



The undersigned wishes to compete in the Quarterly Forex Trading Championship™ sponsored by the World Cup Trading Championships®

Please indicate the Championship you will be participating in below, by writing your initials on the preceding line:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter (January 1 - March 31, 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter (April 1 - June 30, 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (July 1 - September 30, 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter (October 1 - December 31, 2024)

#### **OFFICIAL FOREX ENTRY AGREEMENT**

The undersigned wishes to compete in the Quarterly Forex Trading Championship™ sponsored by the World Cup Trading Championships® (“Sponsor”) and has completed an Account Application to open a forex trading account with a broker authorized by the sponsor. An authorized broker (“Authorized Broker”) is any broker who introduces a World Cup Trading Championship forex account to Forex.com or another Retail Foreign Exchange Dealer that may be authorized by Sponsor before or during the competition. If accepted, it is agreed that the undersigned and his or her Account Manager, if any (collectively referred to herein as “Entrant”), shall be entitled to participate in the Quarterly Forex Trading Championship™ (“The Championship”) subject to the following conditions:

##### **1. CHAMPIONSHIP TRADING ACCOUNT**

Entrant agrees to deposit a minimum of \$2,500 US, per entry, in a forex trading account satisfactory to Authorized Broker. Trading may not commence until the account is funded to the full minimum. Additional funds may be deposited at any time, including to meet a margin call as specified in paragraph 6, and will be added to the initial deposit to calculate Total Funds Deposited. Funds may be withdrawn from the account at any time, however, the ledger balance will remain the same for purposes of performance calculations; Withdrawn funds that are re-deposited will not be added to the initial deposit to calculate Total Funds Deposited, unless they exceed the total amount withdrawn. Accordingly, Entrant should consider depositing more than the minimum if Entrant’s selected markets or trading style could require additional margin. In order to demonstrate track records for individual strategies, entrant may open more than one account at the beginning of the Championship or at any time during the Championship Period.

Each account must be separately funded and margined. The same Account Application may be used to establish multiple accounts at an Authorized Broker. Only the best performing account will be used for ranking purposes.

## 2. CHAMPIONSHIP PERIOD

Entrant agrees to begin trading on or after the Championship start date. The Championship trading period will end as of the close of business on the Championship end date, subject to paragraph 12. Open positions need not be liquidated for purposes of determining winners of the Championship.

## 3. PARTICIPATION AND CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

The top three profitable finishers will receive Championship Awards. Awards may be provided by third parties and are subject to availability and change without notice. The top three profitable finishers shall receive coveted, personalized Bull & Bear Trophies. In consideration of participation in the Championship, Entrant irrevocably authorizes Sponsor, in its sole discretion, to obtain and print, publish, televise or otherwise utilize his, her or their names, photographs, account statements, and descriptions of World Cup participation in connection with this or future Championships and with other promotions deemed appropriate by the sponsor. Sponsor may compensate Entrant at its discretion.

## 4. REPRESENTATIONS OF ENTRANT AND ACCOUNT MANAGER

The Entrant represents that he or she and his or her Account Manager (if applicable) are of legal age in the jurisdiction in which they reside and that neither of them nor any member of their household nor any of their partners or shareholders is related to principals or employees of the Sponsor or Authorized Brokers. Each represents that the Account Manager is properly licensed (if required by law or regulation) or otherwise exempt from registration. Entrant's account shall be self-directed unless the Account Manager also signs and is a party to this agreement.

## 5. CHAMPIONSHIP TRADING REGULATIONS

All trading shall be conducted in accordance with a separately executed Foreign Currency Brokerage Agreement at an Authorized Broker. Entrant agrees to the following Championship rules and regulations, which may limit those set forth in the Foreign Currency Brokerage Agreement. The purpose of the Championship rules is to ensure that every Entrant will have the same opportunity for success. Sponsor reserves the right to amend, waive, or interpret any rule if, in their sole discretion, to do so would be in the best interests of the Championship.

- a. Trading in the Championship will be limited to any and all contracts available through Authorized Broker and approved by Sponsor.
- b. Entrant has the option at any time to withdraw from the Championship and either continue to trade pursuant to the terms of the executed Foreign Currency Brokerage Agreement or cease trading.
- c. Entrant agrees to place all orders through Authorized Broker's online order entry platform. Accounts will be subject to executions against the bid-ask spread provided by the Authorized Broker.
- d. Authorized Broker is not obligated to give Entrant any advice or market information except the last price traded and the margin requirements for existing or contemplated positions. Authorized Broker, in its sole discretion, may terminate the participation of any Entrant for Entrant's failure to enter orders in a timely, consistent, and professional manner.
- e. Accounts will be charged \$.05 per 1,000 lot charged for each leg on the entry only.
- f. In the event of errors in order entry or execution, the determination of Sponsor shall be final with regard to Championship standings.
- g. Trading must be conducted in Entrant's Championship account(s). A minimum of ten (10) round- turn trades of any contract number, per account, must be placed during the Championship Period in order for Entrant to qualify for a Championship Award.
- h. Each Entrant agrees that Sponsor has the right to remove or bar any Entrant from the Championship, who, in their sole judgment, would tend to dishonor the Championship, has violated any rule, law, or regulation pertaining to forex trading or who has attempted to benefit from any collusive or other trading irregularity, including but not limited to trading contracts in opposite directions within the same or

similar asset classes in more than one account. Sponsor shall have the same right to remove or bar Account Managers.

i. Entrant gives permission to Authorized Broker to provide Sponsor with the ability to view activity in Entrant's account(s) for the purpose of monitoring Championship performance.

j. Entry in the Championship is void where prohibited by law. Winners will be responsible for any taxation on awards.

#### 6. MARGIN CALLS AND LIQUIDATION OF POSITIONS

Initial margin for new positions and maintenance margin for existing positions must be maintained in accordance with Authorized Broker's requirements, which may be adjusted from time to time without prior notice. Entrants may deposit additional funds for any reason, including to meet a margin call.

Additional funds deposited will not be added to the initial deposit to calculate Total Funds Deposited unless they exceed the total amount withdrawn. Entrants, with Authorized Broker's consent, may liquidate positions in order to meet a margin call. Championship accounts may not be cross-margined by other accounts owned by the entrant.

#### 7. PARTICIPATION TERMINATION

It is understood that if the total equity in an Entrant's account at any time falls below \$1,000, Authorized Broker may in its sole discretion liquidate any and all open positions and suspend further trading. A new account may be established with new funds at any time. Authorized Broker may liquidate all open positions and prohibit further trading for the rest of the day in the event that an account's total equity falls 50% from the total equity that existed at the start of the trading day. In such circumstances, the account may resume trading in The Competition the following day.

#### 8. TOP TRADERS DETERMINATION

The top traders for trophies as specified in paragraph 3 will be determined based on net return. All positions will be marked to the market on the close of business on the Championship end date to determine each account's "Ending Equity." For the purposes of The Championship results, Ending Equity will be ledger balance plus any cash withdrawals, plus or minus open equity, minus commissions due for liquidating any open positions. The Entrants with Ending Equity that show the highest percentage increase over Total Funds Deposited will be the winners. Percentage increase for trophies will be calculated by taking the Ending Equity on the Championship end date minus Total Funds Deposited and dividing by Total Funds Deposited. Only profitable entrants will qualify for trophies.

#### 9. USE OF CHAMPIONSHIP FOR PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES

The World Cup Trading Championships® and World Cup Advisor® are registered trademarks. Entrant shall not and agrees not to, either alone or in concert with others, use the Championship or his or her participation in the Championship for promotional purposes unless approved in advance in writing by Sponsor. If Entrant violates this provision, Entrant may be disqualified from competing in the Championship or future Championships at Sponsor's sole discretion. If found by Sponsor to be in violation, Entrant agrees to pay all legal fees and damages incurred by Sponsor to enforce this provision, and, if applicable, return to Sponsor any award(s) received as liquidated damages.

#### 10. COMMUNICATION DELAYS

Authorized Brokers shall not be responsible for any delays in the acceptance or transmission of orders due to a breakdown or failure of transmission, computer (hardware, software, or interfaces) or communication facilities, or for any other cause beyond its reasonable control or anticipation.

11. INDEMNIFICATION

Entrant agrees to indemnify Sponsor and Authorized Brokers and hold them harmless from and against any and all liabilities, losses, damages, costs and expenses, including attorney’s fees, incurred by any of them resulting from: misrepresentations, breach of any provision of this agreement, the trading in Entrant’s account(s), or legal action brought by Entrant and adjudicated in favor of Sponsor and Authorized Brokers.

12. POSTPONEMENT, CANCELLATION AND ACCEPTANCE

Sponsor reserves the right to modify the length of the trading period, to postpone the starting date or to cancel the Championship if, in their sole discretion, they determine that such action is reasonable or necessary. This agreement shall not be deemed accepted until approved by Sponsor. Sponsor and Authorized Brokers, in their sole discretion, may reject any Entrant’s application for any reason and return it together with all funds submitted.

13. JURISDICTION

This Agreement shall be governed, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois and any cases, claims, and controversies based upon, or arising out of this agreement, shall be adjudicated only by an Illinois state court located in Cook County, Illinois or a Federal District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, and Entrant consents to the jurisdiction and venue of such courts in any such proceeding.

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Account Holder’s Name

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Account Holder’s Signature      Date

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Joint Account Holder’s Name

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Joint Account Holder’s Signature      Date

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Street Address

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Signature of Account Manager, if any

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City, State, Zip

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E-mail address

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Telephone Number

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Initial Deposit