

MORRISON SECURITIES BEST EXECUTION POLICY

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Australian Government introduced legislation to allow for competitive stock exchanges within Australia, in accordance with the ASIC Market Integrity Rules, Morrison Securities Pty Limited AFSL No. 241737 (**Morrison Securities**) as a Market Participant of ASX, Cboe, NSX and SSX, has an obligation to obtain the best outcome for its clients when handling and executing client orders in Equity Market Products, where those products relate to trading on the Australian exchange(s). Equity Market Products includes shares, interests in managed investment schemes (including exchange-traded funds), rights to acquire shares or interests in managed investment schemes under a rights issue and CHESS Depository Interests (CDIs) admitted to quotation on ASX. Morrison Securities is also required to establish and implement policies and procedures designed to achieve the best possible outcome for Retail Clients and Wholesale Clients when executing client orders or receiving and transmitting orders for execution. The obligation to obtain the best possible outcome for Clients is referred to in this policy as the "Best Execution" obligation.

This Best Execution policy is designed to provide Clients with a reasonable amount of information in order to allow clients to make an informed decision about whether to instruct Morrison Securities to handle, transmit and execute Orders. Securities traded on NSX or SSX are not traded on ASX or Cboe.

2. MARKET PARTICIPATION AND EXECUTION VENUES

Securities listed on NSX or SSX are only traded on these exchanges respectively and the execution venues are only pertaining to these exchanges. Morrison Securities is a Market Participant of both ASX and Cboe where securities listed on ASX can also be traded on Cboe. Accordingly, the Order Books to which Morrison Securities may transmit your orders may be transmitted for execution are the ASX Trade Match, ASX Centre Point, ASX Volume Match, ASX PureMatch platforms operated by ASX and Cboe to meet the Best Execution obligations. The Order Book to which Morrison Securities will transmit your orders will be determined in accordance with the procedures below depending on whether you are a Retail Client or Wholesale Client, as those terms are defined in the Corporations Act.

3. BEST EXECUTION OBLIGATION

Morrison Securities will take all reasonable steps to obtain the best possible outcome for its Clients. Best outcome means different things for different Clients.

3.1 Retail Clients

For Retail Clients best outcome will mean best total consideration being the purchase price paid by the Client plus transaction costs; or the sale price received minus transaction costs, where transaction costs means all costs paid by a Client that are directly related to a particular transaction. If you are a Retail Client this will mean that Morrison Securities will always attempt to obtain the best total consideration for your order unless you specifically instruct us otherwise. Specific instructions must be clear and unambiguous and in writing. Morrison Securities reserves the right to decline an order which includes instructions which are not consistent with obtaining Best Execution and trading rules may however prevent Morrison Securities from following the Client's instructions or achieving Best Execution.

3.2 Wholesale Clients

For Wholesale Clients, best outcome will include price, cost total consideration, speed, likelihood of execution and any other relevant order consideration or specific instructions. Again, specific instructions must be clear and unambiguous and in writing. Morrison Securities will generally give price a higher relative importance when obtaining the best outcome but may also take into consideration a range of different factors, including the requirement for timely execution, the liquidity of the market, potential price impact, and the size of the order.

4. ORDER HANDLING

When Morrison Securities receives, transmits or executes orders in relation to Equity Market Products on behalf of the Client, Morrison Securities will take all reasonable steps to achieve Best Execution. An order may be received by Morrison Securities via email, telephone, facsimile or via the Morrison Securities automated client order processing system (**ACOP**). Where a Client (or representative of an Australian Financial Services Licensee on behalf of its client) sends an order to Morrison Securities the order will be subject to the filters on the ACOP system and where it meets all the filters it will be placed into the ASX central order limit order book or Cboe central limit order book. Any order sent via ACOP that does not meet these filters will be referred to a Designated Trading Representative (**DTR**) who is then required to make relevant enquiries of the order placer and manually enter the order into the relevant order book if it has satisfactorily met all due enquiries.

Morrison Securities uses the Smart Order Router supplied by external vendor IRESS known as Best Market Router (BMR), to manage Morrison

Securities' Best Execution obligations across ASX and Cboe markets for Equity Market Products. In certain circumstances Morrison may also direct orders manually into a specific order book. All orders that will trade fully or partially immediately will be entered into the relevant market by Morrison Securities DTR's, via ACOP or via the Smart Order Router or by being directed to the appropriate order book.

Once the available volume has been exhausted within the relevant price parameters then the order will reside with the ASX market subject to specific instructions from the client. Any client orders that are not market orders will be entered into the ASX market, subject to specific instructions from the client. If the price on the Cboe market changes after the order has been routed to the ASX market the order will not be transmitted to the Cboe order book unless there is a specific instruction from the Client as to do so would mean a loss of priority. Similarly, any Wholesale Client iceberg order relating to new portions of the hidden order that become pro-trade transparent will lose priority.

5. SPECIFIC CLIENT INSTRUCTIONS

Any specific instructions provided by Clients will be adhered to by Morrison Securities, and by doing so, the Client may not receive Best Execution. Instructions must be given verbally or in writing and must be provided in a manner that is clear and unambiguous.

Morrison Securities will take all reasonable steps to handle and execute client orders in satisfaction with Client instructions.

Wholesale Clients are able to provide Morrison Securities with standing instructions and these must be in writing. Wholesale Clients are also able to opt-out of Best Execution by providing Morrison Securities with standing instructions which are applicable for 12 months. Any Wholesale Client wishing to opt-out for any periods extending past the initial 12 month period will need to renew the standing instructions every 12 months.

6. VENUE AVAILABILITY

It is important to note that:

- in circumstances where one market (either ASX or Cboe) will not be available for trading, is unresponsive or disorderly, orders will be routed to the alternative market unless the client gives express instructions to the contrary.
- the Cboe and ASX markets do not operate in a similar fashion and in particular the opening and closing market times vary, Cboe commences trading at 10am and closes at 4.12pm (Australian Eastern Standard Time) with no auction on the open, close or intra-day trading halts as there is for ASX.
- the ASX Purematch trading hours are the same as ASX TradeMatch however there is no auction before and after the standard trading. These variances mean that it may be very difficult to determine where the best outcome might be achieved.
- orders in Cboe are "day only" orders and will all be purged at the end of trading for the day. This should only impact those orders that have been specifically transmitted to Cboe and clients should give instructions to transfer orders from this market if they wish to participate in the end of day ASX auction.
- Morrison Securities has chosen to use ASX as the default and therefore all orders will be transmitted to ASX TradeMatch for the auction unless a specific order to the contrary is received.

Any suspension of an equity market product precludes Morrison Securities from transacting or matching on all licensed markets unless such suspension is due to a technical failure.

7. CROSSINGS

In addition to crossings on either of ASX or Cboe markets it is possible for Morrison Securities to operate its own crossing system. Such a system is an automated service provided by Morrison Securities to its Clients that matches or executes Client orders with orders of Morrison Securities or its Clients. Morrison Securities does not currently operate such a market. If it is deemed appropriate to transmit an order for a Wholesale Client to an existing crossing market with another Market Participant then that other Market Participant will be required to provide best execution.

8. MONITORING AND REVIEW

Morrison Securities will monitor the effectiveness of this Policy on a regular basis and at least annually. It will also review this Policy whenever there is a material change that affects the receipt transmission and execution of a Client order to ensure the Policy remains adequate. On receipt of a reasonable request by a client we will provide the Client with evidence that the order has been executed in accordance with our Policy and will advise the Client of the estimated time to provide the necessary information.

