

**RULES GOVERNING THE SLI SWISS
LEADER INDEX®**

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1. INDEX STRUCTURE

1.1 *Securities universe*

The SLI Swiss Leader Index® contains the 30 largest and most liquid stocks of the entire Swiss equity market, represented by the SPI® Universe (see [Rules governing SPI® Indexfamily](#)).

The weighting of the stocks within this index is based, as is the case with all SIX Swiss Exchange stock indices, on the free-float capitalisation.

To ensure that the composition of the SLI® maintains a high level of continuity, the stocks contained within it are subject to a special admission and exclusion procedure. This is based on the criteria of free-float market capitalisation and liquidity. The index-basket adjustments which arise from this procedure are, as a rule, made once per year.

1.2 *Standardisation*

Index	Symbol	Standardisation level
Swiss Leader Index Price (PR)	SLI	1000 points per 30.12.1999
Swiss Leader Index Performance (TR)	SLIC	1000 points per 30.12.1999

Historical price data has been available since 30 December 1999.

1.3 *Index Commission*

The Management Committee of SIX Swiss Exchange is supported by the Index Commission (advisory board) in all index-related matters, notably in connection with changes to the index rules and adjustments, additions and exclusions outside of the established review and acceptance period.

The Index Commission convenes at least twice a year. It provides valuable input on how existing products can be improved and new ones created.

2. INDEX CALCULATION

2.1 *Laspeyres Index formula*

The SLI® is calculated using the Laspeyres method with the weighted arithmetic mean of a defined number of securities issues. The index level is calculated by dividing the capped market capitalisation of all securities included in the index by a divisor.

$$I_s = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^M p_{i,s} * x_{i,t} * f_{i,t} * K_{i,t} * r_s}{D_t}$$

Legend:

t:	current day
s:	current time on day t
I_s :	current index level at time s
Dt:	divisor on day t
M:	number of issues in index
$p_{i,s}$:	last-paid price of security I
$x_{i,t}$:	number of shares of security I on day t
$f_{i,t}$:	free float for security I on day t
$K_{i,t}$:	capping factor for security I on day t
r_s :	current CHF exchange rate at time s

2.2

Divisor

The divisor is a technical number used to calculate the index. If the market capitalisation changes due to a corporate event (see Section 4), the divisor changes while the index value remains the same.

The new divisor is calculated on the evening of the day before the corporate event takes effect.

2.3

Limits on security weightings („caps“)

The SLI® index endeavours to achieve a broad diversification. For this reason, the index weighting of any single security is limited by a 9%/4.5% capping model. The index weighting of the four securities with the largest market capitalisation is capped at 9%. Where necessary, the index weighting of all other securities is limited to ("capped at") 4.5%. The cap is calculated by means of a capping factor which as a general rule remains constant over a three-month period (see Section 4).

If a single company has issued two equity securities (e.g. registered shares, bearer shares, participation certificates, non-voting stock), these securities are cumulated. The cumulated index weighting will split up in the proportion of their capitalisation. If the cumulated index weighting exceeds the 9% and 4.5% respectively threshold, the weighting is capped. The provisions of this section also apply by analogy where a single company has issued three or four equity securities.

2.4

Free Float

The securities included in the SLI® are weighted according to their free float. This means that large share packages that reach or exceed the threshold of 5% are subtracted from the total market capitalisation.

The free float is calculated on the basis of outstanding shares. Issued and outstanding equity capital is, as a rule, the total amount of equity capital that has been fully subscribed and wholly or partially paid in and documented in the Commercial Register. Not counting as issued and outstanding equity capital are the approved capital and the conditional capital of a company.

The free float is calculated on the basis of listed shares only. If a company offers several different categories of listed participation rights, each is treated separately for the purposes of index calcu-

lation. But for the limits on security weightings (see Section 2.3) the categories will be cumulated.

2.4.1

Shares in fixed ownership: definition

Fundamentally deemed to be shares held in firm hands are shareholdings that have been acquired by a person or group of persons in companies domiciled in Switzerland and which, upon exceeding or falling below the 5% or higher threshold values defined in [Arts. 20 et seq. SESTA](#), have been reported to SIX Swiss Exchange.

The threshold values defined Art. 20 SESTA are, as of 5%, applicable analogously to companies domiciled abroad.

Shares of persons and groups of persons who are subject to a shareholder agreement which is binding for more than 5% of the listed shares or who, according to publicly known facts, have a long-term interest in a company are also deemed to be in fixed ownership.

2.4.2

Sources of information

For the calculation of the number of shares in firm hands, SIX Swiss Exchange may also use other sources than the reports submitted under Art. 20 SESTA and [Art. 55 Listing Rules, Annex 1 Admission Board Circular No. 1](#). In particular, SIX Swiss Exchange may use data gained from issuer surveys that it conducts itself.

2.4.3

Exceptions

In principle, shares held by the following groups are deemed free-floating regardless whether a report has been made pursuant to Section 2.4.1.

- Custodian nominees
- Trustee companies
- Investment funds
- Pension funds
- Investment companies

SIX Swiss Exchange classifies at its own discretion persons and groups of persons who, because of their area of activity or the absence of important information, cannot be clearly assigned.

The free-float rule applies only to bearer shares and registered shares. Capital issued in the form of participation certificates ("*Partizipationsscheine*") and bonus certificates ("*Genussscheine*") is taken into full account in calculating the index because it does not confer voting rights.

2.5

Calculation interval and publication

The SLI® is calculated in real time. The index is recalculated every time a new transaction is made for a stock included in the index. The shortest interval is one second.

All index data is distributed by SIX Exfeed Ltd (subsidiary of SIX Group Ltd).

2.6
Prices used

In calculating the index, the last-paid price is taken into account. If no price has been paid on the day of calculation, the previous day's price is used. Only the prices achieved via the electronic order book of SIX Swiss Exchange are used.

2.7
Trading hours

The trading hours for Swiss equities, participation certificates and bonus certificates are determined by SIX Swiss Exchange.

Since the opening phase usually causes strong price fluctuations, the SLI® is first calculated two minutes after the start of on order book trading. This index level is called the "open".

A closing auction takes place ten minutes before close of trading. At the close of trading, the final closing prices used in calculating the closing level of the SLI® are established.

3. ADMISSION TO AND EXCLUSION FROM THE INDEX

3.1
Adjustment date

The changes to the index-basket composition will be made once a year after prior notice of at least two months on the third Friday in September after close of trading.

3.2
Determination of rankings

A selection list in which all SPI® securities are ranked and which forms the basis for the rankings can be downloaded from the [SIX Swiss Exchange Website](#). The position of each security is determined by a combination of the following criteria:

- Average free-float capitalisation (compared to the capitalisation of the entire SPI®)
- Cumulated on order book turnover (compared to the total turnover of the SPI®)

The average market capitalisation in per cent and the turnover in per cent are each given a weighting of 50% and yield the so-called weighted market share.

The time period used for making the calculation is 1 July of the current year through 30 June of the following year. For shares that have been listed after 1 July of the current year, the cumulated on order book turnover will be extrapolated, whereas generally the first 5 trading days for those shares will not be included in the calculation.

Provisional selection list is published following the end of the quarter on 30 September, 31 December and 31 March.

3.2.1
Tolerance zone

In order to maintain the stability of the SLI®, the selection list features a tolerance zone which inhibits changes to the composition. This tolerance zone is +/- 10%. In the SLI®, which comprises 30 securities, it encompasses positions 28 through 33.

<p>3.2.2 <i>Admission criterion</i></p>	<p>A security is admitted to the SLI® if it ranks 27 or better in the selection list.</p> <p>A share ranked 28, 29 or 30 is admitted only if another share included in the SLI® meets the exclusion criteria directly (position 34 or lower) and no share that either meets the admission criteria directly (position 27 or higher) or is rated higher has moved up in its place.</p>
<p>3.2.3 <i>Exclusion criterion</i></p>	<p>A security is excluded from the SLI® if it ranked 34 or lower in the selection list. A security ranked 31, 32 or 33 is excluded only if another share meets the admission criteria directly (position 27 or higher) and no share that either meets the exclusion criteria directly (position 34 or lower) or is rated lower has been excluded in its place.</p>
<p>3.2.4 <i>Additional criterion for the admission of companies whose securities have a primary listing on several exchanges and less than 50% of their total turnover is generated on SIX Swiss Exchange</i></p>	<p>A security is admitted to the SLI® if it fulfils the provisions of Section 3.2.2 and, as measured solely on the basis of cumulated on order book turnover in keeping with Section 3.2, ranks 27 or better in the selection list.</p> <p>In assessing the relevant proportion of turnover, only the trading turnover on those exchanges where the company has a primary listing will be taken into account.</p>
<p>3.2.5 <i>Additional criterion for the exclusion of companies whose securities have a primary listing on several exchanges and less than 50% of their total turnover is generated on SIX Swiss Exchange</i></p>	<p>A security is excluded from the SLI® if it fulfils the provisions of Section 3.2.3 or, as measured solely on the basis of cumulated on order book turnover in keeping with Section 3.2, ranks 34 or lower in the selection list.</p> <p>In assessing the relevant proportion of turnover, only the trading turnover on those exchanges where the company has a primary listing will be taken into account.</p>
<p>3.3 <i>Reallocations outside accepted review and acceptance period</i></p>	<p>In the case of major market changes as a result of capital events such as mergers or new listings, the Executive Committee of SIX Swiss Exchange can decide at the request of the Index Commission that a security should be admitted to the SLI® outside the accepted admission period as long as it clearly fulfils the criteria. For the same reasons, a security can also be excluded if the requirements for admission to the SLI® are no longer fulfilled. As a general rule, extraordinary acceptances into the index take place after a three-month period, this on a quarterly basis after the close of trading on the third Friday of March, June, September and December as follows:</p>

Latest listing date	Earliest extraordinary acceptance date
5 trading days prior to the end of November	March
5 trading days prior to the end of February	June
5 trading days prior to the end of May	September
5 trading days prior to the end of August	December

4. INDEX ADJUSTMENTS

4.1

Ordinary adjustment dates

The number of securities and free-float shares are adjusted on two ordinary adjustment dates a year:

- The third Friday in March (after close of trading)
- The third Friday in September (after close of trading)

SIX Swiss Exchange may conduct a capital survey among issuers in order to obtain the required data.

The announcement of the provisional new securities occurs at least one month before the adjustment date. SIX Swiss Exchange reserves the right to take account of recent changes before the adjustment date, so the definite new securities are announced only five trading days before the adjustment date.

The capping factors are adjusted on a quarterly basis. In addition to the dates mentioned above, the following dates are adjustment dates:

- The third Friday in June (after close of trading)
- The third Friday in December (after close of trading)

The capping factors are calculated five trading days before the adjustment date. For the March and September reviews, the calculation is based on the definite new share numbers and free float figures for the next adjustment date.

The four stocks to be capped at 9% will be determined as a part of the September review by means of the half-year rankings, which are based on the average daily capitalisation of the previous two quarters (01.01.-30.06.). This determination remains applicable to all adjustment deadlines for this period.

- 4.2
Extraordinary adjustment of the number of shares
- In order to maintain the stability of the index and avoid frequent minor changes to the weighting, a change of the total number of outstanding securities leads to an extraordinary adjustment only if it is equal to or greater than five percent.
- If an increase amounts to a change of less than five percent, it is taken into account in the next event and added to it. If the cumulative change is equal to or greater than 5%, the total number of outstanding securities is adjusted outside the ordinary dates on the day of the corporate event responsible for the cumulative change. A notification period of 10 trading days applies. In exceptional cases, SIX Swiss Exchange reserves the right to make this adjustment without observing the notification period.
- 4.3
Extraordinary adjustment of the free float
- If the free float changes by 10 percentage points or more in a given year, the extraordinary adjustment is made immediately. A notification period of 10 trading days applies. In exceptional cases, SIX Swiss Exchange reserves the right to make this adjustment without observing the notification period.
- If the free float changes as a result of an extraordinary adjustment of the number of shares, the free float is adjusted at the same time as the number of shares even if the free float changes by less than ten percentage points.
- After a takeover, SIX Swiss Exchange may, in exceptional cases, adjust the free float of the company in question upon publication of the end results. A five-day notification period applies. At the same time, SIX Swiss Exchange may exclude the security from the relevant index family.
- 4.4
Extraordinary adjustment of the capping factors
- An extraordinary capping procedure will take place if, upon the inclusion of a new issue into the given index according to section 3.3, this new issue would have a weighting in excess of 4.5%.
- The calculation and announcement of the new capping factors will generally take place five trading days – but at least one trading day – prior to the event in question. The calculation will be based on closing prices on the calculation day itself.
- 4.5
Dividend and other payments
- 4.5.1
Regular cash dividend
- Regular cash dividend payments do not result in adjustments to the divisors of price indices. Dividends are, however, fully taken account of in performance indices.

	Divisor performance indices	Divisor price indices	Dividend points
Regular cash dividend	↘	→	Yes

Dividend payments are always treated as gross amounts, including the withholding tax portion.

4.5.2

Repayments of capital instead of a cash dividend

Repayments of capital through the reduction of a share's par value, which can take the place of a regular cash dividend or constitute a component of the regular distribution, are treated in the same way as a normal dividend payment (i.e. no adjustment to the price index divisor).

	Divisor performance indices	Divisor price indices	Dividend points
Repayments of capital instead of a cash dividend	↘	→	Yes

4.5.3

Extraordinary payments

Distributions (e.g., special dividends and anniversary bonuses) that, contrary to the company's usual dividend policy, are paid out or declared extraordinary dividends, are not deemed dividends in the above sense. These distributions are considered corporate events and also result in adjustments to the divisors of price indices.

	Divisor performance indices	Divisor price indices	Dividend points
Extraordinary payments	↘	↘	No

4.5.4

Share dividend (company's own shares)

Share dividends are not treated like ordinary dividend payments. The increase in the number of shares is offset by the lower price of the share on the ex date. The capitalisation does not change in total and the divisors are not adjusted.

	Divisor performance indices	Divisor price indices	Dividend points
Share dividend (company's own shares)	→	→	No

4.5.5
Share dividend (shares of another company)

The distribution of a dividend on shares of another company is not classified as an ordinary dividend payment and so necessitates an adjustment of the price index divisor.

	Divisor performance indices	Divisor price indices	Dividend points
Share dividend (shares of another company)	↘	↘	No

4.5.6
Extraordinary situations

At variance to the treatment of dividends and other distributions described in Points 4.5.1 through 4.5.5, SIX Swiss Exchange reserves the right in justifiable instances to diverge from those provisions.

4.6
Information on corporate events

Any relevant forthcoming extraordinary corporate events that result in an adjustment to the indices are published by e-mail via Investor Service Equity. This service is offered free of charge by the SIX Swiss Exchange Indices department.

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7. STATIC DATA

Name	Symbol	Security no.	ISIN
Swiss Leader Index (PR = without dividend adjustment)	SLI	3025288	CH0030252883
Swiss Leader Index (TR = with dividend adjustment)	SLIC	3025290	CH0030252909

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