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# **BOTSWANA STOCK EXCHANGE STANBIC BANK NATIONAL FINANCE AND INVESTMENT COMPETITION 2025 RULES**



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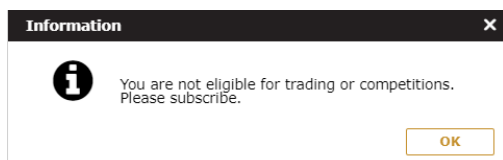
Botswana Stock Exchange(BSE) is tasked with a developmental role to promote market education and financial literacy in Botswana. In order to achieve this objective, the BSE in partnership with Stanbic Bank Botswana invites the general public to register for the Botswana Stock Exchange Stanbic Bank National Finance and Investment Competition 2025 incorporated on the technology driven platform, the Stock Market Simulator. A stock market simulator is a platform that educates prospective investors about key elements necessary to assist with stock selection and tracking performance of their holdings through creating a virtual trading environment. This platform serves to educate the general public about the benefits of investing in local listed securities and in doing so promote retail investor participation and address issues of financial literacy.

**Rules for the Competition are as follows:**

## 1. Registration

- ✿ To access the Stock Market Simulator, visit the BSE website at [www.bse.co.bw](http://www.bse.co.bw) and click on the Stock Market Simulator tab.
- ✿ Registration for the competition will commence on the 05<sup>th</sup> March 2025 and close on the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.
- ✿ To register for the competition, you will first need to create an account on the web application by: loading the stock market simulator web application >>click on create new account, the following tab will appear.

- ✿ Fill in the details >> click on next >> enter OTP and submit.
- ✿ Your account will be successfully created and log in credentials will be sent to registered email.
- ✿ An account can only be created on the Stock Market Simulator web application on the BSE website. The feature is **not** available for mobile application.
- ✿ The BSE will waive-off subscription fees for all participants.
- ✿ When you log into the platform for the first time a subscription pop up message will appear as shown below.



- Click **OK** and log out
- Log in after 24 hours. Subscription fees for your account will be waived off and your account eligible for trading.
- To enroll for the competition log into the Stock Market Simulator Web application using credentials obtained when creating account. Navigate to header >> competition >> educational institute >> select public >> enroll now >> submit.
- If you already have an account, log into the Stock Market simulator, navigate to header >> competition >> educational institute >> select public >>enroll now >> submit.
- A successful enrollment notification will appear.

## 2. Competition timeline

- The competition will run for a period of 3 months. Timelines are as follows:

Description	Dates
Registration start date	05 <sup>th</sup> March 2025
Registration end date	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025
Competition start date	01 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
Competition end date	01 <sup>st</sup> July 2025
Prize giving	Date to be confirmed

## 3. General Competition Guidelines

- The competition is open to the general public except for individuals working at the BSE, brokers, all BSE licensed advisors, and individuals who attained position 1,2 and 3 in the Botswana Stock Exchange Stanbic Bank National Finance and Investment Competition 2024.
- A user manual is uploaded on the BSE website to aid users on navigating the Stock Market Simulator platform.
- Participants should ensure that the portfolio selected is competition portfolio when placing trades. The Competition portfolio is displayed as follows: COMP-T59-DFNBSE
- Each participant will be allocated P100 000.00 virtual funds to trade with on the simulated BSE market at the beginning of the competition.
- The Stock Market Simulator platform will provide a daily leaderboard displaying the ranking of each participant based on Average Realized Gain/Loss.
- Participants will be able to view daily portfolio summaries, stock performance, order details and transaction history on their trading accounts.
- There will be a commission of 0.20% for each trade executed.
- In the event that participants notice flaws and/or technical faults in the platform, these should be reported to the BSE immediately via email at [marketdev@bse.co.bw](mailto:marketdev@bse.co.bw) or contact **(+267) 3674400**. Please be advised that these issues cannot be used to gain any advantage in the competition. Any attempts to do so will result in immediate disqualification from the competition.
- Each week the BSE Social media pages will feature portfolio standings displaying top 10 participants with the highest portfolios.
- The market trading hours are as follows:

Pre open	1000hrs-1025hrs
Open	1025hrs-1350hrs
Pre Close	1350hrs-1400hrs
Close	1400hrs

## 4. Judging and Evaluation

- ✿ The top 3 winners will be determined based on **Average Realized Gain/Loss** at the end of the final trading day. The participant with the highest portfolio rank will be declared the winner of the Botswana Stock Exchange Stanbic Bank National Finance and Investment Competition 2025.

## 5. Announcement of Winners and Prizes

- ✿ The competition winners will be announced on the 02<sup>nd</sup> July 2025.
- ✿ At the end of the competition the top 3 overall winners will be awarded as follows:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> prize-P7,500.00 share voucher
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize-P5,000.00 share voucher
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize- P2,500.00 share voucher

## 6. Disclaimer

The BSE accepts no liability for any damage, loss, injury or disappointment suffered by any individual as a result of participating in the competition or selected prize. The exchange reserves the right, at any time and without prior notice:

- ✿ To amend the competition rules
- ✿ Not to award the prizes
- ✿ To cancel the competition

The BSE decision on competition winners shall be final.

***For any enquiries on the Competition or Stock Market Simulator contact the Market Development Department by sending an email to [marketdev@bse.co.bw](mailto:marketdev@bse.co.bw) or call +267 3674400.***