

# Directive 7: Fees and Costs of 26/02/2013

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## 1. Purpose and overview of charges

#### 1.1 Purpose

<sup>1</sup> According to Clause 4.8 Rule Book, the participant must pay all charges and costs.

<sup>2</sup> The Exchange may waive all or parts of charges, providing it continues to treat all participants equally.

#### 1.2 Scope

This Directive applies to all Exchange participants ("participants") as well as further persons who have submitted themselves to the rules and regulations of the Exchange.

#### 1.3 List of fees

This Directive governs the following fees:

- Fees for on-exchange, on-order-book trading
  - Transaction fee
  - Ad valorem fee
  - Special fees
- Fees for on-exchange, off-order-book trading
  - Transaction fee
  - Ad valorem fee
- Capacity fees
  - QPS capacity fee
- Extraordinary fees
  - Monitoring fee
  - Investigation fee
  - Mistrade fee
  - Cancellation fee

## 2. Definitions

The below terms are understood to be the following in this Directive:

| Ad valorem fee                       | The ad valorem fee depends on the transaction volume.   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Aggressor                            | Order that executes against an order already in the order book (con-<br>tinuous trading).           |
| bp                                   | Basis points (1/100th of a percentage point)  |
| CHF                                  | Swiss francs  |
| Exchange                             | Scoach Schweiz AG   |
| Extraordinary investi-<br>gation fee | The Exchange charges participants a fee if they give cause for an ex-<br>traordinary investigation. |
| Extraordinary monitor-<br>ing fee    | The Exchange charges participants a fee if they give cause for an ex-<br>traordinary monitoring.    |
| Order                                | buy or sell order   |
| Participants                         | Market participants in Scoach Schweiz AG  |

| Poster           | An order which comes to execution from the order book (continuous trading).   |  |  |
|------------------|---|--|--|
| QPS capacity fee | Each market maker can buy guaranteed trading capacities for indi-<br>vidual product segments in the form of quotes per second (QPS). The<br>Exchange charges a fee for this.  |  |  |
| Quote            | A quote is a limited order to buy or sell (one-sided quote) or a pair of limited orders to buy and sell (two-sided quote). Quotes are provided by market makers and must be set via the Capacity Trading Interface (CTI).                           |  |  |
| Transaction      | Execution of an order. When an order is executed in several tranches (partial executions), all tranches of the order on the same trading day are collated into a single transaction. Also called technical transaction as part of the capacity fee. |  |  |
| Transaction      | The execution of part of or the whole quantity of an order.   |  |  |
| Transaction fee  | The Exchange charges a fee for all on-order-book and off-order-book transactions. This fee is payable per transaction and participant. The level of this fee depends on the trading segment concerned.  |  |  |

## 3. Fees for on-exchange, on-order-book trading

#### 3.1 Principle

<sup>1</sup> The Exchange levies a fee on all on-exchange, on-order-book trades. This includes the reporting fee and is payable per trade and participant.

<sup>2</sup> The fee is defined individually for each trading segment. The applicable rates are set out in the Annex to this Directive.

<sup>3</sup> The fee comprises a transaction fee and an ad valorem fee.

#### 3.2 Transaction fee

The transaction fee is a fixed charge.

#### 3.3 Ad valorem fee

<sup>1</sup> The ad valorem fee depends on the trade's transaction volume. It is determined in terms of basis points and has both a set minimum (floor) and a set maximum (cap).

 $^{\rm 2}$  The ad valorem fee is determined by the type of the (partial) execution. Its amount may differ

(a) for orders which are executed from the order book (posters),

(b) for orders which are executed directly on orders in the order book (aggressor).

<sup>3</sup> The Exchange may institute rate bands for the ad valorem fee in individual product segments.

#### 3.4 Special fees

<sup>1</sup> The Exchange levies a special fee for the use of the "fill or kill" (FoK) and "accept" order types, as well as where such order types are replicated by a participant. The special fee is calculated as follows:

| Number of FoK / accept orders and/or replications per month | 0 – 500 | 501 – 1′500 | > 1′500 |
|---|---------|-------------|---------|
| Fee in CHF for each FoK / accept order or replication       | 0.00    | 1.00        | 3.00    |

<sup>2</sup> A replication is deemed to be the entry of an order followed by the deletion of the same order within one second.

<sup>3</sup> Special fees are invoiced monthly.

## 4. Fees for on-exchange, off-order-book trading

#### 4.1 Principle

<sup>1</sup> The Exchange levies a fee on all trades reported to it off-order-book. This includes the reporting fee and is payable per trade and participant.

<sup>2</sup> The fee is defined individually for each trading segment. The applicable rates are set out in the Annex to this Directive.

<sup>3</sup> This fee is the same for all participants. It comprises a transaction fee and an ad valorem fee.

#### 4.2 Transaction fee

The transaction fee is a fixed charge.

#### 4.3 Ad valorem fee

The ad valorem fee depends on the trade's transaction volume. It is determined in terms of basis points and has both a set minimum (floor) and a set maximum (cap).

#### 5. Capacity fees

#### 5.1 QPS capacity fee

<sup>1</sup> The Exchange provides dedicated trading capacities (quotes per second, QPS) for individual product segments.

<sup>2</sup> The Exchange may allocate QPS to participants in return for a fee. The applicable rates are set out in the Annex to this Directive.

#### 6. Extraordinary fees

#### 6.1 Extraordinary monitoring fee

The Exchange charges participants a fee if they give cause for an extraordinary monitoring. This fee is determined by the complexity of the monitoring task and the time involved. It is subject to a minimum charge of CHF 1,000.

#### 6.2 Extraordinary investigation fee

The Exchange charges participants a fee if they give cause for an extraordinary investigation. This fee is determined by the complexity of the investigation and the time involved. It is subject to a minimum charge of CHF 1,000.

#### 6.3 Mistrade fee

The Exchange charges participants who have caused a trade to be declared null and void (mistrade), or the corresponding investigation, a fee of CHF 200.

#### 6.4 Cancellation fee

The Exchange charges participants a fee of CHF 50 for entering and cancelling a trade or Trade Report on their behalf.

## 7. Payment dates / Reimbursement of fees

#### 7.1 Payment dates

<sup>1</sup> Unless agreed otherwise, the Exchange's invoices must be paid within 30 days of issue.

<sup>2</sup> Interest in arrears of 10% p.a. may be charged on payments received late.

#### 7.2 Reimbursement of fees

<sup>1</sup> Any claim for the reimbursement of fees must be lodged within six months of the invoice date. Entitlement to reimbursement will lapse at the end of this period.

 $^{\rm 2}$  The claim for reimbursement must be supported by confirmation from the participant's auditors.

Resolution of the Management Committee of the Exchange of 26 February 2013; in effect since 1 April 2013.

## Annex A: Derivatives

Derivatives are financial instruments that are issued as securities with standard features and are characterised by their value being dependent upon that of some other product ("underlying instrument").

## 1. Fees for on-exchange, on-order-book trading

#### 1.1 Transaction fee

The transaction fee is CHF 1.00.

With more than 50,000 transactions as posters per month, a discount of 50% of the transaction fee is granted on the excess amount of the transaction.

#### 1.2 Ad valorem fee

| Asymmetrical:                    | Floor    | Scale   | Сар        |
|----------------------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| a) Poster                        | CHF 0.00 | 0.00 bp | CHF 0.00   |
| b) Aggressor & Auction execution | CHF 1.00 | 1.50 bp | CHF 150.00 |

## 2. Fees for on-exchange, off-order-book trading

#### 2.1 Transaction fee

The transaction fee is CHF 1.00.

#### 2.2 Ad valorem fee

| Standard fee | Floor    | Scale   | Сар       |
|--------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| Reporting    | CHF 1.00 | 1.50 bp | CHF 25.00 |

## 3. Capacity fees

#### 3.1 QPS capacity fee

The Exchange allocates five QPS free of charge to every market maker. Participants who have acquired a listing package as issuers are granted additional QPS free of charge for the duration of the listing package, in accordance with the following table.

The additional QPS listed in the table are supplementary to the five QPS that are allocated free of charge.

| Listing package:<br>Number of derivatives | Number of additional free QPS per month: |
|---|--|
| 200                                       | 0  |
| 500                                       | 1  |
| 1,000                                     | 2  |
| 2,000                                     | 4  |
| 5,000                                     | 8  |
| 7,500                                     | 12                                       |
| 10,000                                    | 16                                       |

For a monthly fee of CHF 600 per QPS, each market maker may increase its QPS capacity.

The QPS capacity fee is charged on a monthly basis.