

RBC BlueBay UK Order Execution Disclosure Statement

It is our responsibility to act in accordance with the best interests of our clients when placing orders with other entities for execution that result from our decisions to deal in financial instruments on our clients' behalf. This document provides you with information about how we will seek to carry out transactions in financial securities for your portfolio.

Typically, we carry out transactions by passing orders to another person, such as a broker, who then executes the order on our behalf. Alternatively, we may trade directly with a counterparty through a trading venue; or, we may do so bilaterally or "over-the-counter".

Client specific instructions

Where we agree to carry out transactions based on specific instructions that you have given us, you should be aware and accept that this may prevent us from taking the steps that we have designed and implemented to achieve best execution.

Execution of orders outside a trading venue

We are required to make you aware of the risks of executing orders outside a trading venue. These can include counterparty risk and operational risk. If you require more information concerning this method of execution then we would be happy to provide it via your regular client contact.

Relevant factors and how we determine their relative importance when deciding how to execute orders

Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) rules require us to take into account a range of factors in deciding how and with whom we carry out orders. These factors include the security price, execution costs, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the orders and any other factors we consider to be relevant to the execution of the order. In determining the relative importance of these factors in achieving best execution, we will consider both the characteristics of our client and the order.

In general, we aim to carry out orders in such a way that achieves the best possible result in terms of price and costs for our clients, in the context of trying to achieve performance of their portfolio as a whole over time.

For small equity orders that represent a low percentage of the average daily volume (ADV), we prioritise factors such as price over likelihood of execution. However, for large equity orders that represent a high percentage of ADV we are more likely to prioritise speed of execution, followed by likelihood of execution, followed by price.

When executing orders in fixed income securities, different securities warrant different priorities. For instance, for orders for emerging market bonds we may prioritise likelihood of execution and settlement over price whereas for orders for bonds that trade infrequently certainty of execution will often assume a higher level of importance.

When we execute orders in derivatives, we generally rank price and execution costs as the most important relevant factors.

Client orders will be aggregated with other client orders where applicable; this may result in your orders taking longer to execute but may also benefit from economies of scale.

List of factors used to select a venue, counterparty or broker

When RBC BlueBay UK carries out orders on behalf of clients it will seek to achieve best execution by selecting execution venues, brokers and counterparties that allow it to consistently obtain the best possible result.

Typically, we do not select venues, but instead select brokers when trading equities. Execution venues are then selected by the brokers. Broker selection for trading is undertaken by our traders and is dependent primarily on their opinion of who is capable of executing the trade in the most efficient manner. Brokers are reviewed on a quarterly basis by the Trade Management Oversight Committee (TMO). These reviews will take into account the quality of service provided by each broker across the spectrum including execution capability, access to capital and ability to provide natural flow or market colour.

When selecting execution brokers, in most circumstances, our overriding aim is to minimise market impact for orders that are large in scale. Therefore, we select brokers based on their ability to provide natural liquidity as a priority. Secondly, we consider access to broker capital. Finally, we prioritise those brokers whose desk gives our traders information on market trends and other developments which can assist us in choosing a trading strategy.

For fixed income execution on the RBC platform, sourcing for liquidity at a fair price generally takes priority over venue selection. In most cases, our counterparties are listed on all venues we are currently subscribing to and we are indifferent as to which venue we use.

For fixed income execution on the BlueBay platform, execution strategy decisions are made having regard to the relative importance of the execution factors for the instrument in question. For some instruments, there may only be one venue available for trading and in such circumstances, RBC BlueBay UK, will consider that the execution represents the best possible result for the client.

Monitoring of Best Execution

RBC BlueBay UK monitors the effectiveness of its order execution arrangements in order to monitor quality of execution across different brokers/venues. If we do not believe that the quality of execution provided by certain brokers/venues aligns with achieving best execution for you then we may exclude trading with those brokers/venues. We never evaluate the success of a single trade using just TCA as other factors will also be considered such as the speed and likelihood of execution.

FCA rules require us to monitor the effectiveness of our order execution arrangements. We therefore assess on a regular basis whether the execution brokers/venues to whom we transmit orders achieve best execution on a consistent basis.

Consent to the Policy

FCA rules require us to receive the consent of clients to these Order Execution procedures prior to carrying out transactions. We are also required to notify you of any material changes to our processes. Clients may contact us with any questions at rbcgamukclients@rbc.com.

Appendix 1: RBC Platform Execution Venues & Approved Counterparties

The RBC platform places significant reliance on the following venues in meeting its obligation to obtain best execution. This is a non-exhaustive list, any venues used, but not listed here, will nevertheless still have been selected in accordance with the wider Order Execution Policy.

Equities:

- **EEA Regulated Markets:**

Athens Stock Exchange

Borsa Italiana

Budapest Stock Exchange

Deutsche-Boerse (Xetra)

Irish Stock Exchange

London Stock Exchange

Madrid Stock Exchange

NYSE Euronext (Paris, Amsterdam, Brussels, Lisbon)

OMX Exchanges (includes exchanges in Denmark, Sweden and Finland)

Oslo Stock Exchange

Prague Stock Exchange

Vienna Stock Exchange

- **Non EEA Regulated Markets:**

American Stock Exchange

Australian Stock Exchange

Bangkok Stock Exchange

Bombay Stock Exchange

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

Istanbul Stock Exchange

Jakarta Stock Exchange

Johannesburg Stock Exchange

Korea Stock Exchange

National Stock Exchange

NASDAQ

New York Stock Exchange

Mexican Stock Exchange
Philippine Stock Exchange
Sao Paulo Stock Exchange BOVESPA
Shanghai Stock Exchange
Shenzhen Stock Exchange
Singapore Stock Exchange
SWX Europe
SWX Swiss Exchange
Tel Aviv Stock Exchange
Tokyo Stock Exchange
Toronto Stock Exchange

Fixed Income:

Bloomberg
MarketAxess
Tradeweb

Derivatives:

Eurex
Liffe
CBOT
NYMEX
LME
Bloomberg SEF
SFE-ASX
KFE

Appendix 2: BlueBay Platform Execution Venues & Approved Counterparties

The BlueBay platform places significant reliance on the following venues in meeting its obligation to obtain best execution. This is a non-exhaustive list, any venues used, but not listed here, will nevertheless still have been selected in accordance with the wider Order Execution Policy.

Fixed Income:

A&NZ Banking Group	Deutsche Bank	RBC
BAML	Goldman Sachs	RBS
Bank of Nova Scotia	HSBC	Santander
Barclays	ING	Societe Generale
BBVA	Jefferies	Standard Chartered
BNP Paribas	JP Morgan	UBS
Cantor Fitzgerald	Mitsubishi UFJ	Unicredit
Citigroup	Mizuho	Wells Fargo
Commerzbank	Morgan Stanley	
Credit Agricole	Nomura	

Exchange Traded Derivatives:

Barclays	Goldman Sachs	Nomura
Citigroup	HSBC	UBS
ED&F Man	Morgan Stanley	

OTC Derivatives:

BAML	Deutsche Bank	Morgan Stanley
Barclays	Goldman Sachs	Societe Generale
BNP Paribas	HSBC	
Citigroup	JP Morgan	

Currency:

BAML	Deutsche Bank	RBS
Barclays	Goldman Sachs	SEB Bank
BBH (Custodian)	HSBC	Societe Generale
BNP Paribas	JP Morgan	Standard Chartered
Citigroup	Morgan Stanley	State Street (Custodian)

Equities:

BAML	Jefferies	Seaport Group
Cantor Fitzgerald	JP Morgan	Weeden
Citigroup	Mariana Capital	Wells Fargo
Deutsche Bank	Mitsubishi UFJ	

DSD Holdings
Intermonte

Morgan Stanley
Sanford Bernstein

Securities Financing Transactions:

BAML
Bank of Nova Scotia
Barclays
BNP Paribas

Citigroup
HSBC
ING
JP Morgan

Nomura
Standard Chartered

Structured Products:

BAML
Banca IMI
Barclays
BNP Paribas
Citigroup

Deutsche Bank
DZ Bank
Goldman Sachs
HSBC
JP Morgan

Morgan Stanley
Nomura
Wells Fargo

Clearing Brokers:

Citigroup
Goldman Sachs
Morgan Stanley

Appendix 3: BlueBay Platform Regulated Markets, MTF's and OTF's

The BlueBay platform may use the following Regulated Markets, multilateral trading facilities (“MTFs”) and organised trading facilities (“OTFs”) when obtaining best execution. BlueBay may use venues not listed below where it deems appropriate in accordance with the wider Order Execution Policy.

Electronic Platforms (Multilateral Trading Facilities):

Bloomberg

Liquidnet

FXGO

FX Connect

FXall

MarketAxess

Tradeweb