



State Street Partnered Trading (UK) Limited

Order execution policy

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Under the rules of our regulator, the Financial Conduct Authority [FCA] relating to the transposition of UK MIFID regulation (“MIFID”), we are required to take all sufficient steps on a consistent basis to obtain the best possible result for clients when executing orders (or receiving and transmitting orders) taking into account factors such as price of the financial instruments, costs related to the execution of the order, likelihood of execution and settlement of the order, speed, size and nature of the order or any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order.

Order execution policy

Scope

Our execution policy is applicable to State Street Partnered Trading (UK) Limited [SSPT]'s Professional Clients as determined in accordance with the client classification rules of the FCA. SSPT does not engage in retail client business. This Policy does not apply to the execution of orders on behalf of Eligible Counterparties or to Retail Clients.

SSPT's execution policy is applicable to clients and where we have received an order:

- a. To execute on their behalf in respect of financial instruments covered by the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive; or
- b. Which we pass on (i.e. transmit) at our discretion to another broker or dealer ("third party") for execution.

We will be executing orders "on a client's behalf" where the client legitimately relies on us to protect his or her interests in relation to the pricing or other aspects of the transaction that may be affected by how we execute the order.

For example, this will be the case when we: -

- Execute an order by dealing as agent;
- Execute an order by dealing as matched principal on behalf of a client.

This policy only applies to transactions in financial instruments falling within the scope of MiFID. It will therefore cover cash equities and equity-like shares, depositary receipts, debt instruments, funds and derivatives in interest rates, currencies, equity and indices.

Execution processes

When executing orders SSPT will seek to obtain the most favourable terms taking into account relevant factors including its regulatory obligations, any specific terms that the client may impose, and the chronological order in which it receives orders. Where there is only one execution venue available in respect of the relevant order, and therefore the only pricing consideration is time of execution, a comparison of prices will not be included as an execution factor.

The quality of execution

SSPT's policy in providing best execution is where possible and subject to the processes set out below, to exercise the same standards and operate the same processes across all the different markets, exchanges, and venues on which it executes your orders.

When we execute an order on your behalf, or receive and transmit an order for execution on your behalf, we take all sufficient steps to achieve the best possible result for your order in accordance with MiFID and our Execution Policy, subject to any specific instructions that you give us, the priorities you place upon us in filling the order, the nature of your order, the market or the source of liquidity ("venue") in question and any other factors relevant to execution.

The diversity in markets, asset classes, and execution venues mean that different factors including price, costs, the need for a timely execution, the liquidity of the market, the size of the order, whether it is executed on a regulated market, MTF, OTF, SI, or OTC, will have to be taken into account when assessing execution. Price is not always the final determinate: where liquidity is a priority, the best reflected price may be irrelevant. In the absence of express and explicit instructions from you, we will exercise our own discretion in determining the factors that need to be taken into account to provide you with the best possible execution using our understanding and experience of the market in question, our knowledge of your investment process, and the nature of the trading service you require of SSPT.

SSPT always acts as either agent or matched principal on your behalf and always charges a transparent commission. A "net price" will only be shown when specifically requested by the client. SSPT does not mark up or down the price of a security unless explicitly told to do so when facilitating transparent commissions in markets such as fixed income, and do not take positions for ourselves except in the event of an error.

SSPT believe the policy and processes defined below, provide the best balance across a range of sometimes conflicting factors to achieve the most favourable terms reasonably available on a consistent basis. SSPT is, however, not under an obligation to obtain the best possible result for each individual order, and our commitment to provide you with best execution does not mean that we owe you any fiduciary or other responsibilities over and above our specific regulatory obligations.

Execution factors

SSPT will take into consideration a range of different factors to determine the manner in which best execution will be achieved including, but not limited to:

- Price
- Size and nature of the order
- Likelihood of execution
- Speed of execution
- Likelihood of settlement
- Cost of execution
- Local laws and regulations or any other consideration relevant to the execution of an order

Execution criteria

While price is generally a key factor, the overall value to a client of a particular transaction or service may be affected by the execution factors listed above and/or the strategy that the client is seeking to employ, the relative importance of each of the factors will differ depending on those objectives, and, in determining the relative importance of the execution factors, SSPT will prioritise the following best execution criteria:

- Any specific instructions that the client has provided;
- The characteristics of the client's order¹;
- The characteristics of the Financial Instrument to which the order relates;
- The characteristics of the execution venue(s)² to which the order can be directed.

¹Including where the order involves a securities financing transaction (SFT)

² Execution venue(s) includes a regulated market, a multi-lateral trading facility (MTF), an organised trading facility (OTF), a systematic internaliser, or a market maker or other liquidity provider or an entity that performs a similar function in a third country to the function performed by any of the foregoing

Execution process — Venue selection

To respond to clients' requests, SSPT can access a number of execution venues (via intermediaries), which may include Regulated Markets, Multilateral Trading Facilities, Organised Trading Facilities, Systematic Internalisers, and Market Makers. Client orders executed using such arrangements are subject to monitoring and review, in order to reassess both the outcome of the order against this Policy and the overall performance of the third-party firm or the Affiliate.

In addition to factors mentioned in section called Execution Factors, for the selection of execution venues, the following factors will be taken into consideration to obtain the best possible execution result:

- The reliability of the clearing and settlement systems.
- The reliability of the connection infrastructure with the execution venues.
- The degree of automation of the operative of the execution venues.
- Any other consideration relevant to the execution, settlement and clearing of the order.

Choice of intermediaries

SSPT uses electronic systems to route and execute some client orders. When a customer order is received, it is routed to the appropriate execution venue(s) as determined by the criteria above.

Certain large orders may require special handling to minimize market impact and be managed by SSPT's trading desk in a manner consistent with SSPT's best execution principles. SSPT may utilise or provide access to third-party Algorithmic Trading Systems (ATS) who will act as the execution broker for low touch and/or high-frequency agency trading execution. Where utilised or provided, SSPT does not control or operate the ATS as defined by UK Markets in Financial Instruments Directive II (Art. 17). SSPT remains responsible for meeting its best execution obligations under MiFID II in respect of orders it executes or transmits on behalf of clients. In doing so, SSPT considers client instructions, the characteristics of the order, and the performance of third-party ATS providers. Where clients make specific execution choices or provide instructions (including the selection of ATS execution routes), such instructions may affect the manner in which best execution is achieved. Clients remain responsible for investment strategy decisions, choosing where to leverage an ATS made available by SSPT and specifying any specific execution parameters where applicable.

SSPT regularly monitors the execution quality of orders executed by the relevant intermediaries. For this purpose, the executed transactions are examined in the quarterly best execution committee by the committee and monitored daily from the trading team by reviewing the daily outlier TCA reports. An objection is raised if any material deficiencies are identified, and remediation is monitored.

We carefully select the brokers we use and satisfy ourselves that they have arrangements in place to enable us to achieve our best execution obligation to you. Orders in Asia and the Americas may be passed to an affiliate.

In extreme volume and volatility situations, exchange system constraints require automated trading solutions to be switched off and/or electronic routing to be suspended in favour of manual execution. Such events lead to further execution delay and increased market volatility. Clients should be aware of the following risks associated with volatile markets, especially at or near the close of the standard trading session: an order may be executed at a substantially different price from the quoted bid or offer, the last reported sale price at the time of the order entry, an order may be only partially executed or may be executed in several transactions at different prices, and opening prices may differ substantially from the previous day's close.

We continuously assess the execution venues available in respect to any product that we trade in order to ensure they continue to allow us to provide you with the best possible results for your orders.

Execution venues

The SSPT execution venues can be found at the bottom of this Policy which details the financial instruments and their associated execution venues. The list is not exhaustive but represents those execution venues and vendors upon which we place significant reliance.

We believe that the execution venues detailed are appropriate in providing best execution to you as these venues enable us to obtain, on a consistent basis, the best possible result for the execution of client orders. The charges passed down to the client are consistent with the cost to the firm of dealing with each execution venue so as not to unfairly discriminate against any one execution venue.

Where we are not responsible for the actual execution but instead transmit the order to a third party for execution, we will ensure that the third party is contracted to providing us best execution.

In certain financial instruments, there may only be one execution venue, and in executing a trade in such circumstances we shall presume that we have provided the best possible result in respect of these types of financial instruments.

Fees and inducements

The fees that SSPT charge the client are detailed in a client commission schedule mutually agreed prior to trading. SSPT receive no inducements or payment for order flow from any execution venue.

Review and monitoring

SSPT monitors the effectiveness of its order execution arrangements and order execution policy by continuously assessing the execution venues and/or the brokers to whom we transmit orders for execution. This is to ensure we achieve the best possible result for our clients on a consistent basis, and to establish whether SSPT needs to make amendments to its execution arrangements.

As part of SSPT's regular monitoring process, SSPT have access to sophisticated Transaction Cost Analysis (TCA) analytics, to aid the reviewing and monitoring process. SSPT, if requested, can produce these TCA reports to show the quality of execution and processes and metrics used to monitor this.

SSPT will review this policy whenever a material event occurs that affects or contributes to the execution outcome. Should no such event occur, the review will take place at least on an annual basis. Our most updated policy is available on our website [here](#).

Specific client instructions

Where you provide SSPT with a specific instruction in relation to an order or a part of the order or any particular aspect of it, including the selection of a venue, we will execute the order in accordance with these instructions. In doing so, SSPT will be deemed to have taken all sufficient steps to provide the best possible result in respect of that order or aspect of that order even though that may prevent us from taking the steps that we have outlined above in order to obtain the best possible result for your order. To the extent that your specific instructions are not comprehensive, we will apply this policy to those aspects not covered by your instructions.

The particular execution roles and responsibilities of SSPT and its client will depend on the type of execution instruction received. At all times, the client passing the order to SSPT retains responsibility for best execution to its end client.

Aggregation and allocation of orders

SSPT may, from time to time, aggregate client orders, taking into account 'Execution Factors' (see the eponymous section above for details) for a specific trade, but will only do so where we reasonably believe that it is in the overall best interest of each relevant client. For occasions where liquidity is constrained, please see the scenarios below of how we would execute the aggregated orders according to the prevailing market conditions.

Alongside our regular best execution monitoring and TCA analysis, on an annual basis, independent sample testing in the form of an assurance report from a third party on sequential trading is conducted to identify and review any incidents where more than 1 trade was executed in the same instrument, on the same day, traded in the same direction (i.e., buy or sell), on the same exchange and currency, by more than one legal entity. This is then presented to the Board for review.

Secondary trading:

Equity and Fixed Income

If liquidity is not constrained, orders will be worked separately in the market.

Scenario 1:

- Client A is a Buyer of 100 shares, Client B is a Buyer of 500 shares.
- An aggregated Buy order of 200 shares would be created, split evenly between client A & B, until such time that Client A is complete on 100, and Client B has bought 100, at which point Client B continues with their balance of 400 shares.

Scenario 2:

- Client A is a Buyer of 100 shares having bought 50 shares already, Client B is a Buyer of 500 shares. An aggregated Buy order of 100 shares would be created, split evenly between Client A & B, until such time that client A has completed their order of 50 shares, and Client B continues with their balance of 450.

Our communication with each client about a competing order will be at the discretion of the dealing desk, who will understand each relevant clients' requirements. We will look to maximise each client's opportunities without disadvantaging any other client.

Primary trading:

Equity IPO's

For Equity IPOs, we will submit applications on a fully disclosed basis directly with the bookrunners. If multiple client's express interest in a particular deal, we will ensure each is disclosed separately so there is full transparency with bookrunners. The bookrunners will then confirm individual allocations for each client, keeping the process straightforward and clear.

Fixed income new issuance:

For Fixed Income New Issuance, we have a flexible approach depending on client requirements. We can apply for deals either fully disclosed or anonymised. When we proceed on a fully disclosed basis, allocations will be managed according to how the underwriters allocate to each client, especially in cases of multiple client interests. However, if clients prefer an anonymised application, we will aggregate the anonymised orders and allocation will be done on a pro-rata basis, determined by the size of each client's order. Please note, there is no time prioritization for new issues.

Client limit orders

SSPT will execute orders outside of a trading venue provided that:

- The Financial Instrument to which the client's order relates can be traded outside of such Trading Venue;
- The client has given SSPT express prior consent: (i) as part of an onboarding process; or (ii) by signing any agreement, including any partnered trading agreement, which includes the provision of such prior express consent; and
- SSPT believes that it is consistent with this Policy and it is in the client's best interests.

SSPT can provide additional information relating to trading outside a Trading Venue, upon request.

The FCA requires unexecuted client limit orders to be made public immediately unless the client expressly instructs otherwise. By consenting to this policy, you are expressly instructing SSPT not to make such orders public unless we believe that by doing so, it will be to your advantage.

List of venues (non-exhaustive and subject to change)

Periodic auction	Primary Market
Aquis Auction OD AQXA/AQEA	Austria XWBO
CBOE Periodic Auction BATP/BEUP	Bahrain XBAH
GS SigmaX MTF Auction Periodic SGMY/SGMV	Belgium XBRU
Nasdaq Auction OD MCSE/MHEL/MSTO	Czech Rep XPRA
Turquoise Lit Auction Periodic TRQA/TQEA	Denmark XCSE
Virtu POSIT Auction XPAL/XPAC	Egypt XCAI
	Finland XHEL
Dark MTF	France XPAR/ALXP/XMLI
Aquis Non Display AQXD/AQED	Germany XETR/XETA/XETB
CBOE BXE Dark BATD	Greece XATH
CBOE CXE Dark CHID/CEUD	Hungary XBUD
GS SigmaX MTF SGMX/SGMU	Ireland XDUB
Instinet BlockMatch BLOX/EBLX	Israel XTAE
Liquidnet Dark LIQU/LNEQ	Italy MTAA/ETFP/EXGM/BGEM
Turquoise Plato MidPoint TRQM/TQEM	Kuwait XKUW
Virtu POSIT XPOL/XPOS	Netherlands XAMS
	Norway XOSL
Systematic Internaliser	Oman XMUS
Citadel Connect CCEU/EUCC (@Mid)	Poland XWAR
Hudson River Trading HRSI/HREU (@Mid)	Portugal XLIS
Jane Street JSSI/JNSI	Qatar DSMD
Jump Trading JLEU	Saudi Arabia XSAU
Tower Research Capital TRSI/TOWR	South Africa XJSE
Virtu Financial VFGB/VFSI	Spain XMAD
XTX Markets XTXE (@Mid)	Sweden XSTO/XSAT/SSME

Periodic auction**Primary Market**

Trajectory Cross

Switzerland XSWX

Cboe Trajectory Cross VWAP/XWAP

Turkey XIST

UAE Abu Dhabi SM XADS

Lit MTF

UAE Dubai FM XDFM

A2X A2XX

UAE Nasdaq Dubai DIFX

Aquis AQXE/AQEU

UK [LSE/IOB] XLON

CBOE BXE BATE

CBOE CXE CHIX/CEUX

Conditional

Equiduct XEQT/EQTA/EQTB

Aquis Conditional AQXD/AQED

Tradegate XGRM

CBOE LIS LISX/LISZ

Turquoise TRQX/TQEX

Euronext Block Primary MIC

GS SigmaX MTF Conditional SGMX/SGMU

Dark Primary

Instinet BlockMatch Conditional BLOX/EBLX

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Liquidnet Conditional LIQU/LNEQ

SpainAtMid DMAD

SwissAtMid Conditional XSWM

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Xetra Midpoint XEMA/XEMB/XEMI

Virtu POSIT Alert XPOL/XPOS

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