Trading Cup - Terms and Conditions

Campaign Overview

1.1 The "Spec Markets Trading Cup 2026" ("Competition") is organised by Spec Markets, the trading name of Spec Capitals Ltd, which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Commission (FSC) of Mauritius (company number 224658, investment dealer license number GB252045999). The Competition is open to new and existing clients of Spec Markets ("the Company") in all countries where Spec Markets operates. By registering, participants agree to these Terms & Conditions.

Schedule

Stage	Description	Date
Registration opens	Online registration	31st August 2026
Registration closes	Entries must be submitted	22nd September 2026
Competition starts	Live trading tracking begins	24th September 2026
Competition ends	End of tracking period	15th October 2026
Winners announced	Official results published	19th October 2026

Eligibility

2.1 Eligible: Open to residents of all countries in which Spec Markets operates. Participants must be 18+ years old (or of legal age in their jurisdiction), complete full KYC verification, hold an MT5 live account, and register via the official Spec Markets Trading Cup portal. Additionally, the requirements outlined in clause 3.1 must be met by participants.

2.2 Ineligible: Social Trading followers, PAMM accounts, Cent accounts, and individuals in violation of the conditions outlined in clause 2.1 are ineligible for the competition.

2.3 Credit Bonus Exclusion: Credit bonuses are not permitted during the Competition. Clients participating in the Competition must not claim, receive, or use any Trading Credit Bonus during the Competition period. Any client who holds or receives an active Trading Credit Bonus during the Competition period will not be eligible to participate in the Competition.

Competition Structure

3.1 The competition is a single open category. All eligible participants compete on the same leaderboard, ranked by Rate of Return over the 3-week trading period (17 September – 8 October 2026).

Requirement	Details
Account type	MT5 Live Account
Minimum Deposit	USD$200
Valid Trading Days	≥10 active trading days (weekends count if a position remains open)
Trading volume	2 lots per USD$200 deposited*
Max participants	Unlimited

**Volume scales proportionally with the deposit amount (e.g., a USD $300 deposit requires 3 lots).*

3.2 Lot calculation

Full lot (1.0)	Reduced lot (0.1)
Forex pairs, Gold / Silver (XAU/XAG)	CFD Indices, Oil, Gas, Crypto

Prize Structure

4.1 Total prize pool: USD $30,000 across 10 winners

4.2 Prizes are awarded by final return rate ranking per the below table

Place	Prize (USD)	Winners
1st	$10,000	1
2nd	$8,000	1
3rd	$5,000	1
4th – 10th	$1,000	7

In the event of a tie in Rate of Return, the participant whose account first reached that Rate of Return (based on MT5 server timestamp) will be ranked higher. If a tie still remains, the participant with the earlier registration timestamp will be ranked higher. If the prize is to be paid into a non-USD account, it will be rounded down to the nearest whole number.

Rules

5.1Qualification: Participants must meet both minimum trading volume and minimum active trading days (≥ 10 days) to qualify for prizes. An active trading day is any day on which a participant has at least one open position on their account, whether newly opened, already open from a previous day, or closed on that day — active management is not required. Weekends are counted as active trading days if a position remains open during that period (e.g., a position opened on Friday and closed on Monday counts the weekend days).

5.2 Rate of return: Rate of return = (Final Equity – Initial Capital) / Initial Capital. Initial Capital includes all deposits and transfers in. Final Equity is net worth at competition end. Bonus amounts (including deposit and referral bonuses) are excluded from the Rate of Return calculation; however, participants may use such bonuses for trading during the competition.

5.3 Additional deposits: Participants are allowed to deposit additional funds during the competition. Any additional deposit will be included in the Initial Capital and will affect the overall Rate of Return calculation.

5.4 Prohibited Activities: The following result in immediate disqualification: hedging across multiple accounts, arbitrage or latency exploitation, price manipulation, server abuse, manipulating bonus funds to artificially inflate Rate of Return, use of Expert Advisors (EAs), trading bots, copy trading tools, or any other form of automated order execution (all trades must be placed manually by the registered participant), or any violation of the Spec Markets Client Agreement.

5.5 Leaderboard visibility: All registered participants who meet the minimum deposit requirement appear on the leaderboard, ranked by Rate of Return, regardless of whether they have yet met the minimum trading volume or minimum active trading days. Participants who do not meet these minimums by competition end remain visible on the leaderboard but are not eligible for prizes and will be skipped when prize ranks are assigned.

Prize Distribution

6.1 Winners announced within 3 business days of competition end. Prizes distributed within 5 business days of announcement.

General Terms

7.1 Participants are responsible for all tax obligations on prizes received. By participating, you consent to public display of your nickname and return rate on the leaderboard, and to use of anonymised data for marketing purposes.

7.2 Spec Markets reserves the right of final interpretation of all rules and may modify rules with reasonable notice.

Risk Warning

8.1 HIGH RISK INVESTMENT WARNING: CFD trading carries a high level of risk and may not be suitable for all investors. Full losses may occur. CFDs do not confer ownership of the underlying assets. The information on this website is general in nature and does not take into account your personal financial situation, goals or needs. Any information from us should not be construed as financial advice, recommendation or an offer to buy, hold or sell any financial product. We strongly recommend that you seek independent financial, legal and tax advice before embarking on trading.

Acceptance

By registering, you confirm you have read and accepted these Terms & Conditions, understand leveraged trading risks, consent to data disclosure, and accept Spec Markets' final decision authority.

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