

Cheat Sheet: HubSpot Advanced Quoting Rules

Step-by-step walkthroughs for 7 advanced quoting and pricing scenarios you need to solve to run an efficient sales process in HubSpot.

Don't waste time wrestling with complex quoting scenarios. Use this cheatsheet to reference native solutions using <u>quote•hapily</u> and HubSpot Sales Hub to increase control and consistency across your organization.

- Create price books for specific teams or regions
- 🔯 Apply time-based or seasonal discounts
- X Automatically prevent unauthorized discounting
- Implement multi-level quote approvals
- Automatically add one-time fees
- Automatically calculate (and apply) sales tax
- X Enforce product bundle requirements



"This solves so many different challenges for us internally specifically rule based quote approvals. It is a great balance of having the core things you need, without being over engineered."

Brent Werbeck Director of Revenue Operations at Kisi

Create Price Books For Specific Teams Or Regions

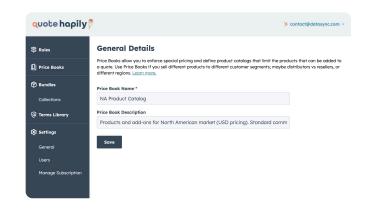
Provide reps with pricing and product access specific to their assigned team or region. This playbook prevents unauthorized quoting while maintaining accurate pricing across different markets and currencies, ensuring clean reporting and streamlined rep workflows.



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Create a team or region specific price book

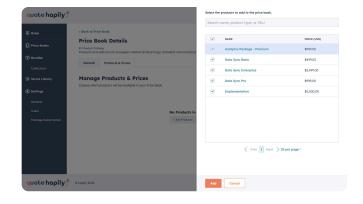
- → Navigate to price books in quote•hapily
- → Create a new price book for each sales team
- → Add descriptive name (e.g. "NA Sales Team Products")
- → Add a description explaining usage



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Associate your existing HubSpot products with price books

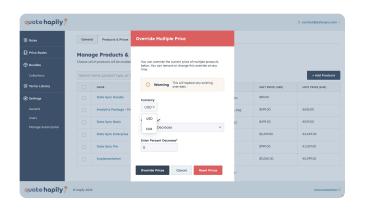
- → Select the products from your HubSpot library
- → Add only products relevant to each specific team



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Apply a currency based price override

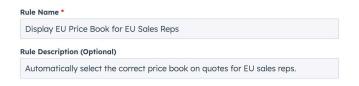
- → For teams who don't use your "standard" pricing in your company currency
- → Click "Override All Prices"
- → Currency: Specify the currency used by appropriate team for this price book
- → Enter Percentage Increase/Decrease: Select the change for this specific team





Create a new quote rule

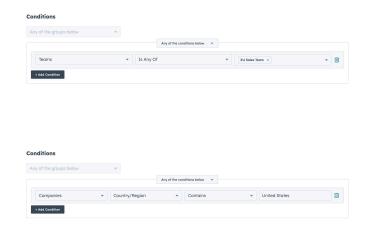
- \rightarrow Name: Display { region } Price Book for { region } Sales Reps
- ightarrow Description: Automatically apply discounts for specific pricing tiers in Q4



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Add conditions to the quote rule

- → Any of the conditions below
- → "Team" IS "{Region} Sales Team"
- Alternatively, use a company property to match the region using:
- → Any of the conditions below
- → "Company" > "Country/Region" > "Contains" > "United States"



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Select quote rule outcome

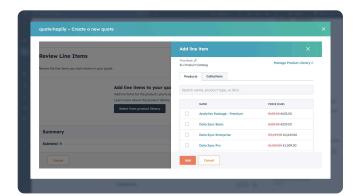
- \rightarrow Set price book (Choose the Price Book to apply to quotes that trigger this rule.)
- → Choose "Price Book Name" eg. "EU Product Catalog"



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Verify your price books by creating a test quote

- → Create test quote using different companies
- → Confirm correct pricing and currencies are
- → Validate that incorrect products are hidden



Multiple teams selling in different regions creates a common challenge in HubSpot. Today you might be creating "hacky" price books for different currencies or teams by duplicating products and changing the price.

Using price books in <u>quote•hapily</u> allows you to use a single product in HubSpot (and maintain clean reporting) while showing the correct product variation and price for each scenario.

→ Structure your price books to match your sales team organization – whether that's by region, business unit, or customer segment – while keeping your product catalog unified for accurate reporting.

- \rightarrow Managing price book membership in HubSpot
- → <u>Learn more about price books in quote•hapily</u>

Apply Time-Based Or Seasonal Discounts

Set up differentiated pricing for different customer segments (wholesale, retail, tier 1 accounts) without duplicating products. This playbook helps maintain clean reporting while automatically applying the right pricing based on customer type.



1

Create a price book for your promotional pricing

- → Create a new price book in quote•hapily
- → Add a descriptive name (e.g., "Q4 Tier 1 Promo Pricing")
- → Add a clear description explaining usage

General Details

Price Books allow you to enforce special pricing and define product catalogs that limit the products that can be added to a quote. Use Price Books if you sell different products to different customer segments; maybe distributors vs resellers, or different regions. Learn more.

Price Book Name •

Q4 Tier 1 Promo Pricing

Price Book Description

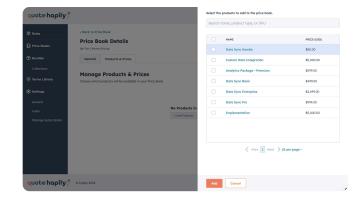
Enter Price Book description

Save

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Add the relevant products to your new price book

ightarrow Click "Add Product" and select from your existing HubSpot products to add them to your price book

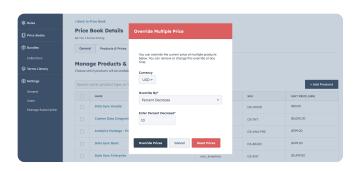


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Add price overrides to apply discounts

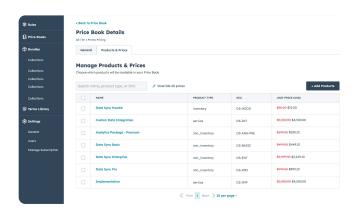
- → Click "Override All Prices"
- → Override by: "Price Decrease"
- → Enter Percentage Decrease: "10%"

You can also select products individually to customize your overrides.



Review your overrides

 \rightarrow You should now see adjusted prices in the price book table based on your overrides.



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Create a new quote rule

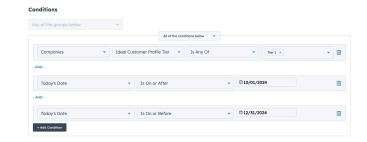
- → Name: Q4 Pricing Promo
- → Description: Automatically apply discounts for specific pricing tiers in Q4.



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Add conditions to the quote rule

- → All of the conditions below
- \rightarrow "Companies" > "Ideal Customer Profile Tier" >
- "Is Any Of" > "Tier 1"
- \rightarrow "Today's Date" > "Is On or After" >
- "10/01/2024"
- \rightarrow "Today's Date" > "Is On or Before" >
- "12/31/2024"



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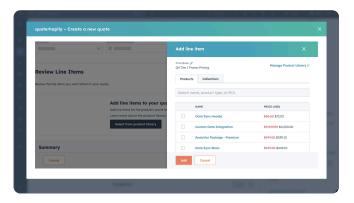
Select a rule outcome

- → Select: Set Price Book
- → Price Book: "Q4 Tier 1 Promo Pricing"
- → Quote rule priority: 1



Verify your price books by creating a test quote

 \rightarrow Confirm correct pricing and currencies are visible



Playbook Insights

Time-based pricing strategies are a powerful tool for driving specific business outcomes, but managing them in HubSpot previously meant creating duplicate products or manual price adjustments – both of which create reporting headaches.

Common Use Cases:

- End-of-period pricing promotions
- Seasonal industry-specific discounts (e.g., education customers in August)
- Limited-time product launch pricing
- Customer segment-specific promos

Consider the full lifecycle of deals in your pipeline. Set date ranges to account for quotes should remain valid beyond the promotional period.

ightarrow Learn more about discounting in quote•hapily

Automatically Prevent Unauthorized Discounting

Implement protective guardrails to prevent unauthorized discounting, out-of-stock sales, and other risky quoting behaviors. This playbook helps maintain pricing consistency and reduce errors across your sales organization through proactive rule enforcement.



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1. Create a new quote rule

→ Name: Guardrail: Block Discounts > 25%

| Rule Name * | | |
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| Guardrail: Block Discounts > 25% | | |
| Rule Description (Optional) | | |
| Prevent quotes being published with discounts greater than 25% | | |

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Add conditions to the quote rule

- → Any of the conditions below
- → "Line Items" > "Discount Percentage" > "Greater Than Or Equal To" > "25"



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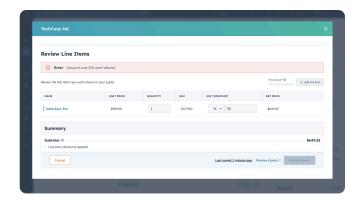
Select a rule outcome

- → Select: Block
- ightarrow Message: Discounts over 25% aren't allowed



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- \rightarrow Create test quote that includes a line item discount of more than 25%
- → Confirm correct pricing and currencies are visible
- → Validate that the quote cannot be published



Unconstrained discounting not only impacts margins but creates inconsistency in how your products are valued in the market.

"Today, it's the wild west and you could do whatever you want in a HubSpot quote...you could go discount anything up to a ridiculous percentage"

Instead of relying on post-quote approvals or manual oversight, automated quote rules prevent unauthorized discounts from being quoted in the first place, saving time and avoiding awkward customer conversations.

Consider creating a tiered approval system (see Playbook #4 below) where smaller discounts can be automatically approved while larger ones trigger your approval workflow.

→ What are quote rules?

Implement Multi-Level Quote Approvals

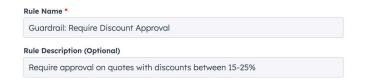
Create sophisticated approval workflows based on quote characteristics like discount level, deal size, or product mix. This playbook ensures proper oversight while maintaining efficient quote processing through automated approval chains and notifications.



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Create a new quote rule in quote-hapily

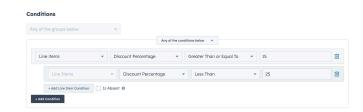
→ Name: Guardrails: Require Discount Approval



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Add conditions to the quote rule

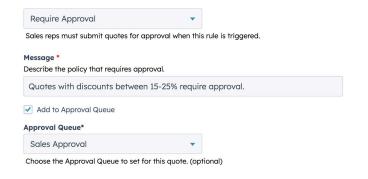
- \rightarrow Any of the conditions below
- → "Line Items" > "Discount Percentage" > "Greater Than or Equal To" > "15"
- → "Line Items" > "Discount Percentage" > "Less Than or Equal To" > "25"



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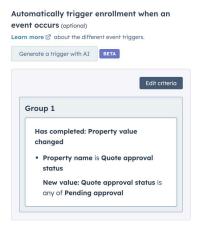
Select a rule outcome

- → Select: Require Approval
- → Message: Quotes with discounts between 15-25% require approval.
- → Checkbox: Check "Add to Approval Queue"
- → Approval Queue: "Sales Approvals"



Create an automated quote based workflow in HubSpot

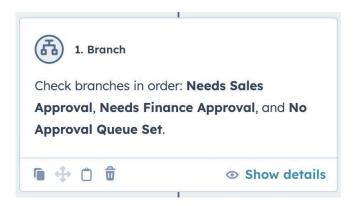
- → Trigger the workflow when an event occurs
- → Has completed: Property value change
- → Property name is Quote approval status
- → New value: Quote approval status is any of Pending approval



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Create a branch and check branches in order

- → Needs Sales Approval: quote•hapily Approval Queue is any of Sales Approval
- → Needs Finance Approval: quote•hapily Approval Queue is any of Finance Approval
- ightarrow No Approval Queue Set: If none of the criteria are met



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Needs Sales Approval Branch

- → Action 1: Use the quote•hapily "Request Quote Approval" workflow action to send the quote for approval to your desired sales approver email address.
- The "Request Quote Approval" action checks all approvals have been accepted before releasing the quote to the next step in the workflow.
- → Action 2: Use the quote•hapily "Publish the Quote" action to publish the quote for prospects.



Needs Finance Approval Branch

- → Action 1: Use the quote•hapily "Request Quote Approval" workflow action to send the quote for approval to your desired finance approver email address.
- → Action 2: Use the "Go To Action" workflow action to route the workflow to the quote•hapily "Publish the Quote" action in the first branch.



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No Approval Queue Set

→ Action 1: Use the "Go To Action" workflow action to route the workflow to the quote•hapily "Publish the Quote" action in the first branch.



Playbook Insights

The approval process in quote•hapily can automatically route quotes based on specific triggers like discount levels or deal size. The system has built in checks for tracking multiple pending approvals and only publishes quotes once all required approvers have signed off, ensuring proper oversight without creating unnecessary delays.

Start with your most common approval scenarios and gradually add complexity as your team adapts to the new process.

- → What are quote rules?
- → <u>Learn about advanced approvals in</u> guote•hapily

Automatically Add One-Time Fees To Quotes

Automatically add one-time fees to quotes based on specific triggers like deal value, product mix, or customer attributes. Perfect for adding support fees, shipping charges, processing fees, or any other conditional charges without manual calculation.



1

Create a new quote rule

→ Name: Add One-Time Percentage Support Fee

| Rule Name * | | | |
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| Add One-Time 10% Percent Fee | | | |
| Rule Description (Optional) | | | |
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Add conditions to the quote rule

- → "Any of the conditions below"
- → "Line Items" > "Product Type" > "Is Any Of" > "Inventory"



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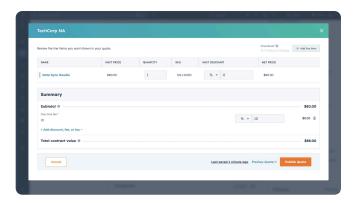
Select a rule outcome

- → Select: Add One-time fee(s)
- → One-Time Fee: 10%



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- → Create test quote that includes a line item with the type "Inventory" line item
- → Confirm a one-time fee with the correct percentage has been added
- ightarrow Verify the total amount of the quote is correct



HubSpot quoting allows for basic line item pricing but businesses often need more sophisticated fee calculations that respond dynamically to what's being quoted.

Whether it's shipping costs for physical products, processing fees for large deals, or handling charges for specific product combinations, manual calculation of these fees is both time-consuming and error-prone.

Quote rules turn this manual process into an automated one. By automatically calculating and applying fees based on quote conditions, you can eliminate the need for sales reps to remember when and how to add various charges.

→ Explore how the quote builder works in HubSpot

Automatically Calculate (And Apply) Sales Tax

Automatically calculate and apply the correct tax rates to quotes based on product type and customer location, ensuring accurate tax collection without leaving HubSpot.



1

Create a new quote rule

→ Name: Add VAT for UK Customers



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Add conditions to the quote rule

- → "Any of the conditions below"
- → "Companies" > "Country/Region" > "IS" > "United Kingdom"



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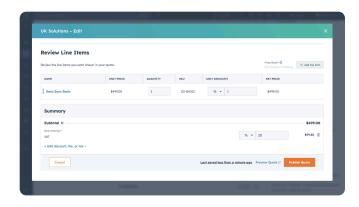
Select a rule outcome

- → Select: One-time Tax(es)
- → One-Time Tax: "VAT" → Percentage: "20%"



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- → Create test quote for a company with a "Country/Region" of "United Kingdom"
- ightarrow Confirm a one-time tax for 20% has been added
- ightarrow Verify the total amount of the quote is correct



Tax calculation requires sophisticated handling of multiple jurisdictions, different product types, and varying customer scenarios.

Starting with automation for your most common scenarios can significantly reduce manual work and eliminate costly errors in your quoting process.

Keeping tax calculations in HubSpot helps maintain clean reporting while ensuring consistent tax application across quotes.

→ How does quote•hapily automatically calculate US sales tax?

Enforce Product Bundling Requirements

Ensure compliance with product bundling requirements by creating rules that enforce the inclusion of necessary add-on products. Perfect for companies that need to ensure services, support, or additional products are always quoted with specific offerings, preventing incomplete or non-compliant quotes.



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Create a new "Notify" quote rule

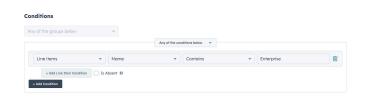
- ightarrow Name: Guardrail: Require Implementation for Enterprise Plans
- → Conditions: "Any of the conditions below"



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Add conditions to the quote rule

- → Any of the conditions below
- → "Line Items" > "Name" > "Contains" > "Enterprise"



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Select a rule outcome

- → Outcome Type: "Notify"
- → Notify Message: "You must include implementation when selling an enterprise plan."



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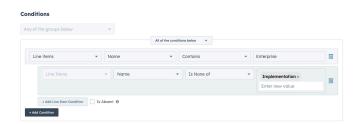
Create a new "Block" quote rule

- ightarrow Name: Guardrail: Block Enterprise Quotes without Implementation
- → Conditions: "Any of the conditions below"

| Rule Name * | | | |
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| Guardrail: Block Enterprise Quotes without Implementation | | | |
| Rule Description (Optional) | | | |
| Prevent quotes with enterprise line-items being published without implementation | | | |

Add conditions to the quote rule

- $\,\,
 ightarrow$ Any of the conditions below
- → "Line Items" > "Name" > "Contains" >
- "Enterprise"
- → "Line Items" > "Name" > "Is None Of" >
- "Implementation"



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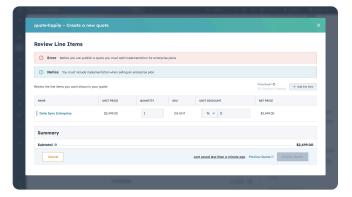
Select a rule outcome

- → Outcome: Block
- → Notify Message: "Before you can publish a quote you must add implementation for enterprise plans"



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- $\ensuremath{\rightarrow}$ Create test quote that includes an
- "Enterprise" line item
- → Confirm correct pricing and currencies are visible
- → Validate that the quote cannot be published



When selling complex products, ensuring the right combination of products, services, and support is crucial for customer success. Without automated enforcement, sales teams often forget critical components or struggle to maintain consistency in their quoting process.

By using rules to enforce product combinations, you can eliminate guesswork and ensure every quote includes all necessary components, while maintaining the flexibility to handle exceptions through the approval process.

Build your bundle requirements based on your most successful customer implementations to ensure new customers get the support they need to be successful.

- → What are quote rules?
- → <u>Learn more about bundling in quote•hapily</u>

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