



# Deciphering warrant names

- STI 2800MBeCW111230@ (O4ZW)
- STI 2700MBePW111230@ (O4XW)

Feature	Term	Explanation
<b>Underlying Index</b>	STI	Straits Times Index
<b>Exercise Level</b>	2800	Exercise level for index warrants
<b>Issuer</b>	MB	Macquarie Bank Ltd.
<b>Type</b>	eCW	European style call warrant
	ePW	European style put warrant
<b>Expiry Date</b>	111230	YYMMDD Format; 30 December 2011
<b>SIP Symbol</b>	@	Specified Investment Products
<b>Ticker</b>	(O4ZW)	To identify warrant for trading

# Warrant price determinants

## Increase in...

1. Stock Price
2. Exercise Price
3. Expiry Date
4. Implied Volatility
5. Dividends
6. Interest Rates

## Call

## Put



Supply and demand forces can also strongly influence implied volatility and warrant prices

\*Illustration assumes no change in other variables for each factor



# Warrant price changes

Tracking daily % change

Comparing the current price with the last traded price may not be accurate – warrant may not have traded for days/weeks.

Below is a hypothetical example of a warrant that last traded on 16 Dec 11. If an investor was looking at the price on 28 Dec 11 and wants to know the % daily price change, the correct method is to compare to the closing bid price of the previous day.

## **Inaccurate way of calculating daily price change using last traded price:**

16 Dec 11, 10:22 am: \$0.065 (last traded price)

28 Dec 11, 3:36 pm: \$0.050 (current price)

Published % price change in warrant = -23.1%



## **More accurate to look at bid/offer prices over period of comparison:**

27 Dec 11, 4:59 pm: \$0.042 (bid price at close of market)

28 Dec 11, 3:36 pm: \$0.050 (current bid price)

Actual % price change in warrant = +19.0%



\*Example is hypothetical and is used here for illustration only.



# Warrant delta

Measures responsiveness of a warrant

$$\text{Delta} = \frac{\text{Change in warrant price}^*}{\text{Change in underlying share price}}$$

\*Warrant price x warrants per share

<u>General rule of thumb</u>	CALL	PUT
In-the-money (max)	100%	-100%
At-the-money	50%	-50%
Out-of-the-money (min)	0%	0%

Higher delta → More responsive warrant

Note that offer spreads may be widened for warrants that are deep in or out of the money (general rule of thumb is delta <20% or >80%)



# Warrant sensitivity

Single stock warrant example

## Example of a call warrant

Type : Call warrant

Warrant price : \$0.140

Underlying : DBS

WPS : 5

Expiry : 2 Nov 2011

Delta : 50%

## Use Delta Per Warrant (DPW)

Delta per warrant =  $50\% \div 5 = 10\%$

How much does warrant move when DBS shares moves \$0.01?

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \$0.01 & \times & 10\% & = & \$0.001 \\ (1 \text{ tick stock}) & & (\text{DPW}) & & (1 \text{ tick warrant}) \end{array}$$

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# Warrant sensitivity

Index warrant example

## Example of a HSI call warrant

Type : Call warrant

Warrant price : \$0.155

Underlying : HSI

WPS : 1000

Expiry : 29 Nov 2011

Delta : 50%

Delta per warrant (DPW) =  $50\% \div 1000 = 0.05\%$

How much does HSI need to move for warrant to move \$0.001?

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} \$0.001 & \times & 6.5000^* & \div & 0.05\% & = & 13 \\ \text{(1 warrant tick in HK dollars)} & & & & \text{(DPW)} & & \text{(index points)} \end{array}$$

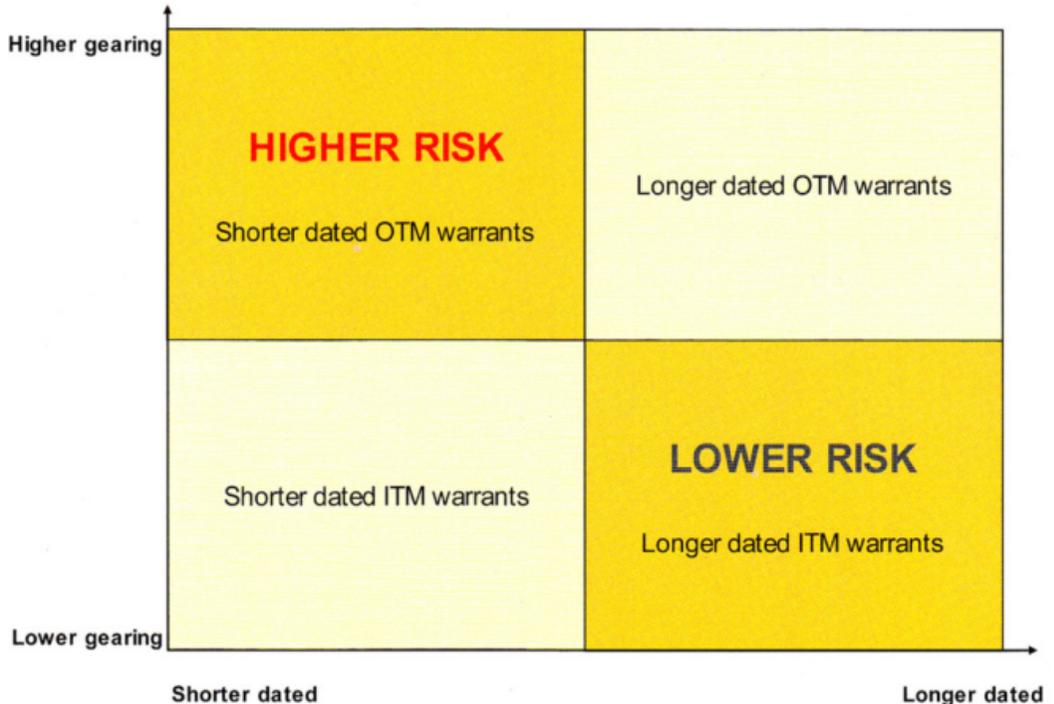
\*Assuming FX rate for SGD/HKD is \$6.5000

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# Risk matrix

Different warrants for different risk profiles





# Measuring effective exposure

Using effective gearing

**Effective gearing can help you determine your effective stock exposure**

Example of a warrant with effective gearing = 5x

$\$10,000 \text{ Warrant investment} \times 5.0 = \$50,000 \text{ Effective Stock Exposure}^*$

$\$120,000 \text{ Effective Stock Exposure} \div 5.0 = \$24,000 \text{ Warrants Investment}^*$

- \* Effective gearing provides an estimate only based on small movements in stock price
- \* These estimates assume no change in other factors such as volatility, dividends, etc
- \* Hypothetical example, for illustration only



# Warrant premium

Calculating breakeven at expiry

## Example of a Call warrant

Warrant price: \$0.200

WPS: 5

Stock price: \$13.20

Exercise price: \$13.00

## Cost of buying the share via the trading warrant

$$\begin{array}{rcl} & \$0.20 \times 5 & \text{warrant price} \times \text{warrants per share} \\ + & \underline{\$13.00} & \text{exercise price} \\ = & \underline{\$14.00} & \leftarrow \text{Breakeven at expiry} \end{array}$$

## Cost of buying the share directly

$$- \quad \$13.20 \quad \text{share price}$$

## Difference

$$= \quad \$0.80 \quad \text{premium} \quad (6.1\% \text{ of share price})$$



# Settlement At Expiry

Warrants over shares

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	<b>Day 1</b> Last day of trading	<b>Day 2</b> Warrant stops trading	<b>Day 3</b>	<b>Day 4</b>		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<b>Day 5</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>					

- **Call Warrants:**

Value at expiry = 
$$\frac{(5 \text{ Day Average Closing price} - \text{Exercise price})}{\text{Warrants per share}}$$

- **Put warrants:**

Value at expiry = 
$$\frac{(\text{Exercise price} - 5 \text{ Day Average Closing price})}{\text{Warrants per share}}$$

- All structured warrants in Singapore are cash settled at expiry. A cheque will be sent to holder's CDP address within 10 business days after expiry for warrants that expire in the money



# Settlement At Expiry

Warrants over STI/HSI

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	<b>Day 1</b> Last day of trading	<b>Day 2</b> Warrant stops trading	<b>Day 3</b>	<b>Day 4</b>		
29	30	31	32	33	34	35
<b>Day 5</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>					

- Call Warrants:**

$$\text{Value at expiry} = \frac{(\text{Settlement level of STI futures} - \text{Exercise level}) \times \text{FX rate}^*}{\text{Warrants per share}}$$

- Put warrants:**

$$\text{Value at expiry} = \frac{(\text{Exercise level} - \text{Settlement level of STI futures}) \times \text{FX rate}^*}{\text{Warrants per share}}$$

\* FX rate applies for foreign indices like HSI