FACILITY OF VOLUNTARY FREEZING/ BLOCKING THE ONLINE ACCESS OF THE TRADING ACCOUNT TO CLIENTS ON ACCOUNT OF SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES

(As per requirements of SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/POD-1/P/CIR/2024/4 dated January 12, 2024)

Modes through which a client can request/communicate to the Trading Member:-

If any suspicious activity is observed in the Trading Account, the client may request us to voluntarily freeze/block the online access of the trading account through any of the following communications to us at the e-mail ID stoptrade@agssl.in and/or telephone number +91-7417614125:-

- a) Email from registered e-mail ID
- b) SMS / Call from registered mobile number
- · Issuing of acknowledgement to the clients on receipt of message:-

After validating that request, Member will issue the acknowledgement as well as freeze/block the online access of the client's trading account.

• <u>Time period within which the request shall be processed and the trading account shall be frozen/blocked:</u>

The timelines for freezing/ blocking of the online access of the clients' trading account is as under:

Scenario	Timelines for issuing acknowledgement as well as freezing / blocking of the online access of the trading account.
Request received during the trading hours and within 15 minutes before the start of trading.	Within 15 minutes ²
Request received after the trading hours and 15 minutes before the start of trading.	Before the start of next trading session

1 Trading hours shall be as follows:

Capital Market Segment: 9.15 a.m. to 3.30 p.m., Equity Derivatives Segment: 9.15 a.m. to 3.30 p.m., Currency Derivatives Segment: 09.00

a.m. to 05.00 p.m., Commodity Derivatives Segment: 09.00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

2 To begin with, the time limit of 15 minutes is being specified for the purpose of issuing acknowledgement as well as freezing/blocking of the online access of the trading account. This time limit shall be contracted after a review in next six months after the date of its applicability to enhance protection of investors from suspicious activities.

• Action to be taken by the Trading Member pursuant to the receipt of request for freezing/blocking of the trading account:-

The Trading Member shall take the following actions on the receipt of request through any modes of communications as provided by the Trading Member for freezing/blocking of the online access of the trading account from the client:

a. Validate that the request is received from the client as per prescribed mode of communication and issue the acknowledgement as well as freeze/block the online access of the client's trading account and simultaneously cancel all the pending orders of the said client.

- b. Post freezing/blocking the client's trading account, send a communication on the registered mobile number and registered e-mail ID of the client, stating that the online access to the trading account has been frozen/blocked and all the pending orders in the client's trading account, if any, have been cancelled along with the process of re-enablement for getting the online access to the trading account.
- c. Details of open positions (if any) should also be communicated to the client along with contract expiry information within one hour from the freezing/blocking of the trading account. This will eliminate the risk of unwanted delivery settlement. This time limit shall be contracted after a review in the next six months after the date of its applicability to enhance protection of investors from suspicious activities.

• Process for re-enabling the client for trading/transfers:-

The Trading Member shall re-enable the online access of trading account after carrying out necessary due diligence including validating the client request and unfreezing / unblocking the online access of the trading account.

Intimation to be provided by the trading member to the client:-

Post freezing/blocking the client's trading account, send a communication on the registered mobile number and registered e-mail ID of the client, stating that the online access to the trading account has been frozen/blocked and all the pending orders in the client's trading account, if any, have been cancelled along with the process of re-enablement for getting the online access to the trading account.

It is also clarified that:

- a. Freezing/blocking is only for the online access to the client's trading account, and there shall be no restrictions on the Risk Management activities of the Trading Member.
- b. The request for freezing/ blocking does not constitute request for marking client Unique Client Code (UCC) as inactive in the Exchange records.

The Company reserves right to amend/modify any of the policies/procedures mentioned above from time to time depending upon regulatory, market, external conditions and our internal risk management framework, and the customers can obtain such change/ modification from the Company's website.

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