

Suspended Companies

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This document applies to any index series where it is specifically referenced in the index methodology documents.



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Section 1

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1. Suspended companies*

If FTSE Russell becomes aware that a constituent is suspended, index treatment will be determined as follows:

- If a constituent is declared bankrupt without any indication of compensation to shareholders, the last traded price will be adjusted down to zero value and it will subsequently be removed from the index with appropriate notice (typically T+2).
- In all other cases, the constituent will continue to be included in the index for a period of up to 20 business days at its last traded price.
- If the constituent continues to be suspended at the end of that period (the suspension period), it will be subject to review. FTSE Russell will take into account the stated reasons for the suspension. These reasons may include announcements made by the company regarding a pending acquisition or restructuring, and any stated intentions regarding a date for the resumption of trading. If following review, a decision is taken to remove the constituent, FTSE Russell will provide notice (via an Informative Notice for those index series which are supported by the index notice service*) of 20 business days (the notice period) that it intends to remove the constituent, at zero value, at the conclusion of the notice period**. If the security has not resumed trading at the conclusion of the notice period, it will be removed with two days' notice.

*For the avoidance of doubt, constituents of those index series not supported by the index notice service will be removed at the conclusion of 40 business days, with two days' notice.

**If during the notice period further details are disclosed as to the reason for a company's suspension, those reasons (and any possible resumption of trade date) will be taken into account when determining if the company should remain on notice.

- If a suspended constituent resumes trading on or before the last business day of the notice period, the deletion notice will be rescinded and the constituent will be retained in the index. However, where the constituent resumes trading after the 40th business day of suspension, the constituent will continue to be removed from the index as previously announced but in these circumstances the deletion will instead be implemented at market value unless there are barriers that render a market value irreplicable. In this event, the company will continue to be removed at zero.
- If the notice period expires in the week preceding an index review, the company will be removed in conjunction with the index review.
- In certain limited circumstances where the index weight of the constituent is significant and FTSE Russell determines that a market-related value can be established for the suspended constituent, for example because similar company securities continue to trade, deletion may take place at the market-related value instead. In such circumstances, FTSE Russell will set out its rationale for the proposed treatment of the constituent at the end of the suspension period. The company would then be removed at that value at the end of the notice period.

- If a constituent has been removed from the index and trading is subsequently restored, the constituent will only be re-considered for inclusion after a period of 12 months from its deletion. For the purposes of index eligibility, it will be treated as a new issue.

Appendix A

Further information

A Glossary of Terms used in FTSE Russell's Ground Rule documents can be found using the following link:

[Glossary.pdf](#)

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