



Key Information Document

Index CFD

Purpose: This document provides key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, costs, risks, and rewards of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

Product: Contracts for Differences (the "CFD") on Indices.

Manufacturer of the Product: EC Markets Group Ltd (www.ecmarkets.co.uk). Contact us at clientsupport@ecmarkets.co.uk or on +44 (0)207 621 7970 for more information. EC Markets Group Ltd is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (Firm Reference Number: 571881).

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⚠ You are about to purchase a product that is not simple and may be difficult to understand.

What is this product?

Type: CFDs on Indices are derivative products traded over the counter (OTC). Their value is based on the price of an underlying stock market index. A list of indices available as CFDs on the EC Markets platform can be found at www.ecmarkets.co.uk.

Term: Cash Index CFDs have no maturity date and no minimum holding period. Index futures CFDs have a predefined expiry date corresponding to the underlying futures contract. EC Markets may automatically close positions if sufficient margin is not maintained. Retail clients benefit from Negative Balance Protection.

Objective: This product allows investors to take long or short positions on the performance of an underlying stock market index without owning any constituent securities. CFDs are leveraged products. To open a position you deposit a percentage of the total position value as margin. The maximum leverage available for retail clients is 20:1 for major indices and 10:1 for non-major indices.

Illustrative example: The fictional XYZ 100 Index is priced at 10,000 points and you open a long CFD position at £1 per point. The total value of the position is £10,000. Assuming a margin requirement of 5%, you would need to deposit £500 to open the position. This represents leverage of 20:1. If the index increased by 100 points, you would make a profit of £100. If it decreased by 100 points, you would incur a loss of £100. These figures exclude applicable costs and charges and are provided solely to explain how the product works. They are not an indication of future performance.

Intended retail investor: This product is intended for retail investors who have the necessary experience and knowledge to trade leveraged products and who are able to understand and willing to accept the risks associated with such products. Retail investors should understand how CFD prices are derived, the key concepts of margin and leverage, and the possibility of capital loss. This product targets retail investors who have speculative and/or hedging objectives, wish to diversify their portfolio, have

appropriate financial means, and have the ability to bear the loss of the initial amount invested, subject to the NBP provided by EC Markets.

What are the risks, and what could I get in return?

Risk Indicator

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Lower risk

Higher risk

Risk Indicator: The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of market movements or because EC Markets is unable to pay you. We have classified this product as **7 out of 7, the highest risk class**. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a very high level, and poor market conditions are very likely to impact our capacity to pay you.

Because CFDs are leveraged products, relatively small movements in the value of the underlying stock market index may result in proportionately larger gains or losses. Index values are influenced by the collective performance of their constituent securities, macroeconomic conditions, central bank policy, geopolitical events and investor sentiment. If you are a retail client, the total loss you may incur will never exceed the entirety of the invested amount since you benefit from NBP. However, there is no capital protection against market, credit, or liquidity risks.

Be aware of currency risk. Where an Index CFD is denominated in a currency different from your account currency, profits, losses and associated charges will be converted into your account currency using the prevailing exchange rate. Exchange rate fluctuations may therefore affect your overall return.

This product does not include any protection from future market performance, so you could lose some or all of your investment. If EC Markets is not able to pay you what is owed, you could lose your entire investment. However, you may benefit from Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) protection (see the section "What happens if EC Markets is unable to pay you?"). You should also be aware of counterparty risk, margin rates, leverage, and related risks which may impact your investment.

Investment Performance Information

What is likely to affect my returns?

Returns are primarily affected by movements in the underlying index. If you are long, rising index prices are likely to have a positive effect; if you are short, falling index prices are likely to have a positive effect. Index values may be influenced by macroeconomic conditions, interest rates, corporate earnings, political events and market sentiment.

What could affect my return positively?

If the market moves in the direction you anticipate, your return may increase. For example, if you hold a long position on an index CFD, an increase in the value of the underlying index is likely to have a positive impact on your return. Conversely, if you hold a short position, a decrease in the value of the underlying index is likely to have a positive impact on your return.

The value of a stock market index is influenced by a range of factors, including the financial performance of its constituent companies, economic growth, inflation, employment data, interest rate decisions, central bank policy, geopolitical developments and overall investor confidence. Changes affecting major sectors or heavily weighted constituents within an index may also have a significant impact on its value. Positive corporate earnings, improving economic conditions and favourable market sentiment may contribute to rising index values.

What could affect my return negatively?

If the market moves against your position, your return may decrease. For example, if you hold a long position on an Index CFD, a fall in the value of the underlying index is likely to negatively affect your return. Conversely, if you hold a short position, a rise in the value of the underlying index is likely to negatively affect your return.

A mandatory margin close-out rule is applied on an account-level basis for retail clients. This means that when the value of your account (i.e. the net profit and loss, any deposited margin, and any other funds) falls below 50% of the initial margin requirement that was paid to enter all open CFD positions at any point in time, one or more of your CFD positions will be closed out. EC Markets may set a higher percentage than 50%. Retail clients who trade leveraged CFDs benefit from negative account balance protection. Where this applies, your liability will be limited to the funds in your account. The value of CFDs under stressful market conditions can be volatile, which may lead to you being required to post additional margin or having your account closed out and losing your entire investment.

What happens if EC Markets Group Ltd is unable to pay out?

If EC Markets Group Ltd is unable to meet its financial obligations to you, you may lose the value of your investment. However, EC Markets Group Ltd segregates all retail client funds from its own money in accordance with the FCA's Client Asset rules (CASS). EC Markets Group Ltd also participates in the UK's Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS), which covers eligible client money up to £85,000 per person per firm. For further information, see www.fscs.org.uk.

What are the costs?

Before you begin trading, you should familiarise yourself with the associated costs and charges, which are published on our website at www.ecmarkets.co.uk. The amounts shown depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product, and how well the product performs.

Costs over time

The table below shows illustrative costs based on a representative investment of £10,000 for illustrative holding periods of 1 day and 30 days.

Notional Investment of £10,000	Short	Long
Total Costs	£7.85	£82.00
Cost Impact	0.08%	0.82%

The figures shown are illustrative and are based on a representative notional position of £10,000 in an XYZ 100 Index CFD. The XYZ 100 Index is fictional and is used solely for illustration. The figures assume a single opening transaction and a single closing transaction under normal market conditions.

Composition of costs

Cost Type	Description	Short (1 Day)	Long (30 Days)
One-Off Costs			
Entry Costs	You will pay the spread when opening your position. The spread is included within the execution price and varies depending on the underlying instrument and market conditions.	£2.90 (0.03%)	£2.90 (0.03%)
Exit Costs	You will pay the spread when closing your position. The spread is included within the execution price and may differ from the opening spread.	£2.90 (0.03%)	£2.90 (0.03%)
Currency Conversion	The fee charged for converting cash, realised profit or losses, and adjustments from the instrument currency to the account currency where they differ.	A charge of 0.5% of realised profit or loss applies where currency conversion is required.	A charge of 0.5% of realised profit or loss applies where currency conversion is required.
Ongoing Costs			
Overnight Financing	Positions held overnight incur a financing charge based on the applicable overnight financing rate. Costs increase with the holding period.	£2.05 (0.02%)	£76.20 (0.76%)
Incidental Costs			
Performance Fees	None.	£0.00	£0.00
Incidental Costs	No incidental costs apply.	£0.00	£0.00

How long should I hold it, and can I take money out early?

CFDs are generally designed for short-term trading rather than long-term investing. Holding positions for extended periods may significantly increase overall costs because of overnight financing charges and changing market conditions.

How can I complain?

If you wish to make a complaint, please contact us via the EC Markets app, by email at clientsupport@ecmarkets.co.uk, or in writing to: EC Markets Group Ltd, Parksworth House, 30 City Road, London, EC1Y 2AY. Details of our complaints handling process are available on our website at www.ecmarkets.co.uk.

If you are not satisfied with our response, you may refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service ("FOS"). See www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk for further information.

Other relevant information

Market conditions, including periods of high volatility, reduced liquidity or significant economic announcements, may affect the execution of your orders. In such circumstances, orders may be executed at prices that differ from the quoted price (known as slippage) or may be subject to wider spreads.

Index CFDs are leveraged products and require you to maintain sufficient margin throughout the life of your position. If the funds available in your trading account fall below the required margin level, EC Markets may close one or more of your open positions in accordance with its margin close-out policy.

Before trading, you should ensure that you have read and understood the EC Markets Terms of Business, Risk Disclosure Notice, Order Execution Policy, Costs and Charges Disclosure and any other applicable legal documents, which are available on the EC Markets website.

CFDs are complex instruments and carry a high risk of losing money rapidly due to leverage. You should consider whether you understand how CFDs work and whether you can afford to take the high risk of losing your money. The current percentage of retail investor accounts that lose money trading CFDs with EC Markets is published on our website in accordance with FCA requirements.