Trade protection

Secure incoming payments with documentary credit and collection

At a glance
Anyone dealing with international client transactions needs to weigh the risks of default carefully. We can use the internationally recognized documentary credit and documentary collection security processes to support you in guaranteeing and processing payments in the area of foreign trade. In addition, we can assist you with all of the formal requirements for documents in accordance with international law. Thanks to our vast experience, we can help ensure the smooth processing of such transactions, whether they are simple or complex in nature.

Your needs
- As the seller of a product, you would like to protect against any non-payment on the part of the purchaser.
- You want the backing of a financial services provider with international experience and expertise.

What we offer
- **Secure transactions**: Documentary credit and documentary collection are two internationally recognized security processes for foreign sales.
- **Many years of expertise**: As an established globally active financial services provider, Credit Suisse has comprehensive expertise in the area of trade financing and its regulatory environment.
- **Online access**: Our “Direct Trade Finance” online solution enables you to secure the incoming payments for your foreign transactions online.

The instruments at a glance
- A documentary credit is an undertaking made by a bank, either at the request of the applicant for the credit or on its own behalf, to pay a specified amount in an agreed currency to a beneficiary, on the condition that the beneficiary (seller) presents stipulated documents within a prescribed time limit.
- **Documentary collection** refers to an order by a seller to the bank to submit the documents, which are proof of the delivery of certain goods, to the purchaser through a correspondent for payment or for acceptance.

Your costs
Commission is charged for services rendered, to offset credit and settlement risks by means of documentary credit, and to cover the cost of capital. Usually, each party is responsible for the commission/costs of its own bank. The remitting bank and the collecting bank charge commission and fees for handling the documentary collection. Usually, each party is responsible for the commission/costs of its own bank.

Further information
You can find further information in our manual “Documentary Credits – Documentary Collections,” which is available online at credit-suisse.com/tradefinance.
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