

Canstar: Seventh Consecutive 'Broker of the Year' Win for CMC Markets Stockbroking

Recognised by Canstar as industry benchmark for delivering Outstanding Value and Support to all Australian investors

Sydney, 18 May 2017: CMC Markets today announced 'Australia's most recommended stockbroker' has for the 7th consecutive year secured Canstar's most prestigious accolade: 'Online Share Trading - Broker of the Year' Award.

<u>CMC Markets</u> has also been recognised for delivering to the needs of Australian investors across the board, through its <u>Frequent Trader Program</u> which provides packages for three types of stockbroking trader - 'Classic', 'Active Investor' and 'Premium Trader' tailoring the technical features and pricing for each group.

Josh Callaghan, Canstar General Manager, Wealth said, "CMC Markets has been awarded Broker of the Year for Online Share Trading for the seventh consecutive year. In a competitive industry with new entrants and increasing price pressures this is a significant achievement that speaks to the ongoing commitment that CMC Markets has to delivering outstanding value to investors".

"CMC Markets was the only online broker to achieve '5-Stars for Outstanding Value' across all three of our consumer profiles, ranging from a casual investor through to a trader, which means that it has a great proposition across a wide variety of investment needs.

"To achieve this level of recognition requires a sharp pricing proposition coupled with a solid technology platform that gives investors the tools they need to make good investment decisions such as charting, research, reporting and phone support. CMC Markets has once again proven that it is the benchmark for online stockbrokers in the Australian market."

Australia is one of the world's leading share owning nations per capita, and continues to attract new investors.

Andy Rogers, Head of Stockbroking at CMC Markets said he was thrilled to secure the coveted <u>Canstar</u> award for the seventh consecutive year and gain recognition for delivering what investors across Australia in every category need.

"CMC Markets Stockbroking enables self-directed investors to significantly lower the trading costs associated with investing to increase returns and profitability. In the current economic environment, Australian online share traders are also seeking to invest with trusted providers that can offer the right mix of cutting edge technology, products and tools to drive yield," said Rogers.

Today's traders require outstanding service with immediate access to expert assistance, which was also recognised by Canstar.

"In the context of new market conditions our customer service offering, encompassing an award-winning education programme, helps clients to understand markets to better manage their portfolio in volatile market conditions," said Rogers.



Outlining its capability to deliver outstanding value to all its customers, in 2016 CMC Markets was recognised as an ABA100Winner for Business Innovation last year for its Stockbroking Pro platform.

Built to meet the demands of Australia's frequent trader segment Pro platform is a fully customisable HTML5-based online share trading platform with a compelling mix of best value and professional-standard features and tools – such as professional charting and technical analysis, advanced ordering types and dynamic content.

Pro platform gives frequent traders the ability to watch multiple stocks at the same time in multi-screen set-ups, with the added bonus of customisation. The customised layouts mean users can configure up to five different layouts to suit their needs and populate each with their favourite stocks and modules.

CMC Markets hallmark for innovation and ground-breaking technology across its desktop and mobile platforms underpins its ability to lead the Australian market.

"Every day we reward our clients by continually improving our platform, products and service so they can make better investment choices and increase their returns," said Rogers.

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Notes to Editor

Table 1: CMC Markets Stockbroking Frequent Trader Program

	Classic	Active Investor	Premium Trader
Trading activity	Default – new clients or those trading less than 10 times per month	More than 10 trades per month	More than 30 trades per month

Table 2: Summary of packages offered by CMC Markets Stockbroking

	Classic	Active Investor	Premium Trader
Included features	Free delayed data	Free live data	Free dynamic data
		Free Trading Central (technical analysis)	Free Trading Central (technical analysis)
			Free Sharesight 'Investor' package
First 10 trades/mth	\$11 or 0.10%	\$9.90 or 0.10%	\$9.90 or 0.075%



11-30 trades/mth	\$9.90 or 0.08%	\$9.90 or 0.08%	\$9.90 or 0.075%
31 trades/mth	\$9.90 or 0.075%	\$9.90 or 0.075%	\$9.90 or 0.075%

About CMC Markets Stockbroking

The CMC Markets Group, a leading independent financial services provider, offers a range of investment products and investment tools including shares, options, listed managed investments, warrants, interest rate securities and Contracts for Difference (CFDs).

In 2007 CMC Markets launched its broking service, CMC Markets Stockbroking, which is now one of the few remaining non-bank aligned, online stockbrokers in Australia.

CMC Markets has secured Canstar's national award for 'Outstanding Value Online Share Trading' for seven consecutive years, and Canstar's five-star rating for each investor category (casual investor, active investor and trader), for the four years.

Investment Trends latest Australia Online Broking Report (2016) said CMC Markets Stockbroking was Australian investors' "most recommended" and "best value" broker.

CMC Markets Stockbroking is a participant of the ASX Group and is regulated by ASIC in Australia. For more information about CMC Markets, please call 1300 726 093 or visit www.cmcmarkets.com.au

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