Davis ETFs

Key Considerations When Placing ETF Trades

Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs), are a widely-used way to invest due to their typical tax efficiency, low cost, ease of trading, diversification, and transparency. Similar to stocks, ETFs trade on exchanges throughout the day. Below are some unique considerations when investing in ETFs:

Use limit orders when investing in ETFs

A limit order, which is an order to buy or sell a set number of shares at a specified price, gives investors control over the price at which trades are executed. Investors may want to avoid market orders, which can result in execution at prices different than expected, especially during periods of market uncertainty and volatility.

Avoid placing ETF trades at the market open or close

For listed securities such as ETFs and stocks, the start and end of the trading day is typically more volatile, resulting in wider bid-ask spreads and potentially less-efficient execution. Certain securities may not trade at the open and orders may flood the market close, causing price uncertainty.

Average daily volume underestimates the number of shares that can be bought or sold. Efficient execution is best determined by the liquidity of the underlying holdings.[1]

An ETF can accommodate large trades that far exceed its average daily volume. For investors considering large trades, we suggest looking beyond an ETFs average daily volume and considering the liquidity of its underlying holdings.

An ETFs average daily volume represents the number of shares traded in the secondary market and not the number of shares able to trade at a fair price. Many mistakenly believe that, similar to small cap stocks with low trading volume, ETFs with low assets under management and low trading volume are illiquid. However, the simple truth is that such ETFs can be very liquid.

Since ETF shares may be continuously created or redeemed based upon market demand, the true liquidity of an ETF is determined by the liquidity of its underlying holdings and not by its trading volume. Therefore, an ETF with highly liquid stocks that trade millions of shares every day, may itself be highly liquid.

One useful metric to determine how large of a trade can be placed in an ETF without impacting prices is implied liquidity. Specifically, implied liquidity is the amount one can invest in an ETF and not account for more than 25% of the average daily volume of its least liquid holding.

The table below shows the three Davis ETFs' average daily volume and their implied liquidity. For example, while DUSA's average daily volume is about 28,000 shares, the implied liquidity is over 8.6 million shares ($176 million). In other words, trades much larger than 28,000 shares in DUSA can occur at a fair price.

When executing large trades, trading desks can be helpful

ETF trading desks may be able to assist in effective ETF trading. Consider contacting your advisor or brokerage firm's ETF trading desk when considering large trades.

	Average Daily Volume (shares)	Implied Liquidity (shares)	Implied Liquidity
Davis Select US Equity ETF (DUSA)	28,181	8,676,530	$176,046,793
Davis Select Financial ETF (DFNL)	35,600	5,832,972	$120,392,542
Davis Select Worldwide ETF (DWLD)	25,726	1,735,609	$36,569,281

Source: Bloomberg. From inception, January 11, 2017, to March 31, 2017.

1. The Fund will only issue or redeem shares that have been aggregated into blocks of 50,000 shares or multiples thereof ("Creation Units") to Authorized Participants ("AP") who have entered into agreements with the Funds' distributor. To the extent that APs exit the business or are unable or unwilling to proceed with creation and/or redemption orders with respect to the Funds and no other AP is able to step forward to create or redeem Creation Units, Fund shares may trade at a discount to NAV and could face delisting.

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