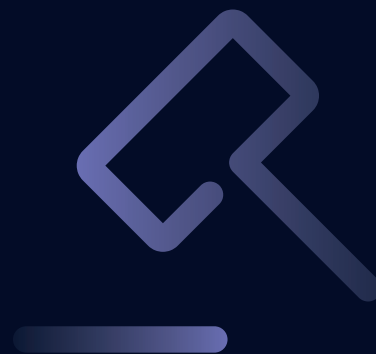


# Auction on Demand

The Aquis Auctions on Demand (AoD) are pre-trade transparent intraday auctions, where Members can enter limit orders or midpoint pegged orders referencing the combined best bid and offer of Aquis + Primary (APBBO). The AoD takes place on separate order books, with MIC codes 'AQXA' and 'AQEA' for Aquis' UK and EU entities, respectively. An AoD is triggered when a valid order is entered into the AoD book. Each auction lasts up to 100ms.



## Key features



### Ability to price improve

Choice of standard limit orders and midpoint pegged orders with limit, allowing price improvement. Executions can occur mid-tick.



### Choice of order validity

Day orders will be rolled into the next auction phase if a residual quantity remains. Orders with a validity of GFA will expire after the first AoD instance they participate in.



### Support for minimum quantity

Ability to specify a Minimum Acceptable Quantity. Orders with a minimum quantity can execute against multiple orders.

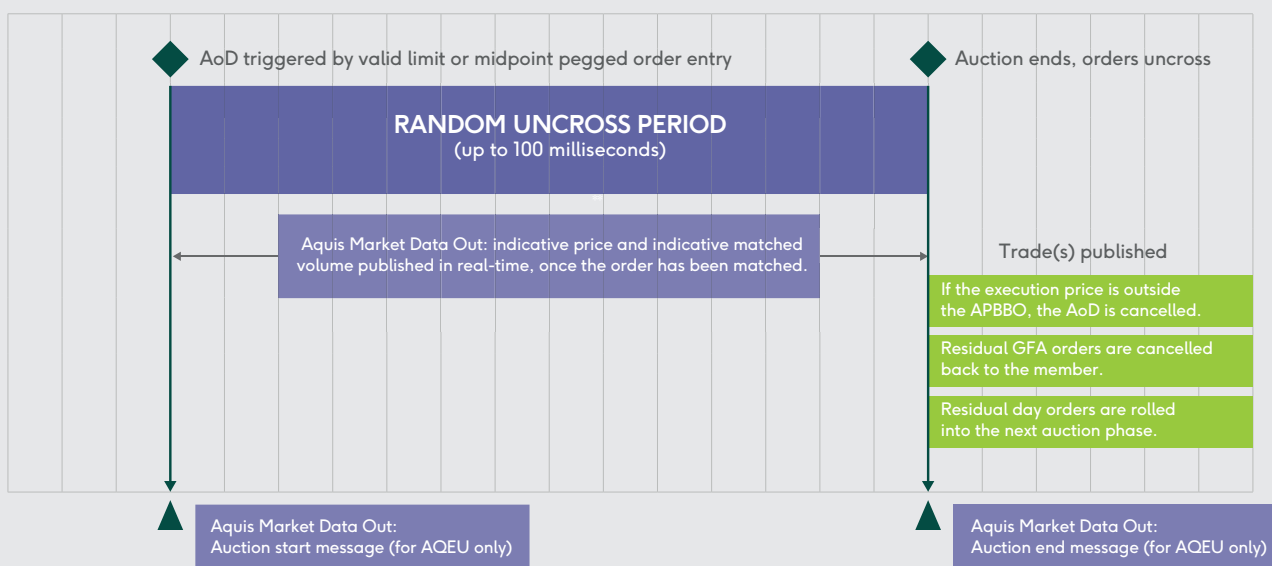


### Fully transparent

Orders sent to the AoD can be in any size and are not subject to dark volume caps.

## How AOD works

The AoD starts when a valid order is entered. At this point the lit auction process begins. Unmatched resting orders are not broadcast. Whenever an order enters the AoD and triggers a new auction, a message is published to show that an auction has been triggered. The indicative price and indicative matched volume are then displayed in real time.



AoD orders are matched on (member)/price/size/time priority.

The AoD is designed to maximise volume, and the auction price is based on all orders entered during the auction. Pegged orders are priced at the APBBO and repriced whenever the APBBO moves. If the midpoint of the APBBO falls outside the limit set by the Member, the order will not be eligible for execution.

## How AOD works (continued)

The matching process considers all eligible Limit and Pegged orders, and applies the following logic:



### Maximise execution

Orders are executed at the price which maximises the execution volume during the uncrossing period.



### Minimise surplus

If there is more than one price candidate in (1), the uncrossing price is the one which minimises the surplus of unmatched order volume.



### Market pressure

If there is more than one price candidate in (2), the uncrossing price is determined by the market trend to buy/sell i.e. if there is more demand to buy the stock, the auction executes at the higher uncrossing price.



### Tie-breaker

If there is more than one price candidate in (3), the earliest price candidate discovered in (2) is used.

Member priority applies once the price has been formed. The execution price must be within the APBBO at the end of the auction period.

At the end of the auction period, residual orders with a validity type of GFA are cancelled. Residual day orders are rolled into the next auction call phase. This process repeats until there are no orders on the order book.

Self-trade prevention does not apply to the AoD.

### Post trade

AoD trades are cleared in the same way as for intraday continuous trading. Trades are sent to the CCP(s) marked with Aquis' main operational MIC, AQXE (for Aquis UK) or AQEU (for Aquis EU). Members also have the option to request self-trade clearing suppression.

### Post trade

The AoD is available as part of the subscription model. Only AoD orders that result in an execution count towards a Member's daily average chargeable message count.

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