

# **Technical Notice**

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TO: Montréal Exchange Participants & Vendors

FROM: Market Access Manager

**SUBJECT:** Amendment to the BAX Contract

**DATE:** July 11, 2014

On September 8, 2014, the minimum price fluctuation for the second, third and fourth quarterly BAX contract months will be reduced from 0.01 = \$25.00 per contract (a full tick), to 0.005 = \$12.50 (a half tick). From then on, the two BAX serials and the front four BAX quarterlies will all trade in half ticks. The new BAX contract specifications can be found on the following page.

The implementation of this modification is subject to compliance with the conditions set forth in the self-certification process as established in the Derivatives Act (R.S.Q. chapter I-14.01), and pursuant to obtaining the consent of regulatory authorities in other jurisdictions, where required.

### **TECHNICAL IMPACT**

As this is only a contract modification, customers need to take proper measures to ensure the proper tick value is configured on the two BAX serial contracts and the front four BAX quarterly contracts. There are no changes to the MX services that display the BAX contract.

SERVICE		IMPACT
SAIL	FIX	
STAMP	HSVF	
FTP server (EOD reports)	LOPR	NO CHANGE
Drop Copy	ATR	
Clearing API	HSVF	

### **GENERAL TEST ENVIRONMENT (GTE) and PREPARATION**

The amended contract will be made available in the MX testing environment should clients require testing. Application testing and support is available Mondays through Fridays, from 8:00 AM (EST) to 16:30 PM (EST). After-hours testing is available without support on Mondays through Fridays, from 16:30 PM (EST) to 22:30 PM (EST).

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

For all business related questions or if you require technical assistance, please contact the Technical Help Desk.

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# **NEW BAX CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS**

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TH	THREE-MONTH CANADIAN BANKERS' ACCEPTANCE FUTURES			
	Underlying	C\$1,000,000 of Canadian bankers' acceptances with a three-month maturity.		
	Expiry cycle	Quarterlies: March, June, September and December. Serials: two (2) nearest non-quarterly months.		
	Price quotation	Index: 100 minus the annualized yield of Canadian bankers' acceptances with a three-month maturity.		
	Minimum price fluctuation	0.005 = C\$12.50 per contract for the six (6) nearest listed contract months, including serials. 0.01 = C\$25 per contract for all other contract months.		
	Contract type	Cash-settled.		
TIONS	Last trading day	Trading ceases at 10:00 a.m. (Montréal time) on the second London (Great Britain) banking day preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month, provided it is a business day. If it is not a business day, trading will cease on the first preceding business day.		
ΙK	Expiration day	Expiration occurs on the last trading day.		
SPECIFICATIONS	Final settlement price	Based on the average bid-rate of Canadian bankers' acceptance with a three-month maturity, as quoted on CDOR on the last trading day at 10:15 a.m., excluding the highest and the lowest values.		
S	Position reporting threshold	300 contracts.		
	Position limit	Information on position limits can be obtained from the Bourse as they are subject to periodic changes.		
	Price limit	None.		
requireme	Minimum margin requirements	Information on minimum margin requirements can be obtained from the Bourse as they are subject to periodic changes.		
	Trading hours	Regular session: 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  Note:During early closing days, the regular session closes at 1:30 p.m.		
	Clearing corporation	The Canadian Derivatives Clearing Corporation (CDCC).		
	Ticker symbol	BAX		

We thank you for your cooperation.

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