

Q&A



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Splits of ETPs



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1. What is a split?

WisdomTree may determine to effect a split of an exchange traded product (ETP). This is a corporate action whereby the shares of the ETP will be split into a larger number of shares and the price of the ETP will proportionally decrease.

Splits are relatively common in the market in order to reduce the price at which the ETP is traded.

2. Why would an issuer effect a split?

WisdomTree aims to ensure that its ETPs trade efficiently. By reducing the price of the ETP from extreme highs it enables more efficient trading.

3. How will I know if a split is taking place?

WisdomTree will make a legal announcement prior to commencing any split.

The announcement will contain the following information:

- + The ETPs affected by the split;
- + Relevant dates and timings;
- + The ratio, being how many shares each currently outstanding share of the ETP will be split into; and
- + Where security identifiers need to be updated, the updated identifiers.

You can find legal announcements on our [Important Notices page](#).

4. What will happen to my holdings?

When a split is effected, each investor's holding will be split into a larger number of ETP shares and the price of the ETPs will proportionally decrease. The total value of an investor's holding will remain unchanged.

The following table illustrates the effect of a hypothetical 5-for-1 share split:

	Number of Shares Owned	Hypothetical Price per Share	Total Value of Shares
Pre-Split	50	\$500.00	\$25,000.00
Post-Split	250	\$100.00	\$25,000.00

5. What if my holdings are in the form of a physical share certificate?

If you hold the ETP in certificated form (i.e. you hold a physical share certificate), it is expected that you will be issued with replacement certificates. These will be sent by post, at the risk of the investor, to the address on the relevant register maintained by the registrar for the ETP

programme and are expected to be despatched no later than two weeks from the date the split ETPs begin trading. Upon receipt of the replacement certificate, your original certificate will have no effect and should be destroyed.

WisdomTree strongly recommends that investors holding the ETP in certificated form contact the relevant registrar named in the prospectus of the ETP directly to confirm that your contact address is up to date in advance of the split taking effect.

6. What if my holdings are held through a broker, platform or other intermediary?

If you are holding the ETP through a broker, trading platform, custodian or other intermediary, please contact that intermediary for information as to how a split will be recorded in their books and records.

There could be delays in your broker, custodian or intermediary reflecting a split in their books and records. Please discuss this with them if you have any concerns.

7. Do I need to take any action in connection with a split?

It is expected that the split will be automatically applied to all outstanding shares of the ETP at the close of business on the record date. It is not expected that investors will need to take any action.

8. Will there be any impact to trading?

WisdomTree does not expect any impact to trading as a result of a split, however, it is possible to experience delays due to delays in intermediaries reflecting the split in their systems and due to delays in updates to the static data in relevant systems.

If an ETP is listed on any exchange outside of Europe, there could be disruption to trading on such exchange as a result of different time zones. Please refer to the legal announcement, or any notices released on the relevant non-European exchange where the ETP is listed, to see what impact the split may have on trading at such exchange.

9. Are there any changes to the identifiers for the ETP-ISINs, SEDOLs etc.?

This can vary depending on the ETP, but typically certain security identifiers will change as a result of a split. Please see the legal announcement for details of any impact to identifiers.

10. Will this trigger a tax event in relation to my holdings?

A split will take effect by splitting the outstanding ETPs, no new shares will be issued and no shares will be redeemed as a consequence of the split.

Therefore, it is expected that a split will not have any tax consequences for investors.

Investors are nevertheless advised to consult their own independent tax advisers in relation to any tax impact of a split. WisdomTree is not a tax adviser.

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