

## **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.

### **Product**

Product Name	Share CFD	
Product Manufacturer	Interactive Brokers (U.K.) Limited (IBUK)	
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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**

An Over the Counter ("OTC") Derivative Contract for Difference ("CFD") - Share CFD.

### **Objectives**

A Share CFD is not a listed instrument but is traded as an over-the-counter contract between you and IBUK.

The objective of trading this product is to gain exposure to price movements on the underlying share without actually owning the share. A Share CFD is an agreement between you and IBUK to exchange the difference in price of the underlying over a period of time. The difference to be exchanged is determined by the change in the reference price of the underlying. Thus, if the underlying rises in price, and you are long CFD, you receive cash from IBUK and vice versa. A Share CFD can be bought long or sold short to suit your view of market direction in the future.

A Share CFD is a leveraged product that requires you to deposit a smaller amount of cash as margin rather than paying the full value of your exposure. The level of leverage depends on the margin requirement for the individual Share CFD. You will pay an initial margin upfront when the position is opened. For retail investors, the FCA mandates a minimum initial margin of 20% of the notional value of the Share CFD and requires IBUK to liquidate open positions latest if the qualifying equity (CFD cash and unrealized CFD P&L) in your CFD account falls below 50% of the initial margin requirements for all CFD positions. In addition, IBUK establishes house-margin requirements based on historic volatility of the underlying, and other factors, and will apply the house-margin requirement if it is higher than the FCA requirement.

A Share CFD does not have a pre-defined maturity date (i.e., it is an open-ended investment to be bought and sold at your discretion). There is no recommended holding period or contract expiration implicit in this instrument, you have the discretion to determine the appropriate holding period based on your own individual trading strategy and objectives, however your position will only be kept open to the extent that you have available margin.

#### **Intended Retail Investor**

Trading in this product will not be appropriate for every investor. This product is intended for investors who have knowledge of, or are experienced with, leveraged products; who have a high risk tolerance; and who understand that they may lose more than the initial margin deposited to open the position. Note, however, that the FCA prescribes that losses reported by a retail investor cannot in aggregate exceed the funds invested in a retail CFD account.

By way of example, you deposit £10,000 in your retail CFD account and open a long position with a notional value of £20,000. The initial margin paid to open the position is £4,000. If the position loses 60% of its initial value and it is closed-out, you will have reported a loss of £12,000. The loss will consume your entire account equity, but, as a retail investor, you will not have to pay IBUK the negative balance of £2,000 – meaning losses cannot exceed your deposits.

#### **Insurance Benefits and Costs**

None.



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

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 movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

#### Risk Indicator



We have classified this product as 7 out of 7, which is the highest risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a very high level in poor market conditions, which can result in a total loss of the capital you invested in this product. Be aware of currency, leverage, counterparty, margin, slippage, and technical risks. All margins, profits, losses, charges and financing credits and debits in relation to a CFD are calculated using the currency in which the CFD is denominated, exposing you to fluctuations in the value of that currency if is not the base currency of your account. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above. If your account does not contain enough equity to meet applicable margin requirements your open positions will beliquidated. The total loss you may incur may significantly exceed the initial margin requirement but cannot exceed the equity in your retail CFD account. You may not be able to close your position easily or you may have to sell at a price that significantly impacts your realised profit/loss. Markets may fall overnight, and we may not be able to close out your position at a price that would avoid losses greater than the margin originally deposited. In addition, if IBUK is not able to pay you what is owed, you could lose your entire investment.

#### **Investment Performance Information**

A CFD will make profits or losses reflecting price movements in the underlying share. The return on your investment will be affected by a combination of factors such as general market direction, market volatility including potential market shocks, exchange rates, inflationary pressure and related government interventions, in addition to the independent performance of the underlying share. If you buy or sell a CFD in a currency which is not the base currency of your account, the final return will depend on the exchange rate between the base currency and the currency of the CFD.

It is important to note that CFDs are leveraged products which means that losses and profits are magnified by the price movements of the underlying shares.

The independent performance of the share itself can in turn be affected by success (or otherwise) of the underlying business, corporate actions, major company news, regulatory interventions and so on. At individual company level any of these factors can have a dramatic impact on the performance of the stock, including rendering it worthless.

You should compare the performance of your CFD portfolio to a well-established relevant market index, such as the S&P 500 for US shares or the DAX for German shares. This will enable you to better understand the performance of your portfolio, and individual CFDs in it, in comparison to the market as a whole.

#### What could affect my return positively?

A CFD opened at a Buy price will make a profit if closed at a higher Sell price. A CFD opened at a Sell price will make a profit if closed at a lower Buy price.

Favourable developments in any, or in a combination of the factors mentioned above could positively impact your investment. In such circumstances the level of leverage inherent in a CFD will further enhance returns.

For example, if the independent performance of the underlying share is strong and market conditions are good you may see excellent performance. If independent performance is poor but markets are generally performing well, you may also see a positive return.

#### What could affect my return negatively?

A CFD opened at a Sell price will incur a loss if closed at a higher Buy price. A CFD opened at a Sell price will incur a loss if closed at a higher Buy price

Adverse developments in these factors will in turn affect your investment negatively, and if they do, the leverage deployed in the CFD will multiply the loss. Your CFD investment may become worthless even if the underlying share does not. Should the value of your account fall below the maintenance margin requirement, Interactive Brokers may close out your position and may result in the loss of your entire account balance.

It is important to note that a well-diversified portfolio reduces the risk to your investment overall. By contrast, a concentrated portfolio makes you entire investment vulnerable to extreme moves in individual shares.

Even well diversified portfolios may see significant losses during periods of high market volatility due to leverage. As set out above, such volatility, even if temporary, can trigger automatic liquidations realizing your losses before the underlying shares have an opportunity to recover.



# What happens if IBUK is unable to pay out?

If IBUK is unable to pay out, you may lose the value of your investment. IBUK segregates all client funds from its own money as required by the UK FCA Client Assets rules. IBUK is a member of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. This means that if IBUK is unable to pay out, retail investors and certain other investors may be eligible to make a claim of up to £85,000 but may otherwise lose all of their initial investment and any returns generated on their initial investment. Please refer to www.fscs.org.uk for detailed information and eligibility criteria.

## What are the costs?

The Reduction in Yield (RIY) shows what impact the total costs you pay will have on the investment return you might get. The total costs take into account one-off, ongoing and incidental costs. The amounts shown here are cumulative costs of the product itself for an estimated holding period of 4 weeks. The figures are estimates and may change in the future.

#### **Costs Over Time**

The person selling you or advising you about this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and show you the impact that all costs will have on your investment over time.

Notional Investment £10,000	If you cash in after 28 days
Total costs	£57.93
Cost impact*	0.58%

<sup>\*</sup>This illustrates how costs reduce your return over the assumed holding period and a moderate return scenario for a medium volatility stock. For example, it shows that if you exit after 28 days, your average return is projected to be 1.1% before costs and 0.5% after costs.

### **Composition of Costs**

The table below shows:

- The impact of the different types of costs.
- What the different cost categories mean.

One- off costs upon entry or exit		Cost impact if you exit after 28 days
Entry costs	Brokerage Commissions of 0.016%. These are the costs you pay when entering your investment. This is the most you will pay, and you could pay less.	£1.62
Exit costs	Brokerage Commissions of 0.016%. These are the costs of exiting your investment. This is the most you will pay, and you could pay less.	£1.64
Ongoing Costs		
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	Financing costs of 7.17% based on an overnight deposit benchmark plus a maximum spread of 2.5% per annum.	£54.67
Transaction costs	There are no transaction costs for this product.	N/A
Incidental costs taken under specific conditions		
Performance fees	There is no performance fee for this product.	N/A

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

### Recommended holding period

There is no recommended holding period or minimum holding period. There are no consequences of you choosing to close your position other than ending your exposure to the underlying at that time.

Early termination may occur in the event your account has insufficient funds to support the margin requirement for your position, or if IBUK for other reasons decides to discontinue the CFD, or if IBUK were to become insolvent.

# How can I complain?

Complaints about the product or the conduct of IBUK should be addressed to Interactive Brokers (U.K.) Limited, 20 Fenchurch Street, Floor 12, London EC3M 3BY (<a href="mailto:ibukcomplaints@interactivebrokers.co.uk">ibukcomplaints@interactivebrokers.co.uk</a>). IBUK maintains a <a href="mailto:Complaints Handling Procedure">Complaints Handling Procedure</a> where you can find more detail on how to submit a complaint and what to expect. In certain cases, you may refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). Please find a copy of the FOS's consumer leaflet.

## Other relevant information

While this key information document is a detailed summary of this product it does not contain all information relating to the product. For product specifications (trading hours, margin calculation, leverage, contract sizes, etc.) please refer to the <u>product section</u> available on our website. The terms and policies displayed on our website <u>www.interactivebrokers.co.uk</u> contain important information regarding your account. You should ensure that you are familiar with all the terms and policies that apply to your account.