

## Do You Still Need to Deposit Money to Meet Stock Options Short Calls Margin Requirements?

In a fluctuating market, as we have recently witnessed, how can our system empower investors to fully utilize their available resources to seize every opportunity in stock options trading?

Good news for our clients using our front office OMS for both Stocks and Stock Options trading!

In our upcoming release, we will be upgrading our system to enable investors to transfer stockholdings from their Stocks Account to their Stock Options Account at any time. This will allow them to cover their short call actions/positions based on their investment strategy. Instead of requiring cash deposits to meet margin requirements, investors will now have the option to utilize their stock holdings to cover the corresponding short call margin requirements whenever needed.

Our system is embedded with a Smart Cover algorithm that can calculate the real-time margin requirement, considering the stock holdings on hand.

This new release will be implemented across the board for all eBroker's front office OMS user interfaces, including DC2/DC3, IDC2/IDC3, and Mobile iTraderX+

# OPERATION HIGHLIGHT:

**Stock Transfer**

From  TEST SACCOUNT  
To  TEST FACCOUNT  
Stock   
Available Share   
Share   
Exchange

Symbol	PrevNet	LONG	SHORT	NET	
CKH50.00F4		-4	0	0	-4

## 1. Easy Transfer Operation – Click and Go

Investors can easily view the underlying stock holdings of stock options and perform stock transfers from their stock account to their stock options account at any time to use them as coverage.

## 2. Smart Cover Algorithm

The system will then automatically recalculate the margin requirement, utilizing the transferred stock holdings to cover short call actions/positions. This helps minimize the margin requirement for the entire portfolio.

Moreover, the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited has announced the introduction of weekly expiries for selected single stock option classes by the end of 2024, subject to market readiness and regulatory approval. We will also be providing program upgrades for all our front and backoffice clients to accommodate these new products. Stay tuned for further updates!

For more information, please refer to below HKEx webpage:

[Weekly Stock Options \(hkex.com.hk\)](https://www.hkex.com.hk/WeeklyStockOptions)