

Key Information Document – Spread Bet



Purpose

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

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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

This document relates to products known as ‘spread bets’. A spread bet allows you to obtain an indirect exposure to an underlying asset such as a security, commodity or currency. This means you will never own the underlying asset, but you will make gains or suffer losses as a result of price movements in the underlying asset to which you have the indirect exposure.

This document provides key information on spread bet where the underlying investment option that you choose is an FX Pair e.g. GBP/USD.

. A spread bet (“SB”) is a leveraged contract entered into with CIUK on a bilateral basis. It allows an investor to speculate on rising or falling prices in an underlying FX pair. FX is always traded in currency pairs (e.g., GBP/USD) and involves the simultaneous buying and selling of two different currencies. The first currency referenced in a currency pair (in the example, GBP) is known as the base currency and the second (in the example, USD) is known as the quote currency. The price of the SB is derived from the price of the underlying FX pair, which references the current (“spot”) price. FX trading gives an investor the choice to buy (or go “long”) the currency pair if they think the price of the base currency will rise in relation to the quote currency, or alternatively to sell (or go “short”) if they think that the price of the quote currency will rise in relation to the base currency. For instance, if an investor is long on GBP/USD SB and the price of the underlying FX pair rises, the value of the SB will increase - at the end of the contract CIUK will pay the difference between the closing value of the contract and the opening value of the contract. Conversely, if an investor is long and the spot price of the underlying FX pair falls, the value of the SB will decrease - at the end of the contract the investor will pay CIUK the difference between the closing value of the contract and the opening value of the contract. The leverage embedded within all SBs has the effect of magnifying both profits and losses.

Objectives

The objective of a spread bet is to allow an investor to gain leveraged exposure to the movement in the value of the underlying FX currency pair (whether up or down), without actually needing to buy or sell the underlying FX currency pair. The exposure is leveraged since the spread bet only requires a small proportion of the notional value of the contract to be put down upfront as initial margin and is one of the key features of spread bets. As an example, if an investor buys a GBPUSD spread bet worth £2 per pip (i.e. each 0.0001 movement in the price) with an initial margin of 3.33% and an underlying price of 1.30400 [we use one price for simplicity], the initial investment will be £869.33 [Trade size x Price x Margin requirement as a % = (£2 / 0.0001) x 1.30400 x 3.33%]. The effect of the 30:1 leverage has resulted in a notional value of the contract of £26,080 (£869.33 x 30). This essentially means that for each 1 pip change in the price of the underlying, the value of the spread bet changes by £2 - i.e. a 1 pip move in the direction of the client’s trade means the client makes £2, and a 1 pip move against the direction of the client’s trade means the client loses £2. A spread bet does not have a pre-defined maturity date and is therefore open-ended. As a result, there is no recommended holding period and it is down to the discretion of each individual investor to determine the most appropriate holding period based on their own individual trading strategy and objectives. However, these products are not intended for long term investment and are subject to swap charges for each night the position is held open. Failure to deposit additional funds in order to meet the margin requirement as a result of negative price movement may result in the spread bet being auto closed. Assuming that only one position is being open at the time on the account, this may occur when equity on the account reaches 50% of minimum margin required for this particular open

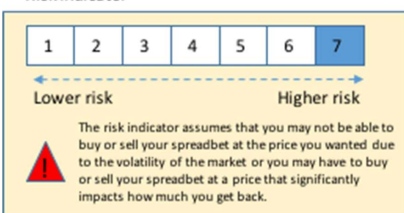
position. Capital Index also retains the ability to unilaterally terminate any spread bet contract where it deems that the terms of the contract have been breached.

Intended Retail Investor

Spread bets are intended for investors who have knowledge of, or are experienced with, leveraged products. Investors should understand how the prices of spread bets are derived, the key concepts of margin and leverage and the fact that although Retail Clients may be subject to negative balance protection, they can still lose their entire investment. Professional clients' losses can exceed their deposits. Indeed, they will understand the risk/reward profile of the product compared to traditional share dealing. Investors will also have appropriate financial means and the ability to bear losses of the entire investment.

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

Risk Indicator



The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of these products compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

We have classified these products as 7 out of 7, which is the highest risk class. This is because there is a very high chance that you could lose all your investment, if you are a retail client.

Spread bets are leveraged products that, due to underlying market movement, can generate losses rapidly. Losses can be up to the entire amount invested (if you are a retail client benefiting from negative balance protection). There is no capital protection against market risk, credit risk or liquidity risk.

Even though Retail Clients are subject to negative balance protection, the total loss you may incur may include the entire amount invested.

Market conditions may mean that your spread bet trade is closed at a less favourable price, which could significantly impact how much you get back. We may close your open spread bet trade if you do not maintain the minimum margin that is required, if you are in debt to Capital Index, or if you contravene market regulations. This process maybe automated.

This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your initial investment if you are a retail client. If we are not able to pay what is owed to you, you could lose your entire investment. However, you may benefit from a consumer protection scheme (see the section, "What happens if Capital Index is unable to pay out?")

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Performance scenarios

The scenarios shown illustrate how your investment could perform. You can compare them with the scenarios of other products. The scenarios presented are an estimate of future performance based on evidence from the past on how the value of this investment varies, and are not an exact indicator. What you get will vary depending on how the market performs and how long you hold the spread bet. The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances. The following assumptions have been used to create the scenarios in Table 1:

FX Spreadbet (held intraday)		
Opening Price	P	1.3040
Tick Value	TV	0.0001
Trade Size (per £)	TS	£2
1*74Margin %	M	3.33%
Notional Value of the trade	$TN = TS / TV \times P$	£26,080
Margin Requirement (£)	$MR = TN \times M$	£868.44

LONG Performance Scenario	Closing price (inc Spread)	Price Change	Profit /Loss	SHORT Performance Scenario	Closing price (inc Spread)	Price Change	Profit /Loss
Favourable	1.3236	1.50%	£391.2	Favourable	1.2844	-1.50%	£391.2
Moderate	1.3105	0.50%	£130.4	Moderate	1.2975	-0.50%	£130.4
Unfavourable	1.2844	-1.50%	-£391.2	Unfavourable	1.3236	1.50%	-£391.2
Stress	1.2388	-30%	-£1,304	Stress	1.3692	30%	-£1,304

The stress scenario above shows how small price movements can rapidly lead to significant losses, including losses greater than the initial margin requirement and can also result in a forced close out of your positions if you do not maintain the minimum margin requirements to keep your positions open. It is possible to lose the total balance on your account.

This does not take into account a situation where we are unable to pay you.

The scenarios shown illustrate how your investment could perform. You can compare them with the scenarios of other products. The scenarios presented are an estimate of future performance and are not exact indicators. What you get will vary depending on how the market performs and how long you keep the investment.

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back. This performance scenario assumes you only have one position open, and does not take into account the negative or positive cumulative balance you may have if you have multiple open positions with us.

A Spread Bet is a leveraged financial derivative that follows the price of an underlying financial market.

A Spread Bet will make gains or incur losses as a result of price movements in the underlying asset. A Spread Bet will be quoted with a buy price and a sell price, with the difference being the spread fee.

Spreads will affect the returns of your investment. The price of a Spread Bet may be affected by factors such as inflation, interest rates, geopolitical events, government policy and economic factors.

What could affect my return positively?

A position that is taken at a buy price (going long) will make a profit if closed at a higher sell price.

A position that is taken at a sell price (going short) will make a profit if closed at a lower buy price.

What could affect my return negatively?

A position that is taken at a buy price (going long) will incur a loss if closed at a lower sell price.

A position that is taken at a sell price (going short) will incur a loss if closed at a higher buy price.

Severely adverse market conditions can negatively impact your positions. If your margin level is at or below the margin close-out level, we will close any or all of your open positions as quickly as possible. This may result in the loss of your entire account balance.

What happens if Capital Index is unable to pay out?

If Capital Index is unable to meet its financial obligations to you, you may lose the value of your investment. Capital Index segregates all retail client funds from its own money in accordance with the UK FCA's Client Asset rules. Should segregation fail, your investment is covered by the UK's Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) which covers eligible investments up to £85,000 per person, per firm. See www.fscs.org.uk

What are the costs?

This table shows the different type of cost categories and their meaning.

Cash	One off Entry or Exit Costs	Spread	The difference between the buy price and the sell price is called the spread. This cost is realised each time you open and close a trade
	Ongoing Costs	Daily Holding Costs (Swaps)	A fee is charged to your account for each night that your position is held. This means the longer you hold a position, the more it costs. The current swaps fee can be referenced within the trading platform in the symbol specification section.

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

Spreadbets are intended for short term trading, in some cases intraday and are generally not suitable for long term investments. There is no recommended holding period, no cancellation period and therefore no cancellation fees. **You can open and close a spreadbet on a commodity at any time during market hours.**

How can I complain?

If you wish to make a complaint, you should contact our Client Services Team on +44 20 7060 5120, or email Complaints@capitalindex.com, or in writing to Capital Index (UK) Ltd 75, King William Street, London, EC4N 7BE. If, after receiving a Final Response from the firm, you do not feel that your complaint has been resolved satisfactorily, you may refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). See www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk for further information.

Other relevant information

If there is a time lag between the time you place your order and the moment it is executed, your order may not be executed at the price you expected.

The Legal Documents section of our website contains important information regarding your account. You should ensure that you are familiar with all the terms and policies that apply to your account. These can be found on our website www.capitalindex.com

For Retail Clients, a margin close out rule is applied on an account level basis. This means that when the value of the account equity falls below 50% of the initial margin requirement (that was paid to enter into all of the open CFD and/or spread bet positions at any point in time), one or more CFD and/or spread bet positions will be closed out. We may set a higher percentage than 50%.

Professional clients can lose more than their deposits and they may be required to deposit additional funds to cover their losses.