

IMPORTANT NOTICE

European Central Counterparty Limited



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To: All Participants
Attention: Managing Partner/Officer;
Manager, Operations Department;
Manager, Treasury/Finance Department; Compliance Officer
From: EuroCCP Product Management
Subject: EuroCCP Fee Reduction

EuroCCP is pleased to announce that its Board has approved a reduction in clearing and risk management fees for transactions processed from and after 1st October 2009. This revised schedule demonstrates EuroCCP's commitment to offering its Participants and the trading venues it supports a highly competitive clearing tariff that encourages trading volume growth and provides incentives for firms to build their business with EuroCCP.

Whereas the existing fee schedule computes fees based on the average number of daily sides received by EuroCCP across all Participants, the new tariff applies transaction fee tiering based on each Participant's individual average daily volume, thereby allowing each firm to directly benefit from its own volume growth. This is computed by dividing the monthly total volume by the number of business days in the month. The average daily figure is then applied to a tiered pricing grid as follows:

| Range | 0-100,000 | 100,000-500,000 | Over 500,000 |
|----------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|
| Fee (in Euros) | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.002 |

This result is then multiplied by the number of business days in the month to arrive at the monthly invoiced amount.

The revised Fee Schedule and an Appendix regarding the computation of this new tariff are attached to this notice.

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Participation

| Participant type | Annual fee |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| General Clearing Participant (GCP) | € 15,000 |
| Individual Clearing Participant (ICP) | € 12,000 |
| Non Clearing Firm (NCF) | € 5,000 |

The Participation fee will be assessed monthly even though it is an annual fee. The monthly fee will be a simple division of 1/12 of the annual fee each month. EuroCCP will not prorate participation fees for those entities that join the organisation on a day other than the first of the month. This fee will be assessed regardless of whether the GCP/ICP has activity in a given month.

Clearance and risk management

A combined clearing and risk processing fee will be charged for every trade received by EuroCCP on behalf of the ICP/GCP/NCF. This fee will vary every month, as the actual calculation considers Participant volume in a tiered methodology to arrive at a common price for each side. Refer to Appendix A. *Calculating Clearing and Risk Management Fees* of the *EuroCCP Fee Guide*.

| | Average Number of daily sides | | |
|---|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | 0 to 100,000 | 100,000 to 500,000 | Over 500,000 |
| Clearing and risk management processing, per side (based on volume) | € 0.03 | € 0.01 | € 0.002 |

| Fee | Amount | Conditions |
|------------------------|----------|--|
| Letter of Credit | € 100.00 | Per deposit/withdrawal |
| Custody Fee | 0.6 | Basis points per annum (for sovereign debt held at Euroclear UK & Ireland and Euroclear Bank only) |
| Spanish Processing Fee | € 0.04 | Per trade side |

Buy-ins

Buy-ins will be executed according to the schedule in the EuroCCP procedures. Parties failing to deliver to EuroCCP will be charged the cost of the execution of the buy-in (including brokerage and other fees if applicable). In the event that a buy-in cannot be executed, a cash compensation will be performed at 120% of the market value based on last traded price, or price of outstanding transaction, whichever is the higher.

Financing costs

The following will be allocated amongst clearing participants according to the proportion of the total value of short fails and late deliveries recorded by EuroCCP in any given calendar month:

- the total cost of funding currency needs due to settlements and EuroCCP box positions
- the costs of stock splitting (including EuroCCP's settlement agent's cancellation charge)
- the costs of corporate action adjustments and/or any fines charged by depositories on box positions or failed deliveries

The cut off for late deliveries, which could potentially vary by market, will be associated with the splitting process.

Communications

Communications fees will be passed through at cost.

Settlement schedule

| Country | Settlement | Income payments ^a | Corporate actions ^a |
|----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Austria | €0.90 ^b | € 15 | € 20 |
| Belgium | €0.90 ^b | € 15 | € 20 |
| Denmark | DKK 35 | DKK 113 | DKK 150 |
| Euroclear Bank | €3 | €15 | N/A |
| Finland | €4.50 | € 15 | € 20 |
| France | €0.90 ^b | € 15 | € 20 |
| Germany | €0.90 ^b | € 15 | € 20 |
| Italy | €0.90 ^b | € 15 | € 20 |
| Netherlands | €0.90 ^b | € 15 | € 20 |
| Norway | NOK 35 | NOK 125 | NOK 165 |
| Portugal | €0.90 ^b | € 15 | € 20 |
| Spain | € 1.30 ^b | € 15 | € 20 |
| Sweden | SEK 8.2 ^b | SEK 138 | SEK 184 |
| Switzerland | CHF 1.32 ^b | CHF 24 | CHF 32 |
| UK and Ireland | £ 0.54 ^b | £ 10 | £ 13 |

^aIncome payments and corporate actions fees will be assessed to both the long and short parties on failed deliveries.

^bOut-of-pocket expenses (depository fees) will be added to the settlement and safekeeping fee when incurred.

Miscellaneous settlement fees

| Fee | Amount |
|---|------------------------------|
| Book transfers - account at EuroCCP's settlement agent | € 1.00 per transfer |
| Funds transfers - account not at EuroCCP's settlement agent | € 1.80 per transfer |
| Repair | € 5 per repaired transaction |
| Cancellation | € 3 per cancellation |
| Manual instruction | € 10 per instruction |
| Settlement/Cross Fee - Spain | Varies ¹ |
| Italian Depot Fee | Varies |

¹ This fee is the summation of any stock exchange or Iberclear fees required to execute cross trades in Spain. The fee also includes commission charged by the broker used to execute the cross. These fees will be passed through to participants at cost.

Appendix A. Calculating Clearing and Risk Management Fees

EuroCCP assesses a combined clearing and risk processing fee for every trade received by EuroCCP on behalf of the ICP/GCP/NCF. The average fee per trade paid by a Participant will vary every month, as the actual calculation considers a Participant's average daily volume during the month in a tiered methodology. The tariff is based on each participant's individual average daily volume and uses transaction fee tiering, according to the following schedule:

| Overall Average Number of Daily Sides | Fee Per Side (Euros) |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 0 to 100,000 | 0.0300 |
| 100,000 to 500,000 | 0.0100 |
| Over 500,000 | 0.0020 |

For each participant, EuroCCP computes the tariff as follows:

Step 1. Average daily volume = Number of sides / Number of business days

Step 2. Average daily charge = Average daily volume x tiering factor

Step 3. Overall invoiced amount = Average daily charge x Number of business days

This calculation is illustrated in the following example. Assume that EuroCCP received a total of 10,500,000 sides from a Participant in a month that had 20 business days.

Step 1 - Compute the average daily volume

The average daily volume is 525,000 sides (10,500,000/20).

Step 2 - Calculate the average daily charge

| Tier | Fee | Sides @ Fee Level | Charge @ Fee level |
|--------------------|---------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 to 100,000 | € 0.03 | 100,000 | € 3,000 |
| 100,000 to 500,000 | € 0.01 | 400,000 | € 4,000 |
| Over 500,000 | € 0.002 | 25,000 | € 50 |
| Total | | 525,000 | € 7,050 |

Step 3 - Calculate the invoiced amount

€ 7,050 * 20 = € 141,000