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# **CIRCULAR LETTER**

Listed B3 Participants

Re.: Accreditation Process for Market Makers in Single Stock and Unit
Futures

B3 hereby informs you of the procedures for accreditation in the new Program for Market Makers in Single Stock and Unit Futures. Up to seven market makers will be accredited under this program and to participate the market maker must trade in all the assets eligible for the program.

### Selection procedure

Institutions that wish to take part in the program can request accreditation by sending a completed application form ("Expression of Interest") to <a href="mailto:formadordemercadob3@b3.com.br">formadordemercadob3@b3.com.br</a> by the appropriate deadline, as shown below.

The Expression of Interest form is available at <a href="www.b3.com.br/en us">www.b3.com.br/en us</a>, Products and Services, Trading, Market maker, Join in, Programs, Single stock and unit futures.

If the number of applications for accreditation exceeds the number of openings offered, B3 will select the applicants to be accredited by means of a system of points. The institutions ranked in the top seven will be selected.



To calculate each applicant's score in points, B3 will analyze the following variables:

- Duration of the institution's participation in single stock and unit futures
   market maker programs
- Performance in the previous program
- Share of total trading in single stock and unit futures by all applicants

Having calculated their scores, B3 will announce the rankings of all applicants and the names of those selected for the program.

# **Accreditation procedure**

The institutions selected must formalize their accreditation as market makers for the securities concerned by signing the Accreditation Instrument by the deadline stipulated in this Circular Letter.

Guidance on the procedure for returning the Accreditation Instrument can be found in the "Guide to Procedures for the Accreditation of Market Makers" (Accreditation Guide), available at <a href="https://www.b3.com.br/en\_us">www.b3.com.br/en\_us</a>, Products and Services, Trading, Market maker, Join in, Accreditation.

Institutions that have not yet signed the Market Maker Accreditation Agreement with B3 must follow the procedures set out in items 4, 5 and 6 of the Accreditation Guide.



For this program, a specific Accreditation Instrument form is available at <a href="https://www.b3.com.br/en.us">www.b3.com.br/en.us</a>, Products and Services, Trading, Market maker, Join in, Programs, Single stock and unit futures.

#### **Deadlines**

Expression of interest filed	Selected market makers announced	Accreditation instrument filed	Accounts registered	Activity starts	Obligation ends
By April 22, 2022	April 27, 2022	May 6, 2022	May 13, 2022	May 23, 2022	May 19, 2023

B3 may at its sole discretion assess accreditation applications submitted after these deadlines, provided the delay is duly justified.

# **Activity parameters**

Market makers accredited for this program must enter bids and asks in accordance with the trading parameters defined by B3.

The list of securities eligible for the program and the respective activity parameters can be found in the document "Rules for Activity by Market Makers in Single Stock and Unit Futures" (Rules), available at <a href="https://www.b3.com.br/en\_us">www.b3.com.br/en\_us</a>, Products and Services, Trading, Market maker, Join in, Programs, Single stock and unit futures.

Market makers are required to register bids and asks for the contract months listed in the Rules, and must do so until the second business day before the expiration date. As of the last business day before the expiration date, they are

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not obliged to trade in the first contract month but must trade in the two subsequent contract months authorized for trading.

The activity parameters may be changed during the course of the program with the prior consent of the market makers accredited for the program. B3 will formally advise market makers of any proposals to change the activity parameters. They will have seven business days to respond in writing, and the lack of a timely reply will be taken as consent to the proposed change.

The prior consent of market makers will not be necessary if the parameters are changed owing to atypical market situations that incur a change in trading patterns or to adjustments required to avoid the creation of artificial demand, supply or pricing conditions.

# **Test period**

Market makers may enjoy the benefits specified below without having to observe the activity parameters for up to ten business days before the start of their mandatory activity so that they can execute connectivity, session and order routing tests, as well as the necessary technological configurations. After the test period, market makers' activities will be monitored by B3.

#### Deaccreditation

In the event of deaccreditation of market makers from this program, B3 may select other institutions that have expressed interest in the securities concerned to replace the deaccredited institutions.

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Accreditation and deaccreditation of market makers will always be disclosed to participants via B3's usual communication channels.

# Maximum number of parameter breaches

Any market maker's accreditation to this program may be cancelled in the event of more than twelve unjustified breaches of the activity parameters and/or of the obligations set forth in this Circular Letter and in the Accreditation Instrument, or if the justification is not accepted by B3. The accreditation instrument is available at <a href="https://www.b3.com.br/en\_us">www.b3.com.br/en\_us</a>, Products and Services, Trading, Market maker, Join in, Contracts.

### **Performance assessment**

B3 may assess each market maker's performance six months after the start of its activity under this program, comparing the quantity traded by it in each asset eligible for the program with the total quantity of the same asset traded during its activity period.

If a market maker's share of the total quantity of each asset traded during the period is less than five per cent (5%), B3 may replace it with another institution that has expressed interest in the program.

### Minimum activity period

If a market maker desists from the accreditation process without having begun its activities under this program, it will be exempted from meeting the thirty-day minimum activity period required by Circular Letter 109/2015-DP, dated October 8, 2015. If a market maker withdraws after the start of its activity, it must comply

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with the thirty-day notice period without fail so that its deaccreditation can be communicated to the market.

#### **Benefits**

Accredited institutions will be exempted from exchange fees and from all other fees on trades in any contract months of the securities in this program, and on trades in the underlying stocks or units performed for hedging purposes, provided the latter comply with the criteria and limits established in the fee policy set out in Annex II to this Circular Letter

Accredited market makers will receive remuneration comprising fixed and variable portions determined in accordance with each market maker's performance.

The criteria, limits and conditions for this remuneration are established in Annex I to this Circular Letter.

The message flows, trades and volume generated by the accredited institutions will not be considered for the purposes of the Trading Message Control Policy, as per Circular Letter 039/2013-DP, dated May 27, 2013, and Circular Letter 050/2013-DP, dated July 30, 2013.

### **General provisions**

B3 will resolve any omissions regarding this accreditation process and program. Further information can be obtained from the Listed Products and Data



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# Annex I to CIRCULAR LETTER 045/2022-PRE

# **Incentive Program for Market Makers in Single Stock and Unit Futures**

# 1. Eligibility

Only market makers accredited under the Single Stock and Unit Futures Market Maker Program are eligible for the incentive program.

### 2. Incentives

#### 2.1 Remuneration amounts

B3 will award remuneration net of taxes to the five market makers that trade most during the calculation period, to be distributed as follows:

- a) Fixed remuneration: BRL 15,000.00 for each market maker
- **b)** Variable remuneration: a pool of up to BRL 175,000.00 (BRL 35,000.00 for each accredited market maker) to be awarded in proportion to the market maker's share of the total traded by all market markers in the program, in accordance with a performance indicator calculated by the formula:

$$P_i = I_i \times P_T$$

where:

Pi is the amount awarded to market maker i





Ii is the performance indicator for market maker i

PT is the total amount awarded

B3 will calculate monthly performance indicators for each market maker based on the financial volume traded per participant in the incentive program in accordance with the following formula:

$$I_i = \frac{V_i}{V_T}$$

where:

Ii is the performance indicator for market maker i

Vi is the financial volume traded during the period by market maker i

**VT** is the total financial volume traded during the period by all market makers participating in the incentive program

In calculating the volume traded by the participants, B3 will consider only transactions that comply with the rules and procedures established for its futures market. Transactions that have been cancelled and/or do not comply with these requirements will not be included in volume traded.

B3 may at its sole discretion review the method used to calculate market maker remuneration at any time considering the program's success, in which case it will issue a Circular Letter detailing the new method and any other necessary provisions.



The market makers concerned will be informed of the results and respective values by email not later than the fifth business day of the month after the end of each calculation period.

#### 2.2 Forms of remuneration

B3 will grant credits for use solely to reduce exchange and other fees on transactions involving and Listed B3 products.

Each market maker must choose in which financial instrument it will use the benefit. Designating more than one contract is not allowed. In the case of the cash market, the choice must be for a single asset and in the case of options on single stocks, units and ETFs, on a single underlying asset.

Credits may not be used to rebate exchange fees and other fees on forward and securities lending transactions.

The credits awarded expire at the end of the month following the month in which the market maker operated, and cannot be renewed.

The market maker must also designate a settlement account for receipt of the benefit.



### Annex II to CIRCULAR LETTER 045/2022-PRE

# Fee Policy for Market Makers in Single Stock and Unit Futures

# 1. Eligibility conditions for the market makers

This fee policy applies only to market makers that B3 has accredited for this program and will be conditional upon meeting the requirements set out in the items below.

### 2. Fee structure

Market makers will be exempted from exchange, registration, permanence and settlement fees on buying and selling in Single Stock and Futures Contracts for which they have been accredited.

# 3. Hedge trades exemption

Market makers will be exempted from exchange fees and settlement fees on hedge trades with single stocks/units that are the underlying assets of the futures contract in which the market maker is accredited, in accordance with the criteria and limits defined below.

### 3.1 Limits to exemption from fee on hedge trades

Market makers are exempt from fees on hedge trades only if the total quantity of buy and sell orders for the stocks and units executed for hedging purposes does not exceed the same-day (T0) volume or next-day (T+1) volume (if the futures



contract is held to expiration) of offsetting sell and buy orders for the single stock and unit futures in which the market maker is accredited to trade.

If a market maker surpasses the above limit on one or more days, the exchange and other fees specified in the fee policy for the cash equity market products concerned are charged on the daily excess volume. In this case no distinction is made for day-trade volume, and no other discount offered by B3 applies.

Excess volume is calculated by multiplying the excess quantity by the average price of the security traded by the market maker on the day.

Market makers are responsible for payment in full of all exchange fees and settlement fees on each month's daily excess volumes not later than the second business day of the following month.

## 4. General provisions

If a market maker is deaccredited by B3 or requests deaccreditation before the end of its obligation, the exemptions provided for in items 2 and 3 of this fee policy will cease to be applicable as of the date of its deaccreditation.

This fee policy does not apply to market makers for other securities admitted to trading on the markets operated by B3.