

Trading – Interest Rate Derivatives Trading – Equity and Index Derivatives Back-office – Futures Back-office – Options Technology Regulation

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### FUTURES CONTRACTS MARGIN REQUIREMENTS, INDEX PRODUCTS FLOATING MARGIN RATES, CURRENCY OPTION MARGIN RATES AND TRACKING ERROR MARGIN RATES

Bourse de Montréal Inc. (the Bourse) sets futures contracts margin rates, index products floating margin rates and tracking error margin rates and currency options margin rates. The Bourse updates these rates on a monthly basis or when justified by market conditions.

The Bourse, in collaboration with Canadian Derivatives Clearing Corporation (CDCC), has determined that futures contract margin rates, in the case of speculators and hedgers, must be modified as follows:

FUTURES CONTRACTS	MARGIN TYPE	PREVIOUS RATE	NEW RATE
<b>ONX</b> - 30-Day Overnight Repo Rate	Speculator	\$1,100	\$750
ONA - 50-Day Overlinght Repo Rate	Hedger	\$1,000	\$700
<b><b>PAV</b> Three month Canadian Dankara' Assentance</b>	Speculator	\$350	\$400
BAX - Three-month Canadian Bankers' Acceptance	Hedger	\$300	\$350
CC7 Two year Canadian Covernment Band	Speculator	\$550	\$550
CGZ - Two-year Canadian Government Bond	Hedger	\$500	\$500
CCB Tan yoor Canadian Covernment Dand	Speculator	\$1,400	\$1,250
CGB - Ten-year Canadian Government Bond	Hedger	\$1,300	\$1,150
SXF - S&P/TSX 60 Index	Speculator	\$6,100	\$6,050
SAF - S&P/1SA 00 Index	Hedger	\$5,900	\$5,850
<b>SXA</b> - S&P/TSX Global Gold Index	Speculator	\$6,500	\$6,000
SAA - S&F/ ISA Global Gold Index	Hedger	\$6,300	\$5,800
SVD S&D/TSV Conned Einensiele Index	Speculator	\$1,300	\$1,600
<b>SXB</b> - S&P/TSX Capped Financials Index	Hedger	\$1,200	\$1,500
SVII S&D/TSV Conned Information Tashnalagy Inday	Speculator	\$1,100	\$1,000
<b>SXH</b> - S&P/TSX Capped Information Technology Index	Hedger	\$1,000	\$950
SVV S&D/TSV Conned Energy Index	Speculator	\$4,400	\$4,600
SXY - S&P/TSX Capped Energy Index	Hedger	\$4,200	\$4,400

1. The "Speculator" designation applies to all clients, except acceptable institutions, acceptable counterparties, regulated entities and bona fide hedgers, as defined in the Rules and Policies of the Bourse.

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## FUTURES CONTRACT SPREAD POSITIONS

The following is a summary of the margin rates applicable to spread positions in futures contracts listed at Bourse de Montréal Inc.:

MARGIN TYPE	INDEX FUTURES CONTRACTS				
	SXF	SXA	SXB	SXH	SXY
SPREADS	\$350	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100

MARGIN TYPE	INTEREST RATE FUTURES CONTRACTS					
MARGINIIL	ONX	BAX	CGZ	CGB		
SPREADS	\$132	\$87	\$400	\$200		
<b>BUTTERFLY</b> (consecutive expiry months)	N/A	\$ 90	N/A	N/A		
<b>BUTTERFLY</b> (non-consecutive expiry months)	N/A	\$144	N/A	N/A		

#### MARGIN ON INTER-COMMODITY SPREAD POSITIONS

SPREAD POSITION CGB-CGZ	PREVIOUS MARGIN RATE	NEW MARGIN RATE
Speculator	\$2,010	\$1,830
Hedger	\$1,860	\$1,680

Note: For margin and capital calculation purposes, since the size of the CGB and CGZ futures contracts are different, the abovementioned margin may be used only if the pairing is made by taking into account the size difference of these futures contracts. This means that the spread position must consist of two (2) CGB futures contracts (\$100,000 size) and one (1) CGZ futures contract (\$200,000 size).

### FLOATING MARGIN RATES

In regards to index products floating margin rates, the following rates have been determined:

FLOATING MARGIN	BASKET OF IND	EX SECURITIES	INDEX PARTICIPATION SHARES		
RATES	PREVIOUSNEWRATERATE		PREVIOUS RATE	NEW RATE	
S&P/TSX 60 Index	4.00%	4.00%	3.50%	4.00%	
S&P/TSX Global Gold Index	9.75%	9.25%	9.50%	9.25%	
S&P/TSX Capped Financials Index	3.00%	3.50%	2.75%	3.50%	
S&P/TSX Capped Information Technology Index	5.50%	5.50%	5.50%	5.25%	
S&P/TSX Capped Energy Index	6.75%	6.75%	6.75%	6.75%	
S&P/TSX Capped Materials Index	N/A	N/A	6.50%	6.50%	

# **CURRENCY OPTION MARGIN RATES**

CURRENCY OPTION MARGIN RATES	RATES		
	PREVIOUS RATE	NEW RATE	
USX - US Dollar Option	2.00%	2.00%	

#### TRACKING ERROR MARGIN RATES

In regards to index products tracking error margin rates, the following rates have been determined:

	PREVIOUS RATE			NEW RATE		
TRACKING ERROR MARGIN RATES	Index and IPU	Index and Futures	IPU and Futures	Index and IPU	Index and Futures	IPU and Futures
S&P/TSX 60 Index	0.75%	1.50%	1.50%	0.75%	1.50%	1.50%
S&P/TSX Global Gold Index	1.25%	4.00%	4.00%	1.25%	5.50%	5.75%
S&P/TSX Capped Financials Index	0.75%	1.00%	1.25%	0.75%	1.50%	1.75%
S&P/TSX Capped Information Technology Index	2.00%	2.50%	2.75%	2.00%	2.75%	2.75%
S&P/TSX Capped Energy Index	1.00%	3.00%	3.00%	1.00%	2.25%	2.50%
S&P/TSX Capped Materials Index	3.00%	N/A	N/A	1.50%	N/A	N/A

These new margin requirements will be effective at the close of business on Tuesday, April 10, 2007.

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