

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
ONV 20 Day Quarricht Dana Data	Speculator	\$6,150	\$3,500
ONX - 30-Day Overnight Repo Rate	Hedger	\$5,950	\$3,300
BAX . Three month Consider Doubers! Accounter of	Speculator	\$1,300	\$800
BAX - Three-month Canadian Bankers' Acceptance	Hedger	\$1,200	\$750
CCZ Two year Canadian Covernment Band	Speculator	\$1,000	\$2,300
CGZ - Two-year Canadian Government Bond	Hedger	\$950	\$2,200
CGB - Ten-year Canadian Government Bond	Speculator	\$2,050	\$2,050
	Hedger	\$1,950	\$1,950
LGB - Thirty-year Canadian Government Bond	Speculator	\$2,600	\$2,500
LGB - Thirty-year Canadian Government Bond	Hedger	\$2,500	\$2,400
SXF - S&P/TSX 60 Index	Speculator	\$12,500	\$10,700
SAF - S&P/ISA 00 Index	Hedger	\$12,300	\$10,500
SXA - S&P/TSX Global Gold Index	Speculator	\$8,300	\$6,850
SAA - S&F/ ISA Global Gold Index	Hedger	\$8,100	\$6,650
SVD ChD/TCV Conned Einensiele Inden	Speculator	\$4,050	\$2,850
SXB - S&P/TSX Capped Financials Index	Hedger	\$3,850	\$2,750
SVII S&D/TSV Conned Information Tasks also as Is day	Speculator	\$1,600	\$1,550
SXH - S&P/TSX Capped Information Technology Index	Hedger	\$1,500	\$1,450
SVV S&D/TSV Conned Energy Index	Speculator	\$5,900	\$6,000
SXY - S&P/TSX Capped Energy Index	Hedger	\$5,700	\$5,800

Note: 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					INDEX FUTURES CONTRACTS			
SXF		SXA SXB		SXH	SXY				
SPREADS	\$350	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100				

MARGIN TYPE	INTEREST RATE FUTURES CONTRACTS					
	ONX	BAX	CGZ	CGB	LGB	
SPREADS	\$132	\$157	\$200	\$200	\$200	
BUTTERFLY (consecutive expiry months)	N/A	\$141	N/A	N/A	N/A	
BUTTERFLY (non-consecutive expiry months)	N/A	\$230	N/A	N/A	N/A	

MARGIN ON INTER-COMMODITY SPREAD POSITIONS

SPREAD POSITION CGB-CGZ	PREVIOUS MARGIN RATE	NEW MARGIN RATE
Speculator	\$2,805	\$3,520
Hedger	\$2,670	\$3,355

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).

SPREAD POSITION LGB-CGB	PREVIOUS MARGIN RATE	NEW MARGIN RATE
Speculator	\$2,095	\$2,050
Hedger	\$2,005	\$1,960

FLOATING MARGIN RATES

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

FLOATING MARGIN RATES	BASKET OF IND	EX SECURITIES	INDEX PARTICIPATION SHARES		
	PREVIOUS RATE	NEW RATE	PREVIOUS RATE	NEW RATE	
S&P/TSX 60 Index	7.75%	6.25%	7.00%	6.00%	
S&P/TSX Global Gold Index	12.00%	11.00%	12.25%	11.75%	
S&P/TSX Capped Financials Index	10.25%	7.00%	9.25%	6.50%	
S&P/TSX Capped Information Technology Index	8.75%	7.75%	8.50%	7.50%	
S&P/TSX Capped Energy Index	8.00%	7.25%	7.50%	7.25%	
S&P/TSX Capped Materials Index	N/A	N/A	11.25%	10.00%	

CURRENCY OPTION MARGIN RATES

CURRENCY OPTION MARGIN RATES	RATES			
	PREVIOUS RATE	NEW RATE		
USX - US Dollar Option	3.25%	3.00%		

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	1.50%	1.50%	2.00%	1.25%	1.50%	1.50%
S&P/TSX Global Gold Index	2.00%	2.25%	2.25%	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
S&P/TSX Capped Financials Index	1.50%	1.00%	1.25%	1.25%	1.00%	1.25%
S&P/TSX Capped Information Technology Index	3.00%	2.25%	2.75%	2.00%	2.25%	2.50%
S&P/TSX Capped Energy Index	1.25%	1.75%	1.75%	1.25%	1.50%	1.75%
S&P/TSX Capped Materials Index	1.25%	N/A	N/A	1.25%	N/A	N/A

These new margin requirements will be effective with processing of trades on Thursday, May 8, 2008.

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