traders list is required at account opening if different from authorized signers listed below.

Provide separate signers lists for any additional authorized signers on the account.

Authorized Signature	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>			
Printed Name	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Date	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	
Title	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Phone #	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	
Authorized Signature	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>			
Printed Name	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Date	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	
Title	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Phone #	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	
Authorized Signature	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>			
Printed Name	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Date	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	
Title	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Phone #	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	

<b>BANK, BROKER-DEALER USE ONLY</b>			
Bank or Broker/Dealer Name	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Broker/Dealer #	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
Branch Address	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Branch #	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
Rep. Name	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Rep. #/User ID	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>

# Vision Remote User System Request

**HSBC Funds**

Fund Name: HSBC Funds – Money Market Funds

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of user: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

System Request Type (check one):

- New User     Change     Delete (These instructions apply to User Name listed above)

System Access Level Required (check one):

- Trading     Inquiry only

Please specify the fund number(s) and account name(s) to associate with this user's access:

Fund Number

Account Name

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By signing this form, the above user agrees to comply with terms of the Funds' prospectus language. The company also agrees to monitor and control the activities of the designated user regarding all Boston Financial Data Services (BFDS) systems and will act accordingly against any misuse of BFDS systems. Furthermore, the company represents that the listed user is permitted to receive customer information on the above referenced account registrations, whether existing or established in the future, pursuant to one of the permitted exceptions to notice and opt out requirements for processing and servicing transactions as outlined in Section 248.14 of Regulation S-P and will only be utilized for such purposes. The use of the system access will comply with Regulation S-P and all other applicable laws and will not be shared with any third party. In consideration for BFDS's actions based on the above instructions, the undersigned company hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless BFDS and its transfer agent, custodian, distributor, other agents and the trustees, officers, employees, and agents thereof with respect to any and all losses, damages, liabilities, claims, reasonable attorney fees, costs or expenses that may be assessed against or suffered or incurred by any of them, howsoever they arise.

New Remote User Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signer for Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please print and sign)*

Fund Officer (Print Name): \_\_\_\_\_

Fund Officer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**BFDS USE ONLY**

TA Risk Management Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Group ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_    New   
Existing