

# MFi Licensee FAQs – 06/02/2014

## What is HomeKit?

HomeKit is a platform designed to enable iOS devices to communicate with home automation accessories via apps that have use HomeKit API's.

## Which MFi Licensees may access the HomeKit specifications?

HomeKit specifications are available to Licensees on either a version 6.2 MFi Manufacturing License or version 6.2 Development License.

## How can I upgrade my current license to a version 6.2 Manufacturing License or a version 6.2 Development License?

Contact your MFi representative via email and request to be upgraded to a version 6.2 MFi Manufacturing or Development License. Please note that a Manufacturing License is only available to companies that own a manufacturing facility. For more information on License types, please refer to the MFi Licensing Handbook, available in the "Program Materials" section of the MFi Portal Document Center.

## Can I access the HomeKit API's through the MFi Portal?

No, in order to access the HomeKit API's, you must be a member of the Apple iOS Developer Program.

## After I execute a version 6.2 Manufacturing or Development License, how soon after should I expect to see the HomeKit specifications?

The HomeKit specifications will be made available to your company's designated Technical Contact(s) in the MFi Portal Document Center within 24 hours of the release of the HomeKit specifications. Please keep an eye on the Portal "Announcements" section for updates.

## What kind of information would I expect to see in the MFi Portal Document Center after I execute a version 6.2 license?

Technical Contacts will see HomeKit Accessory Specifications, a Protocol Overview document and a beta version of the HomeKit Accessory Tester tool in the MFi Portal Document Center after executing a version 6.2 Development or Manufacturing License.

## Will there be a royalty associated with HomeKit accessories?

No, there will not be a royalty associated with HomeKit accessories at this time.

## When can I submit a Product Plan for a HomeKit accessory?

Manufacturing Licensees with an executed version 6.2 License will be able to submit a Product Plan for a HomeKit accessory in the near future. Please keep an eye on the Portal "Announcements" section for updates.