

EMPIRE Implementation of Monthly Administration fee

This fee was applied to Australian accounts from March 2007 and is debited to members' accounts on the 28th of the month.

This schedule is not to be forwarded to members. We need to be aware of sensitive issues that may arise where some members are charged a different scale of fees and some are exempt altogether. While it can be common knowledge that staff accounts and contract accounts will not be charged this fee, those members who take trade for the sale of property or businesses can be informed individually that the fee will not apply to them.

The reason we have included this fee on spend down accounts and temporary unlisted accounts is to stop members requesting to be unlisted simply to avoid this fee. Where you have a member who refuses to accept the fee, they may select one of the opt-out options below, however conditions attached to each option will be strictly applied.

Account Type	Notes	Admin Fee		
		Exempt	DD in Place	No DD in Place
Staff accounts	Applies to ETX and Member's staff	Yes	-	-
Gold Club Members		Yes	-	-
50% Plus Club Members	Joined prior to 10 September 2007	No	\$5.50	\$11
50% Plus Club Members	Joined after 10 September 2007	No	\$8.25	-
AL – Trading accounts	Joined prior to 10 September 2007	No	\$8.25	\$11
AL – Trading accounts	Joined after 10 September 2007	No	\$11	\$16.50
Contract Accounts		Yes	-	-
AN – trading accounts	Attached to Contract Accounts for Spend down prior to 10 September 2007	No	\$8.25	\$11
AN – trading accounts	Attached to Contract Accounts for Spend down after 10 September 2007	No	\$11	\$16.50
AN –Sold Real Estate	Funds received from sales of RE (properties or businesses) only.	Yes	-	-
AL – Sold Real Estate	This applies to a trading members who has also sold real estate	Yes	-	-
AN – Sold Business	Spending down funds then closing account and who joined prior to 10 September 2007	No	\$8.25	\$11
AN – Sold Business	Spending down funds then closing account and who joined after 10 September 2007	No	\$11	\$16.50
AN – Spend down	Conversion accounts that are free to spend on goods and services and who jointed prior to 10 September 2007	No	\$8.25	\$11
AN – Spend down	Conversion accounts that are free to spend on goods and services and who joined after 10 September 2007	No	\$11	\$16.50
AN – Spend down	When one of the options below is selected.	Yes	-	-
AN – Spend down	2 nd or personal accounts funded by a main account	Yes	-	-
AT	Temporarily unlisted Traders who joined prior to 10 September 2007	no	\$8.25	\$11
AT	Temporarily unlisted Traders who joined after 10 September 2007	No	\$11	\$16.50
LN	Suspended Locked accounts	Yes	-	-
UL UN UT	Suspended – can trade in but not out-joined prior to 10 September 2007	No	\$8.25	\$11
UL UN UT	Suspended – can trade in but not out- joined after 10 September 2007	No	\$11	\$16.50
Sponsorships & Charities	Joined prior to 10 September 2007	No	\$8.25	\$11

Sponsorships & Charities	Joined after 10 th September 2007	No	\$11	\$16.50
Agency accounts	Accounts to operate a regional agency	Yes	1	1
Agent's Business accounts	Joined prior to 10 September 2007	No	\$8.25	\$11
Agent's Business accounts	Joined after 10 th September 2007	No	\$11	\$16.50

Solutions for members who wish to spend down then close their account because of the Administration Fee

The member must advise us in writing that they wish to spend down their balance then close their account because they object to paying a monthly administration fee. They must also advise us which of the options below they choose in order to be exempt from the fee.

Option 1

The member will be unlisted, and Administration Fee will not apply to the account. When a member accepts this option, they must pay their transaction fees up front on the amount in the account to be spent down. The account will be unlisted, and funds cannot be deposited. Should funds be deposited, the Administration Fee will be applied. When the funds are spent, the account will be closed and deactivated. The member does not have the option to change their mind and commence trading again. Should they wish to be active trading members again, they must rejoin the exchange and pay the membership fee at the current rate.

Option 2

The member will be unlisted and the Administration Fee will be waived for three months while the member spends down. The member has the ability to earn trading dollars during this time. If, at the end of the 3 months, the member has not spent all their funds, the Administration Fee will apply for the remainder of the time it takes to spend down. The member has the opportunity to change their mind at any time and return to actively trading status at no penalty.