

TAKEOVERACQ

Scope: These rules shall apply to this contract.

Underlying: The Underlying for this Contract is qualifying public announcements by <target company>, <acquirer>, or Source Agencies regarding the success of <acquirer>'s takeover of <target company> in <time period>. Resolution is based solely on the occurrence of specified public announcements, not on the underlying corporate events themselves. Subsequent revisions made after Expiration shall not be considered in determining the Expiration Value.

Source Agency: The Source Agencies are, in hierarchical order, <target company>'s official investor relations website or press releases; <target company>'s official government filings; <acquirer>'s official investor relations website or press releases; <acquirer>'s official government filings; Bloomberg News, Reuters, The Wall Street Journal, Financial Times, CNBC, The New York Times, the Associated Press, ABC News, and BBC.

Type: The type of Contract is an Event Contract.

Issuance: After the initial Contract, Contract iterations will be listed on an as-needed basis at the discretion of the Exchange and corresponding to the risk management needs of Members.

<target company>: <target company> refers to a business entity specified by the Exchange, including corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, or other legally recognized commercial organizations that is the subject of a corporate acquisition (hostile or not) by <acquirer>. Identification may be based on official name, stock ticker, registration jurisdiction, or other distinguishing features. <target company> may be specified in singular form, multiple/plural form, or within a defined set (e.g., "Meta" or "any technology company"). This variable may also take the form of "Any," "None," or "None as of [specified date]." If <target company> undergoes a name change, merger, or reorganization prior to Expiration, the Contract shall continue to reference the successor entity for purposes of resolution.

<acquirer>: <acquirer> refers to a business entity specified by the Exchange, including corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, or other legally recognized commercial organizations that is attempting to acquire <target company>. This includes (but is not limited to) acquirers whose takeover attempt is characterized as hostile (i.e., without the initial approval of <target company>'s board of directors). Identification may be based on official name, stock ticker, registration jurisdiction, or other distinguishing features. <acquirer> may be specified in singular form, multiple/plural form, or within a defined set (e.g., "Meta" or "any technology company"). This variable may also take the form of "Any," "None," or "None as of [specified date]." If <acquirer> undergoes a name change, merger, or reorganization prior to Expiration, the Contract shall continue to reference the successor entity for purposes of resolution.

<time period>: <time period> refers to a specific period of time as specified by the Exchange. This may be defined by exact dates (e.g., "between January 1, 2026, and December 31, 2026"), relative markers (e.g., "before July 1, 2027"), an event (e.g., "during the 119th Congress"), or broader intervals (e.g., "Q1-Q2 2027," "January-March 2026," "2026"). "Within" means the relevant date (announcement, submission, effective, or actual departure, as specified) must fall inside <time period>, inclusive of endpoints unless otherwise specified. "Between" is inclusive of both endpoints, while "before" and "after" exclude the specified date unless stated otherwise. <time period> may also refer to "Any" or "None", to multiple dates

(even if non-consecutive), or to a singular and discrete date or time.

Payout Criterion: The Payout Criterion for the Contract encompasses the Expiration Values that qualifying public announcements have been made indicating <acquirer>'s takeover of <target company> has succeeded, in <time period>. Once that occurs, all other markets for any value of <acquirer> will immediately resolve to No.

For purposes of this Contract, <acquirer>'s takeover of <target company> "succeeds" if **BOTH** of the following categories of qualifying public announcements have been made:

(a) Corporate Approval Announcement: A qualifying public announcement that shareholders have approved the acquisition OR that <acquirer> has acquired controlling interest in <target company>. Specifically, at least ONE of the following must be publicly announced:

- <target company> or <acquirer> announces that <target company>'s shareholders have voted to approve the acquisition (including via merger agreement, plan of arrangement, scheme of arrangement, or equivalent transaction structure);
- <target company> or <acquirer> files an SEC Form 8-K, Schedule 14A, or equivalent filing disclosing that shareholders have approved the acquisition;
- <target company> announces that shareholders have delivered written consents sufficient to approve the acquisition;
- <acquirer> announces that its tender offer has been successfully completed and that it has accepted for payment shares representing more than 50% of <target company>'s outstanding voting shares;
- <acquirer> files a Schedule TO amendment or Form 8-K announcing acceptance of tendered shares representing more than 50% of <target company>'s outstanding voting shares;
- <acquirer> announces that it has acquired more than 50% of <target company>'s outstanding voting shares through open market purchases, private transactions, or any combination of methods;
- <acquirer> announces it will proceed with a short-form merger following acquisition of the requisite ownership threshold (typically 90% or more).

AND

(b) Conditions Satisfaction Announcement: A qualifying public announcement that all material conditions to closing the transaction (including required regulatory approvals) have been satisfied or waived. Specifically, at least ONE of the following must be publicly announced:

- <target company> or <acquirer> announces that all conditions to closing have been satisfied or waived;
- <target company> or <acquirer> announces that all required regulatory approvals have been obtained and no other conditions remain unsatisfied;
- <target company> or <acquirer> files an SEC Form 8-K or issues a press release stating that all regulatory approvals (including, as applicable, Hart-Scott-Rodino Act clearance, FTC/DOJ approval, CFIUS clearance, or equivalent foreign regulatory approvals) have been obtained or that applicable waiting periods have expired without challenge, and that no other material conditions to closing remain unsatisfied;
- <target company> or <acquirer> announces a specific expected closing date for the

transaction, which constitutes an implicit representation that all material conditions have been or are expected to be satisfied;

- <target company> or <acquirer> announces that the transaction has closed or will close imminently.

Both (a) AND (b) must be satisfied. An announcement satisfying only criterion (a) without a corresponding announcement satisfying criterion (b), or vice versa, is not sufficient to resolve the market to Yes. The announcements satisfying (a) and (b) need not occur simultaneously or in the same document; they may occur at different times, provided both occur in <time period>.

The following ARE encompassed by the Payout Criterion (both (a) and (b) satisfied):

- <target company> files Form 8-K announcing shareholders approved the merger with <acquirer> at a special meeting [satisfies (a)], and subsequently <target company> issues press release announcing all regulatory approvals obtained and transaction expected to close next week [satisfies (b)].
- <acquirer> files Schedule TO amendment announcing it has accepted 62% of <target company>'s shares for payment [satisfies (a)], and <acquirer> issues press release stating HSR waiting period expired and all conditions to the back-end merger satisfied [satisfies (b)].
- <acquirer> announces successful completion of tender offer with majority control obtained [satisfies (a)], and announces transaction will close on [specific date] [satisfies (b)].
- <target company> shareholders approve acquisition via written consent [satisfies (a)], and <target company> announces FTC has cleared the transaction and closing is expected within five business days [satisfies (b)].
- <target company> files 8-K stating shareholders approved the merger and all closing conditions including regulatory have been satisfied [satisfies both (a) and (b) in single announcement].

The following are NOT encompassed by the Payout Criterion:

- <target company>'s board announces agreement to be acquired by <acquirer>, but shareholders have not yet voted (if they are required to) and no conditions satisfaction announcement has been made [neither (a) nor (b) satisfied].
- <target company> announces shareholders approved the merger with <acquirer> [satisfies (a)], but FTC sues to block the transaction and no conditions satisfaction announcement is ever made [only (a) satisfied, not (b)].
- <acquirer> announces successful completion of tender offer with 55% of shares [satisfies (a)], but CFIUS blocks the transaction and no conditions satisfaction announcement is made [only (a) satisfied, not (b)].
- <target company> and <acquirer> announce all regulatory approvals obtained [satisfies (b)], but shareholder vote has not yet occurred [only (b) satisfied, not (a)].
- <target company>'s board recommends shareholders accept <acquirer>'s tender offer, but <acquirer> has not announced it has acquired >50% of shares, and no conditions satisfaction announcement has been made [neither (a) nor (b) satisfied].
- <acquirer> announces commencement of tender offer, but offer is still pending [neither (a) nor (b) satisfied].
- Letters of intent, memoranda of understanding, term sheets, or agreements in principle

[neither (a) nor (b) satisfied].

- Rumors, leaks, or speculative reports not confirmed by official company announcements or filings [not qualifying announcements].
- <acquirer> announces it has acquired 48% of <target company>'s shares [does not satisfy (a); threshold not met].
- <target company> shareholders approve acquisition by a different acquirer (e.g., a "white knight") rather than <acquirer> [does not satisfy (a) for this <acquirer>].
- Media reports that regulatory approval is "expected" but no official announcement from <target company> or <acquirer> [not a qualifying announcement].
- Announcements made after <time period>.

Additional Resolution Rules:

- **Subsequent Events After Qualifying Announcements:** If both criterion (a) and criterion (b) have been satisfied through qualifying public announcements before the end of <time period>, and the transaction is subsequently terminated, unwound, blocked, or fails to close after Expiration, the market still resolves to Yes. Resolution is based on the announcements, not the ultimate outcome of the transaction.
- **Conditional Language:** Announcements containing conditional language (e.g., "subject to regulatory approval," "pending shareholder vote," "expected to close if conditions are met") do not satisfy criterion (b). Criterion (b) requires an announcement that conditions have been satisfied or waived, not that they are expected to be satisfied.
- **Partial Regulatory Clearance:** An announcement that some but not all required regulatory approvals have been obtained does not satisfy criterion (b). Criterion (b) requires an announcement that all material conditions, including all required regulatory approvals, have been satisfied or waived.
- **Competing Bidders:** If multiple acquirers are pursuing <target company> simultaneously, this market resolves solely based on whether qualifying announcements regarding the specified <acquirer>'s takeover have been made. Announcements regarding a different acquirer's transaction do not satisfy the Payout Criterion for this <acquirer>. If another <acquirer> value resolves to Yes, then all other markets resolves to No immediately.
- **Non-U.S. Targets:** For <target company> entities (or <acquirer> entities) incorporated outside the United States, equivalent regulatory filings and official company announcements in the relevant jurisdiction (e.g., UK Takeover Panel announcements, Australian Securities Exchange filings, Hong Kong Stock Exchange announcements) shall be treated as qualifying public announcements. The principles of this Contract apply regardless of jurisdiction.
- **Implied Conditions Satisfaction:** An announcement of a specific expected closing date (e.g., "The transaction is expected to close on March 15, 2026") constitutes an implied announcement that all material conditions have been or will be satisfied, and therefore satisfies criterion (b). However, an announcement that merely states the transaction "remains on track" or is "progressing" without specifying an expected closing date does not satisfy criterion (b).

Minimum Tick: The Minimum Tick size for the Contract shall be \$0.01.

Position Accountability Level: The Position Accountability Level for the Contract shall be \$25,000 per strike, per Member.

Last Trading Date: The Last Trading Date of the Contract will be the last day of <time period>. The Last Trading Time will be one minute prior to the end of <time period>..

Settlement Date: The Settlement Date of the Contract shall be no later than the day after the Expiration Date, unless the Market Outcome is under review pursuant to Rule 7.1.

Expiration Date: The latest Expiration Date of the Contract shall be one week after the end of <time period>. If events described in the Payout Criterion occur (both criteria (a) and (b) satisfied), expiration will be moved to an earlier date and time in accordance with Rule 7.2.

Expiration time: The Expiration time of the Contract shall be 10:00 AM ET.

Settlement Value: The Settlement Value for this Contract is \$1.00.

Expiration Value: The Expiration Value is the value of the Underlying as documented by the Source Agency on the Expiration Date at the Expiration time.

Contingencies: Before Settlement, Kalshi may, at its sole discretion, initiate the Market Outcome Review Process pursuant to Rule 7.1 of the Rulebook. If an Expiration Value cannot be determined on the Expiration Date, Kalshi has the right to determine payouts pursuant to Rule 7.1 in the Rulebook.