



BATS BOE Specification Update Effective November 4, 2011

Overview

Please be advised, that **effective Friday, November 4, 2011**, BATS will be implementing a minor update to the Binary Order Entry (BOE) protocol. This update will be implemented on the BATS BZX Exchange, BATS BYX Exchange and BATS Options.

The reserved 8th byte of all bitfield sets will be converted to a byte reserved for BATS internal use. As the 8th byte of all existing bitfield sets was already reserved for future use, this change should require no action on the part of our Members. Members must continue to populate this byte for all existing request messages with a zero value as they are currently required. Members should disregard any values in the 8th byte present on response messages going forward.

Testing Opportunities

Effective immediately, this update has been implemented within the BATS Certification environment.

For More Information

Refer to the following:

- [BZX Exchange US Equities BOE Specification](#)
- [BYX Exchange US Equities BOE Specification](#)
- [BATS US Options BOE Specification](#)

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