
Public Consultation

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Consultation of the BritNed Access Rules 2026

This public consultation of the BritNed Access Rules 2026 opened on 24 July 2026 and is extended until 28 August 2026.

The overview below details the material amendments that BritNed is proposing to the Access Rules.

Changes to the BritNed Access Rules are:

Section D: Auctions Rules

- D5.7.6 and D5.7.7
 - text addition and deletion; the formula is rewritten to include Returns to add visual clarity. The reason for inclusion fixes an edge case in the Credit limit calculation - Returns logic. The logic did not consider the return compensations of monthly auctions, with delivery periods more than one month ahead. This was due to a restriction in the credit limit check. The updated logic now includes all future delivery months, ensuring accurate Credit Limit calculations. The new section explains how BritNed is able to net off returns, affecting their Maximum Payment Obligations (MPO).
- D5.11.2
 - the number is changed from 46 hours to 4 hours. In practise, Empire publishes the Final Auction Results about 2 hours after Notification of the Provisional Auction Results. The declaration in D5.11.2 is now more in line with that practise.
- D5.12.1
 - the number is changed from about 2 business days to 8 hours. In practise, Empire publishes the Final Auction Results about 2 hours after Notification of the Provisional Auction Results. The declaration in D5.11.2 is now more in line with that practise.
- D8.8.6 and D8.8.7
 - text addition and deletion; the formula is rewritten to include Use It or Sell It (UloSI) to and to add visual clarity. The reason for inclusion fixes an edge case in the Credit limit calculation - Returns logic. The logic did not consider the return compensations of monthly auctions, with delivery periods more than one month ahead. This was due to a restriction in the credit limit check. The updated logic now includes all future delivery months, ensuring accurate Credit Limit calculations. The new section explains how BritNed is able to net off UloSI capacity, affecting their Maximum Payment Obligations (MPO).
- D8.15 and D9.14
 - The Buy Now functionality was updated with Empire Release 6.0.0. Buy Now enables immediate capacity purchases for the Intraday timescale. Upon successful purchase, the requested capacity is instantly allocated. With the 6.0.0 release, this function has been redesigned to improve purchasing capacity usability, provide a more transparent interface, and make it easier to view purchased capacities. The main

change from the previous version is how we handle the OC: instead of creating multiple offers, we now create “OC Pools” for each MTU. Users can purchase their required capacity directly from these pools. There is no partial allocation: when purchasing capacity for multiple MTUs within a delivery day by pressing BUY NOW, either all requested capacities are fully allocated or none of them are.

- D9.8.6
 - In line with D5.7.6 and D8.8.6 the formula is rewritten to add visual clarity.
- Section E: Capacity Usage
- E2
 - Empire presents the Transmission Rights of Participants on a dedicated page which is called “Transmission Rights Overview”. The “Rights Document” refers to this page. “Rights Document” is replaced with “Transmission Rights Overview”.

Schedule 2: Rules for use of PTRs

- 5. Intraday Business Rules
 - The intraday auctions Specification is published on the BritNed website. Therefore, 5.2 is removed.
 - 5.9 to 5.12 details what content is published on the BritNed website, and how amendments to that information are handled.

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