# NASDAQ OMX CERTIFIED PARTNERS PROGRAM

#### Service Bureau Qualification Criteria Checklist

Below you will find an evaluation checklist to determine which level your firm falls in the Certified Partners Program. To qualify as a Platinum Partner, your firm must offer access to all of the functionality checked under the Platinum column. This applies for the Silver and Bronze levels as well.

To qualify, your firm must specify to NASDAQ OMX® which of your software product(s) meets the certification criteria. The certified software must be deployed to at least three clients, and be active on 50% of the desks at those firms. NASDAQ OMX makes technology enhancements periodically; the level that your firm qualifies for is determined by your ability to make the enhancements within the specified amount of time after the NASDAQ OMX production release date.\* Certification level only specifies level of functional access to NASDAQ® and NASDAQ OMX BXSM (BXSM) and does not ensure that the Certified Partners conform to all NASDAQ or BX rules.

### ORDER ENTRY AND MARKET MAKING FIRMS

| QUALIFICATIONS   | PLATINUM | SILVER | BRONZE |
|--|----------|--------|--------|
| NASDAQ routing strategies  | •        |        |        |
| NASDAQ order types   | •        |        |        |
| NASDAQ-only order types  | •        |        |        |
| BX and PSX order types   | •        |        |        |
| Ability to send anonymous (NQBX, NQPX) and non-displayed orders on BX and PSX        |          |        |        |
| Ability to submit reserve, capacity (principal/agent) on BX and PSX orders           |          |        |        |
| All BX and PSX TIF values<br>(Market Hours, Extended<br>Hours, Immediate-or-Cancel)  | •        |        |        |
| One click execution against<br>BX and PSX bid/offer (or<br>equivalent functionality) |          |        |        |
| Registered BX and PSX<br>Service Bureau  | •        | •      |        |
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| QUALIFICATIONS  | PLATINUM | SILVER | BRONZE |
|---|----------|--------|--------|
| Connectivity to BX and PSX  | •        | •      |        |
| Ability to send anonymous (NSDQ) and non-displayed orders on NASDAQ                                       |          | •      |        |
| Ability to submit reserve, capacity (principal/agent) on NASDAQ orders                                    | •        | •      |        |
| All NASDAQ TIF values (Market<br>Hours, Extended Hours,<br>Immediate-or-Cancel)                           |          | •      |        |
| One click execution against<br>NASDAQ bid/offer (or<br>equivalent functionality<br>to other destinations) |          |        |        |
| Registered NASDAQ<br>Service Bureau   | •        |        | •      |
| Connectivity to NASDAQ  | •        | •      | •      |
| Completed NASDAQ OMX<br>Certified Partners Program<br>registration form                                   |          | •      | •      |



# NASDAQ MARKET **MAKING FIRMS ONLY**

| QUALIFICATIONS  | PLATINUM | SILVER | BRONZE |
|---|----------|--------|--------|
| Ability to send attributable quotes or orders to NASDAQ                           |          | •      |        |
| Ability to create a new inside via a hot button or quick key                      |          |        |        |
| Ability to send a quote update, including reserve size, refresh increment and AQR |          |        |        |
| Display of market<br>makers' quote/order and<br>reserve size                      |          | •      |        |

## TRADE REPORTING

| QUALIFICATIONS   | PLATINUM | SILVER | BRONZE |
|--|----------|--------|--------|
| Access to trade entry/<br>reporting (NASDAQ-listed,<br>OTC Bulletin Board, other-<br>OTC securities) |          |        |        |
| Provide the ability to monitor trade and clearing confirmations                                      |          |        |        |
| Provide the ability to print internalized trades to the FINRA/NASDAQ Trade Reporting Facility™       | •        | •      |        |

## **ACES**

| QUALIFICATIONS  | PLATINUM | SILVER | BRONZE |
|---|----------|--------|--------|
| Ability to route and receive<br>ACES orders (with equivalent<br>ease to other destinations) | •        |        |        |

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the complexity of spec. change, time for enhancement can be extended at the discretion of NASDAQ. Does not include "clarifications" or "updates." Item due dates are 30 or more calendar days from currently planned product launch date. The amount of time firms have to implement enhancements varies by level: Platinum<30 days, Silver<60 days, Bronze>60 days



#### ♥ More Information

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