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# SINGLE STOCK OPTIONS CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

## Physically Settled Single Stock Options Contract Specifications

Options Contract Code	Underlying Instrument	Style	Contract Size	Expiry Dates & Times	Strike Interval	Minimum Premium Price Movement	Daily Valuation Method	Expiry Valuation Method	Settlement Method
All codes ending in Q  NB there must be a strike otherwise it is a future	Physically Settled Single Stock Future	The JSE's options are pure futures style American options. This means the premium will be paid over the life of the option. There will be daily variation margin calls for both buyers and sellers	1 option = 1 future which is usually on 100 shares	An intraday auction that starts at noon 12h00 SA time on 3rd Thursday of Mar, Jun, Sep & Dec. (or previous business day if a public holiday). The JSE will automatically exercise any options that are 1 cent or more in the money	One ZAR cent (R0.01)	One ZAR cent (R0.01)	Modified Black formula	The intraday Auction is based on a volume maximizing algorithm between 12h00 and 12h15, if there are large price movements in a constituent stock its auction will be extended by 4 minutes. If the price remains far apart from its last pre auction trade its auction will be extended a further 4 minutes. There could be a 2 minute extension independent of the other extensions if there is an imbalance between market orders and limit orders. Thus the maximum length of an auction can be 25 minutes The uncrossing price from this auction will be the expiry price	Physically Settled

**NB** Please note that on a Futures Closeout day from the time that the uncrossing price for an instrument is published by the JSE the long holders of options are granted 20 minutes to abandon options that are in the money or to exercise options that are out the money.

After this period no abandoning or exercising is permitted and all options that are 1 cent/point or more in the money will be automatically exercised by the Exchange that evening.









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#### Cash Settled Single Stock Options Contract Specs

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All codes ending in QQ  And all codes ending in S  NB there must be a strike otherwise it is a future	Cash Settled Single Stock Future	The JSE's options are pure futures style American options. This means the premium will be paid over the life of the option. There will be daily variation margin calls for both buyers and sellers	1 option = 1 future which is usually on 100 shares	An intraday auction that starts at noon 12h00 SA time on 3rd Thursday of Mar, Jun, Sep & Dec. (or previous business day if a public holiday).  The JSE will automatically exercise any options that are 1 cent or more in the money	One ZAR cent (R0.01)	One ZAR cent (R0.01)	Modified Black formula	The intraday Auction is based on a volume maximizing algorithm between 12h00 and 12h15, if there are large price movements in a constituent stock its auction will be extended by 4 minutes. If the price remains far apart from its last pre auction trade its auction will be extended a further 4 minutes. There could be a 2 minute extension independent of the other extensions if there is an imbalance between market orders and limit orders. Thus the maximum length of an auction can be 25 minutes The uncrossing price from this auction will be the expiry price	Cash Settled

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