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# Treatment of Türkiye Securities in FTSE Russell Equity Indices FAQ

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## Overview

On 17 August 2026 FTSE Russell announcement that following the commencement of publication of daily free float figures by the Merkezi Kayıt Istanbul (MKK), the Central Securities Depository of Türkiye, FTSE Russell is postponing certain index changes for Türkiye listed securities from the September 2026 index review to allow FTSE Russell additional time to evaluate the feasibility of utilising the MKK published free float data within the FTSE Russell Indices. Consequently, and until further notice this FAQ provides guidance on the treatment of Turkish index review changes for the FTSE Russell September 2026 index review and the treatment of corporate events.

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## 1. Why is FTSE Russell postponing the certain index changes for Türkiye at the September 2026 index review?

Effective from 15 June 2026, the Merkezi Kayıt İstanbul (MKK), the Central Securities Depository of Türkiye, began publishing free float figures for Turkish securities based on a revised methodology. Under this revised approach, shareholdings held through certain fund structures may be excluded from the free float where they can be attributed to strategic shareholders. Consequently, the free float figures published by MKK are generally lower than those calculated by FTSE Russell, which are based on publicly disclosed company filings and can therefore be independently replicated by market participants.

At present, MKK does not disclose which fund-held shareholdings are classified as restricted and publishes an aggregated free float figure only. Although the review of the free float methodology approach is a positive step, FTSE Russell is currently unable to reconcile the free float figures published by MKK for Turkish listed securities with the FTSE Russell Free Float Restrictions guide. FTSE Russell continues to engage with Borsa Istanbul and the CMB on further analysis of Turkish free float data.

Following feedback from index users and the FTSE Russell's External Advisory Committees, and taking into account the potential overstatement of index shares in FTSE Russell indices, the associated market turnover implications and a requirement for additional granularity in determining the accurate free float percentages for Turkish securities, FTSE Russell is postponing certain index changes relating to Turkish listed securities for the September 2026 index review, which is effective from the open on Monday 21 September 2026.

This postponement will allow FTSE Russell additional time to assess the MKK free float figures and continue its engagement with Turkish market authorities to further improve the granularity underpinning MKK's published free float figures.

## 2. What is the treatment of Türkiye listed securities at the September 2026 Index review, effective from the open on Monday 21 September 2026?

At the September 2026 index reviews, FTSE Russell will defer the following index review changes for Turkish listed securities that were scheduled to be effective from the open on Monday 21 September 2026:

- New additions to indices, including IPOs
- Weight Adjustment Factor updates from zero to positive
- Free float increases
- Size segment changes between Large, Mid, Small and Micro Cap tiers (note: demotions from Large, Mid and Small Cap down to Micro Cap will be implemented).

At the September 2026 index reviews, FTSE Russell will proceed with the following index updates for Turkish listed securities, effective from the open on Monday 21 September 2026:

- Deletions associated with failing index eligibility screens, such as continued suspensions, surveillance screen, market cap exit and liquidity thresholds

- Quarterly share updates to be implemented in accordance with the buffer rule
- Quarterly free float decreases only to be implemented in accordance with the buffer rule
- Large / mid / small / micro-cap changes resulting from spin-offs, with deletions applied where resulting entities fall below the applicable exit thresholds.
- Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB) updates.
- Applicable exclusion list (e.g. ESG, ethical, Shariah) updates.
- Weight Adjustment Factor updates from positive to zero
- Capping

## 3. How will corporate events be treated going forward?

Commencing from Tuesday 18 August 2026, the following corporate events will not be implemented to domestically listed Turkish securities within the FTSE Russell equity indices:

- Additions - initial public offering (IPOs)
- Intra-review shares in issue changes - resulting from new equity, buy-backs
- Intra-review investability weight changes - resulting from secondary offerings
- Rights Issue - the rights will be assumed to be sold.

The following corporate event types will continue to be implemented:

- Deletion of index constituents - resulting from takeovers/mergers, suspensions, bankruptcy and delisting.
- Corporate actions which do not result in a capital increase - stock splits, consolidations, bonus issues and mandatory spin-offs etc.
- Dividend distributions – both regular and special.

## 4. Will exclusion lists continue to be implemented as part of the September 2026 index review?

Yes, if exclusion lists are mentioned in index ground rules, for example ESG exclusions, Shariah screens, ethical or other exclusions, these will continue to be applied as part of the September 2026 index review.

Please refer to individual ground rules for the specifics of the exclusion lists applied.

## 5. What is the treatment for indices with an annual or semi-annual review in September 2026?

For indices with an annual or semi-annual review in September, the treatment in Question 1 and 2 applies. Review related deletions will be applied.

## 6. Was this decision aligned with FTSE Russell's index rules?

Yes. The postponement is consistent with section 2.4 – Exceptional Market Disruption of the Index Policy in the Event Clients are Unable to Trade a Market or a Security. Should market conditions be such that the ability of investment managers to implement major index events, including index reviews, is compromised, FTSE Russell may postpone implementation of such events. The rule allows such postponements when implementing changes could disadvantage index users or compromise the integrity of index calculations under such conditions.

## 7. Does the index treatment outlined in this FAQ for Türkiye listed securities affect the FTSE Equity Country Classification status of Türkiye?

No. The index treatments outlined in this FAQ do not affect the FTSE Equity Country Classification status of Türkiye and is unrelated to the equity country classification process, with Türkiye remaining classified as a Secondary Emerging market.

## 8. What is the expected treatment of Türkiye listed securities in the December 2026 Index Review?

FTSE Russell appreciates the constructive engagement of Borsa Istanbul and the Capital Markets Board of Türkiye in assessing Turkish free float data. Any decisions regarding future index treatment, including potential resumption of full index re-ranking, will be considered in advance of the December 2026 index review and communicated in due course.

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