

Broker Comparison Table

How does your broker stack up?

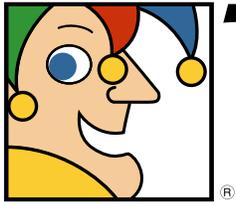
	Ameritrade	HARRISdirect	TD Waterhouse	Brown & Co.*	Your Broker
Account Minimum Information					
Cash Account	\$2,000	No Minimum	\$1,000	N/A **	
Margin Account	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$15,000 in cash and/or securities	
Retirement Account (IRA)	\$1,000	No Minimum	No Minimum	\$5,000 in cash and/or securities	
Commision Schedule - Online Trades					
Market Order	\$10.99	\$20.00	\$17.95	\$5.00	
Limit Order	\$10.99	\$20.00	\$20.95	\$10.00	
Commision Schedule - Touchtone Phone Trades					
Market Order	\$14.99	\$20.00	\$35.00	\$5.00	
Limit Order	\$14.99	\$20.00	\$38.00	\$10.00	
Commision Schedule - Broker Assisted Trades					
Market Order	\$24.99	\$40.00	\$45.00	\$17.00	
Limit Order	\$24.99	\$40.00	\$48.00	\$22.00	
Fee Schedule					
Account Maintenance Fees	\$15/quarter [wavierd if > \$2,000 in assets OR 4 trades/6 months]	\$15/quarter [wavierd if > \$10,000 in total assets OR 4 trades/year]	\$20/quarter [wavierd if > \$10,000 in assets OR 4 trades/year]	None	
Account Transfer Fees	\$50 (Transfer Out Full non-IRA) \$25.00 (Transfer Out Partial or IRA)	\$30.00 (outgoing)	\$50.00, IRA account excluded	None	
IRA Custodian Fees	None	** \$35.00 per account per year	None	None	
Extras					
Compatible with Quicken/MS Money	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
ATM and Checking	Yes	Yes	Yes	Checking Only	
Local Offices	No	Yes	Yes	No	
Dividend Reinvestment	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	

* Brown & Company has the following account requirements: (1) at least five (5) years of investment experience, (2) net income of at least \$40,000 a year from all sources, and (3) net worth of more than \$50,000 (exclusive of family residence).

** All Brown & Company accounts are margin accounts except where required by law (IRA's, custodial accounts, etc.)

*** Harrisdirect will waive the annual custodial fee if 3 commissionable trades are executed in your IRA account within 12 months of the establishment date of the traditional or Roth IRA.

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Signature:

Date:



To-Do List

- See How I've Done**
The market has returned X% over the past X years. So how have your investments done? If you don't already know, track how well you're doing.
- Buy an Index Mutual Fund**
If you can't beat it, buy it! Index funds out-earn more than 80% of actively managed mutual funds. Sounds like a no-brainer to us!
- Get Stock Ideas**
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- Pick a Favorite Gardner Brother**
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