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**Organization:** The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT")

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**Filing Description:** Amendments to the Exercise and Assignment Times for All CME and CBOT Option Contracts.

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**Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected:** See filing.

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January 22, 2020

**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick  
Office of the Secretariat  
Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
Three Lafayette Centre  
1155 21st Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20581

**Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Notification Regarding Amendments to the Exercise and Assignment Times for All CME and CBOT Option Contracts. CBOT Submission No. 20-019 (2 of 2)**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or “Commission”) Regulation 40.6(a), The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. (“CBOT”) and Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (“CME”) (collectively, the “Exchanges”) hereby notify the Commission that they are self-certifying amendments to the exercise and assignment times for all CBOT and CME options contracts, effective Sunday, February 9, 2020 for trade date Monday, February 10, 2020.

Specifically, the Exchanges are harmonizing the exercise and assignment times for the Agriculture, Interest Rate, and Equity Index options noted in the tables below (collectively, the “Contracts”) to 5:30 p.m. Chicago time (collectively, the “Rule Amendments”). This change will not materially impact the value of open positions but will create efficiencies for Clearing Member firms by making the option processing times earlier and synching them across the Exchanges. The Exchanges have been conducting extensive outreach since March of 2019, including the release of multiple Clearing Advisories advising the marketplace of the proposal. The Exchanges have received positive feedback regarding the Rule Amendments.

**CME**

Contract Title	CME Rulebook Chapter
<b>Options on Class III Milk Futures</b>	52A
<b>Midsize Options on Class III Milk Futures</b>	52B
<b>Options on Nonfat Dry Milk Futures</b>	54A
<b>Options on Class IV Milk Futures</b>	55A
<b>Options on Cash-Settled Butter Futures</b>	56A
<b>Options on Dry Whey Futures</b>	57A
<b>Options on Cheese Futures</b>	60A
<b>Options on Block Cheese Futures</b>	61A
<b>Options on Live Cattle Futures</b>	101A
<b>Options on Live Cattle Futures Calendar Spreads</b>	101B
<b>Options on Feeder Cattle Futures</b>	102A
<b>Options on Lean Hog Futures</b>	152A
<b>Options on Random Length Lumber Futures</b>	201A
<b>Options on S&amp;P 500 Stock Price Index Futures</b>	351A
<b>Options on Nikkei Average Futures</b>	352A
<b>Options on Yen-Denominated Nikkei Average Futures</b>	352C
<b>Options on E-mini S&amp;P 500 Stock Price Index Futures</b>	358A

<b>Options on E-mini Nasdaq-100 Index Futures</b>	359A
<b>Options on E-mini S&amp;P MidCap 400 Index Futures</b>	362A
<b>Options on E-mini S&amp;P SmallCap 600 Index Futures</b>	368A
<b>Options on E-mini Russell 2000 Index Futures</b>	393A
<b>Options on CME Degree Days Index Futures</b>	403A
<b>Options on CME Seasonal Strip Degree Days Index Futures</b>	405A
<b>Options on CME European HDD Index Futures</b>	406A
<b>Options on CME European Seasonal Strip HDD Index Futures</b>	407A
<b>Options on CME European CAT Index Futures</b>	408A
<b>Options on CME European Seasonal Strip CAT Index Futures</b>	409A
<b>Options on CME Pacific Rim CAT Index Futures</b>	411A
<b>Options on CME Pacific Rim Seasonal CAT Index Futures</b>	412A
<b>Options on Three-Month Eurodollar Futures</b>	452A
<b>Options on Three-Month Eurodollar Futures Calendar Spreads</b>	452D
<b>Options on One-Month Eurodollar Futures</b>	453A

**CBOT**

<b>Contract Title</b>	<b>CBOT Rulebook Chapter</b>
<b>Options on Corn Futures</b>	10A
<b>Corn Calendar Spread Options</b>	10J
<b>Wheat-Corn Intercommodity Spread Options</b>	10N
<b>Options on Soybean Futures</b>	11A
<b>Soybean Board Crush Spread Options</b>	11C
<b>Soybean Calendar Spread Options</b>	11E
<b>Options on Soybean Oil Futures</b>	12A
<b>Soybean Oil Calendar Spread Options</b>	12B
<b>Options on Soybean Meal Futures</b>	13A
<b>Soybean Meal Calendar Spread Options</b>	13B
<b>Options on Wheat Futures</b>	14A
<b>Wheat Calendar Spread Options</b>	14D
<b>Options on KC HRW Wheat Futures</b>	14L
<b>KC HRW Wheat Calendar Spread Options</b>	14M
<b>Options on Oat Futures</b>	15A
<b>Standard Options on Denatured Fuel Ethanol Futures</b>	16A
<b>Options on Rough Rice Futures</b>	17A
<b>Standard Options on U.S. Treasury Bond Futures</b>	18A
<b>Flexible Options on U.S. Treasury Bond Futures</b>	18B
<b>Standard Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures</b>	19A
<b>Flexible Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures</b>	19B
<b>Standard Options on Medium-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures</b>	20A
<b>Flexible Options on Medium-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures</b>	20B
<b>Standard Options on Short-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures</b>	21A
<b>Flexible Options on Short-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures</b>	21B
<b>Standard Options on 30-Day Federal Funds Futures</b>	22A
<b>Standard Options on 10-Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures</b>	26A
<b>Flexible Options on 10-Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures</b>	26B
<b>CBOT E-mini Dow Jones Industrial Average Index Futures Options</b>	27A
<b>Standard Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Bond Futures</b>	40A
<b>Flexible Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Bond Futures</b>	40B

Additional contract specification information on the Contracts may be viewed in the links below:

Agriculture: <https://www.cmegroup.com/trading/agricultural/>  
Interest Rates: <https://www.cmegroup.com/trading/interest-rates/>  
Equity Index: <https://www.cmegroup.com/trading/equity-index/>

The Exchanges reviewed the designated contract market core principles (“Core Principles”) as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA” or “Act”) and identified that the following Core Principles may be impacted by the Rule Amendments:

- **Availability of General Information:** The Exchanges will amend the CME and CBOT rulebooks accordingly which is publicly available on the CME Group website. In addition, the Exchanges will publish a Special Executive Report (“SER”) to advise the marketplace of the Rule Amendments. The SER will also be posted on the CME Group website.
- **Execution of Transactions:** The Rule Amendments will further enable the Exchange to continue its current practice of providing a competitive, open, and efficient market mechanism for executing transactions.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulations 40.6(a), the Exchanges hereby certify that the Rule Amendments comply with the Act, including regulations under the Act. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

The Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchanges’ website at <http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html>.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at 212-299-2200 or via e-mail at [CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com](mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com).

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachments: Appendix A – Amendments to CME Rulebook Chapters (blackline format)  
Appendix B – Amendments to CBOT Rulebook Chapters (blackline format)

## **Appendix A**

### **CME Rulebook**

#### **Chapter 52A**

#### **Options on Class III Milk Futures**

##### **52A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT**

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Class III Milk options.

###### **52A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

The buyer of a Class III Milk futures option may exercise the option on any Business Day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

#### **Chapter 52B**

#### **Midsize Options on Class III Milk Futures**

##### **52B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT**

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Midsize Options on Class III Milk futures.

###### **52B02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the day that the option expires. To exercise the option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present a notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

#### **Chapter 54A**

#### **Options on Nonfat Dry Milk Futures**

##### **54A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT**

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7 the following shall apply to the exercise of Nonfat Dry Milk options.

#### **54A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

The buyer of a Nonfat Dry Milk futures option may exercise the option on any Business Day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## **Chapter 55A Options on Class IV Milk Futures**

### **55A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT**

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Class IV Milk options.

#### **55A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

The buyer of a Class IV Milk futures option may exercise the option on any Business Day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago Time deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## **Chapter 56A Options on Cash-Settled Butter Futures**

### **56A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT**

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7 the following shall apply to the exercise of Cash-Settled Butter options.

#### **56A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Cash-Settled Butter futures option may exercise the option on any Business Day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House

after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 57A Options on Dry Whey Futures

### 57A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7 the following shall apply to the exercise of Dry Whey options.

#### **57A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Dry Whey futures option may exercise the option on any Business Day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 60A Options on Cheese Futures

### 60A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7 the following shall apply to the exercise of Cheese options.

#### **60A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Cheese futures option may exercise the option on any Business Day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.



## Chapter 61A Options on Block Cheese Futures

### 61A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7 the following shall apply to the exercise of Block Cheese options.

#### **61A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Block Cheese futures option may exercise the option on any Business Day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 101A Options on Live Cattle Futures

### 101A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Live Cattle options.

#### **101A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day that the option is traded. To exercise an option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in the money if the settlement price of the underlying futures contract at the termination of trading lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 101B Options on Live Cattle Futures Calendar Spreads

### 101B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Live Cattle options on calendar spreads.

#### **101B02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the day that the option expires. To exercise an option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.



An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of termination of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in the money if the settlement price of the underlying futures contract at the termination of trading lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bonafide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction (s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 102A Options on Feeder Cattle Futures

### 102A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Feeder Cattle options.

#### **102A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day the option is traded. Exercise of an option is accomplished by the clearing member representing the buyer presenting an Exercise Notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instruction delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

An option is in the money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 152A Options on Lean Hog Futures

### 152A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Lean Hogs options.

#### **152A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day that the option is traded. To exercise an option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the second Business Day following the Expiration Day by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically. An option is in the money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable

will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 201A Options on Random Length Lumber Futures

### 201A02. EXERCISE

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Random Length Lumber options.

#### **201A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day the option is traded. To exercise an option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

An option is in the money if the settlement price of the underlying futures contract at the termination of trading lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 351A Options on S&P 500 Stock Price Index Futures

### 351A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

#### **351A02.A. Exercise**

##### **1. Quarterly Options**

Any Quarterly option (Rule 351A01.D.1.) may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day prior to and including such option's Expiration Date. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

Any unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day scheduled for determination of the Final Settlement Price (Rule 35103.A.) of such option's Underlying Futures Contract. Any option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or at such other time on such option's Expiration Date as may be designated by the Exchange.

An expiring call option shall be in the money if the Final Settlement Price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract (Rule 351A01.D.) on such option's Expiration Date is strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such Final Settlement Price is at or below such option's exercise price.

An expiring put option shall be in the money if the Final Settlement Price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract on such option's Expiration Date is strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such Final Settlement Price is at or above such option's exercise price.

### 351A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTION EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing (in accord with Rules 351A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) unreconciled Exchange option

transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

### 351A32. FLEXIBLE OPTIONS EXERCISE

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of flexible options on S&P 500 Stock Price Index futures.

#### **351A32.A. Exercise of Flexible Options by Buyer**

Flexible options may be specified for either American style exercise or European style exercise. A flexible option for American style exercise may be exercised by the option buyer on any Business Day that such option may be traded. A flexible option for European style exercise can be exercised by the option buyer only upon expiration.

To exercise any flexible option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise. Any unexercised flexible option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on such option's specified expiration date. Any flexible option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading in such option.

## **Chapter 352A Options on Nikkei Average Futures**

### 352A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Nikkei options.

#### **352A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day that the option is traded. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option in the March quarterly cycle that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of determination of the Final Settlement Price by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

In-the-money options that expire in months other than those in the March quarterly cycle and have not been liquidated or exercised prior to the expiration shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of the termination of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

### 352A32. FLEXIBLE OPTIONS EXERCISE

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of flexible options on Nikkei Stock Average futures.

#### **352A32.A. Exercise of Flexible Option by Buyer**

Flexible options may be specified to have either American Style or European Style exercise.

A flexible option with American-style exercise may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day that the option is traded and also on its Expiration Date. To exercise the option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

A flexible option with European Style exercise may be exercised by the buyer only on the day that the option expires. To exercise the option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an

exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

Any flexible option that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its Expiration Date shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the Expiration Date by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## **Chapter 352C**

### **Options on Yen-Denominated Nikkei Average Futures**

#### **352C02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT**

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options on Yen Denominated Nikkei Stock Average futures.

##### **352C02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

###### **352C02.A.1 Options in the March Quarterly Cycle**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day that the option is traded. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option in the March quarterly cycle that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of determination of the Final Settlement Price by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## **Chapter 358A**

### **Options on E-mini S&P 500 Stock Price Index Futures**

#### **358A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT**

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

##### **358A02.A. Exercise**

###### **1. Quarterly Options**

Any Quarterly option (Rule 358A01.D.1.) may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day prior to and including such option's Expiration Date. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

Any unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day scheduled for determination of the Final Settlement Price (Rule 35803.A.) of such option's Underlying Futures Contract. Any option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or at such other time on such option's Expiration Date as may be designated by the Exchange.

An expiring call option shall be in the money if the Final Settlement Price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract (Rule 358A01.D.) on such option's Expiration Date is strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

An expiring put option shall be in the money if the Final Settlement Price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract on such option's Expiration Date is strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such Final Settlement Price is at or above such option's exercise price.

## 358A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

### **358A02.A. Exercise**

#### **1. Quarterly Options**

Any Quarterly option (Rule 358A01.D.1.) may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day prior to and including such option's Expiration Date. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

Any unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day scheduled for determination of the Final Settlement Price (Rule 35803.A.) of such option's Underlying Futures Contract. Any option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than 7:00 p.m., or at such other time on such option's Expiration Date as may be designated by the Exchange.

An expiring call option shall be in the money if the Final Settlement Price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract (Rule 358A01.D.) on such option's Expiration Date is strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

An expiring put option shall be in the money if the Final Settlement Price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract on such option's Expiration Date is strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such Final Settlement Price is at or above such option's exercise price.

## **Chapter 359A Options on E-mini Nasdaq-100 Index Futures**

## 359A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

### **359A02.A. Exercise**

#### **1. Quarterly Options and Serial Options**

Any Quarterly option (Rule 359A01.D.1.) may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day on which such option may be traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

Any unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 359A01.I.). Any option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading in such option.

A call option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract (Rule 359A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 359A01.I.) is strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option is strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

## 359A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTION EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing (in accord with Rules 359A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether

a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 362A Options on E-mini S&P MidCap 400 Index Futures

### 362A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

#### **362A02.A. Exercise**

##### **1. Quarterly Options**

Any Quarterly option (Rule 362A01.D.1.) may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day on which such option may be traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

Any unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 362A01.I.). Any option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading in such option.

A call option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract (Rule 362A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 362A01.I.) is strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option is strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

## Chapter 368A Options on E-mini S&P SmallCap 600 Index Futures

### 368A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

#### **368A02.A. Exercise**

##### **1. Quarterly Options and Serial Options**

Any Quarterly option (Rule 368A01.D.1.) or Serial option (Rule 368A01.D.2.) may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day on which such option may be traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

Any unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 368A01.I.). Any option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading in such option.

A call option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract (Rule 368A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 368A01.I.) is strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option is strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.



## Chapter 393A

### Options on E-mini Russell 2000 Index Futures

#### 393A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

##### **393A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

###### **1. Quarterly Options**

Any Quarterly option (Rule 393A01.D.1.) may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day on which such option may be traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

Any unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 393A01.I.). Any option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading in such option.

A call option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract (Rule 393A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 393A01.I.) is strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option is strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

#### 393A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTION EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing (in accord with Rules 393A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 403A

### Options on CME Degree Days Index Futures

#### 403A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of the CME Degree Days options.

##### **403A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the termination of Trading Day. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## Chapter 405A

### Options on CME Seasonal Strip Degree Days Index Futures

#### 405A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of the CME Seasonal Degree Days options.

##### **405A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the termination of Trading Day. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by



~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## **Chapter 406A**

### **Options on CME European HDD Index Futures**

#### 406A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of the CME European HDD options.

##### **406A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the termination of Trading Day. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## **Chapter 407A**

### **Options on CME European Seasonal Strip HDD Index Futures**

#### 407A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of the CME European Seasonal Strip HDD options.

##### **407A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the termination of Trading Day. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## **Chapter 408A**

### **Options on CME European CAT Index Futures**

#### 408A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of the CME European CAT options.

##### **408A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the termination of Trading Day. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## **Chapter 409A**

### **Options on CME European Seasonal Strip CAT Index Futures**

#### 409A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of the CME European Seasonal Strip CAT options.

##### **409A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the termination of Trading Day. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by

~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## **Chapter 411A**

### **Options on CME Pacific Rim CAT Index Futures**

#### 4011A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of the CME Pacific Rim CAT options.

##### **411A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the termination of Trading Day. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## **Chapter 412A**

### **Options on CME Pacific Rim Seasonal CAT Index Futures**

#### 412A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of the CME Pacific Rim Seasonal Strip CAT options.

##### **412A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer only on the termination of Trading Day. To exercise an option the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

## **Chapter 452A**

### **Options on Three-Month Eurodollar Futures**

#### 452A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Eurodollar options.

##### **452A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day that the option is traded. To exercise an option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in the money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading in such option shall be exercised automatically, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer. An option is in the money if the settlement price of the underlying futures contract at the termination of trading lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

#### 452A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTION EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing, provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 452D

### Options on Three-Month Eurodollar Futures Calendar Spreads

#### 452D02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of Eurodollar Calendar Spread options.

##### **452D02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day that the option is traded. To exercise an option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer, be exercised automatically.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instruction prior to the deadline.

The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 453A

### Options on One-Month Eurodollar Futures

#### 453A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

##### **453A02.A. Exercise of Option by Buyer**

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day that the option is traded. To exercise an option, the clearing member representing the buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of exercise.

An option that is in-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall be exercised automatically, in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the day of expiration by the clearing member representing the option buyer. An option is in the money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract lies above the exercise price in the case of a call, or lies below the exercise price in the case of a put.

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to; (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Appendix B

### CBOT Rulebook

#### Chapter 10A Options on Corn Futures

##### 10A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Corn futures options.

###### **10A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Corn futures option may exercise the option on any business day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money options shall be automatically exercised unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading.

Unexercised Corn futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

##### 10A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

#### Chapter 10J Corn Calendar Spread Options

##### 10J02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Corn Calendar Spread Options.

###### **10J02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Corn Calendar Spread option may exercise the option only on the business day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day. In-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading in such option shall be automatically exercised in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer.

The Corn Calendar Spread is calculated using final settlement values for the underlying contracts in the following formula: (Settlement Price of specified nearby Corn futures) – (Settlement Price of specified deferred Corn futures). An option is in-the-money if the settlement price of the underlying Calendar Spread is greater in the case of a call, or less in the case of a put, than the exercise price of the option.

##### 10J04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 10N

### Wheat–Corn Intercommodity Spread Options

#### 10N02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Wheat–Corn Intercommodity Spread Options.

##### **10N02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Wheat–Corn Intercommodity Spread option may exercise the option only on the business day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day. In-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading in such option shall be automatically exercised in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer.

The Wheat–Corn Intercommodity Spread is calculated using final settlement values for the underlying contracts in the following formula: (Settlement Price of specified Wheat futures) – (Settlement Price of specified Corn futures). An option is in-the-money if the settlement price of the underlying Intercommodity Spread is less in the case of a put, or greater in the case of a call, than the exercise price of the option.

#### 10N04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 11A

### Options on Soybean Futures

#### 11A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Soybean Options.

##### **11A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Soybean futures option may exercise the option on any business day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money options shall be automatically exercised, unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading.

Unexercised Soybean futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

#### 11A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 11C

### Soybean Board Crush Spread Options

#### 11C02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the

exercise and assignment of Soybean Board Crush Spread Options.

**11C02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Soybean Crush Spread option may exercise the option on any business day up to and including the day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day. In-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading in such option shall be automatically exercised in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer.

The Soybean Board Crush Spread is calculated using final settlement values for the underlying contracts in the following formula: [(Settlement Price of Soybean Meal in \$/short ton x .022) + Settlement Price of Soybean Oil in cents/pound x 11] – (Settlement Price of Soybeans in \$/bushel). The results of this calculation are rounded to the nearest quarter of one cent (\$0.0025). An option is in-the-money if the rounded settlement price of the underlying Soybean Board Crush Spread is less in the case of a put, or greater in the case of a call, than the exercise price of the option.

If a component contract month's settlement price is unavailable for any reason or a component contract month's settlement price is "close on the limit bid" or "close on the limit sellers", then the value for the Soybean Board Crush Spread shall be the midpoint of the last bid and ask of the Soybean Board Crush Spread unless extenuating circumstances exist under which the Pit Committee can justify setting the Soybean Board Crush Spread at a price different from the midpoint. If the Soybean Board Crush Spread differs from the midpoint of the last bid and ask of the Soybean Board Crush Spread, then the Pit Committee is required to document the basis for the deviation. Such documentation must be signed by two members of the Pit Committee.

11C04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 11E Soybean Calendar Spread Options

11E02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Soybean Calendar Spread Options.

**11E02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Soybean Calendar Spread option may exercise the option only on the business day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day. In-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading in such option shall be automatically exercised in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer.

The Soybean Calendar Spread is calculated using final settlement values for the underlying contracts in the following formula: (Settlement Price of specified nearby Soybean futures) – (Settlement Price of specified deferred Soybean futures). An option is in-the-money if the settlement price of the underlying Calendar Spread is greater in the case of a call, or less in the case of a put, than the exercise price of the option.

11E04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.



## Chapter 12A

### Options on Soybean Oil Futures

#### 12A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Soybean Oil Options.

##### **12A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Soybean Oil futures option may exercise the option on any business day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money options shall be automatically exercised, unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading.

Unexercised Soybean Oil futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

#### 12A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 12B

### Soybean Oil Calendar Spread Options

#### 12B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Soybean Oil Calendar Spread Options.

##### **12B02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Soybean Oil Calendar Spread option may exercise the option only on the business day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day. In-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading in such option shall be automatically exercised in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer.

The Soybean Oil Calendar Spread is calculated using final settlement values for the underlying contracts in the following formula: (Settlement Price of specified nearby Soybean Oil futures) – (Settlement Price of specified deferred Soybean Oil futures). An option is in-the-money if the settlement price of the underlying Calendar Spread is greater in the case of a call, or less in the case of a put, than the exercise price of the option.

#### 12B04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.



## Chapter 13A

### Options on Soybean Meal Futures

#### 13A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Soybean Meal Options.

##### **13A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Soybean Meal futures option may exercise the option on any business day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money options shall be automatically exercised, unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading.

Unexercised Soybean Meal futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

#### 13A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 13B

### Soybean Meal Calendar Spread Options

#### 13B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Soybean Meal Calendar Spread Options.

##### **13B02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Soybean Meal Calendar Spread option may exercise the option only on the business day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day. In-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading in such option shall be automatically exercised in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer.

The Soybean Meal Calendar Spread is calculated using final settlement values for the underlying contracts in the following formula: (Settlement Price of specified nearby Soybean Meal futures) – (Settlement Price of specified deferred Soybean Meal futures). An option is in-the-money if the settlement price of the underlying Calendar Spread is greater in the case of a call, or less in the case of a put, than the exercise price of the option.

#### 13B04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 14A Options on Wheat Futures

### 14A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Wheat Options.

#### **14A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Wheat futures option may exercise the option on any business day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money options shall be automatically exercised, unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading.

Unexercised Wheat futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

### 14A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 14D Wheat Calendar Spread Options

### 14D02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Soybean Calendar Spread Options.

#### **14D02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Wheat Calendar Spread option may exercise the option only on the business day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day. In-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading in such option shall be automatically exercised in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer.

The Wheat Calendar Spread is calculated using final settlement values for the underlying contracts in the following formula: (Settlement Price of specified nearby Wheat futures) – (Settlement Price of specified deferred Wheat futures). An option is in-the-money if the settlement price of the underlying Calendar Spread is greater in the case of a call, or less in the case of a put, than the exercise price of the option.

### 14D04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 14L Options on KC HRW Wheat Futures

### 14L01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

#### **14L01.A. Contract Months**

Options shall be listed for trading in the following months:

a. For options months in the ordinary cycle of the underlying futures contract (i.e., July, September, December, March and May), the number of months listed shall be the same as the underlying futures contract, provided, however, that a new option contract based on the ordinary cycle will be introduced the day after trading has commenced in the underlying futures pursuant to Rule 14L01.A.

b. For options months outside the ordinary cycle (i.e., August, October, November, January, February, April and June, hereinafter referred to as "serial" months), the number of months listed shall be established by the Exchange. However, no serial months shall be listed outside of the months listed pursuant to subsection (a) above.

c. Weekly options expire on every Friday, except for those Fridays on which standard or serial options are scheduled to expire. A new weekly option will automatically be introduced the business day following the expiration of a weekly option so that three weekly options are always listed concurrently.

d. For short-dated new crop options, on the first trading day following the expiration of the September option, list at least 3 contract months: December, March, and May. A new listing cycle will begin on the first trading day following the expiration of the next September option.

For options that expire in the ordinary cycle (i.e., July, September, December, March and May), the underlying futures contract is the futures contract corresponding to the option expiration month. For serial options (options outside the ordinary cycle), the underlying futures contract is the next futures contract in the ordinary cycle nearest the option expiration month. For example, the underlying futures contract for an option contract expiring in October or November is the December futures contract. For weekly options, the underlying futures contract is the nearby futures contract. However, if the nearby futures are still trading but the standard option on that futures has expired, then weekly options expire into the second-listed futures contract. For short-dated new crop options, the underlying futures contract is the July futures contract that is nearest to the expiration of the options.

A new option based on a futures month within the ordinary cycle will be introduced the day after trading has commenced in the underlying futures contract for that contract month, (for example — if on February 1, the December futures contract had traded for the first time, then on February 2, an option month for the December futures contract is listed, having strike prices as specified in Rule 14L01.E). A new option based on a serial month (a month outside of the ordinary cycle) will automatically be introduced the day following the expiration of a serial month, so as to at all times have available for trading the number of serial months established by the Exchange for trading, (for example, if the Exchange has authorized the listing of three serial months, and those months currently traded are January, February and April, then the serial contract month of June will automatically be listed for trading the day following the expiration of the January contract month). A new weekly option will automatically be introduced the business day following the expiration of a weekly option so that three weekly options are always listed concurrently. Weekly options expire on every Friday, except for those Fridays on which standard or serial options are scheduled to expire. On the business day following the expiration of standard or serial options, no new weekly option will be introduced. For short-dated new crop options, on the first trading day following expiration of the September option, list at least 3 contract months: December, March, and May.

#### **14L01.B. Trading Unit**

The size of the unit of trading in the options contract shall be five thousand (5,000) bushels, the same size as the underlying futures contract.

#### **14L01.C. Minimum Fluctuations**

Bids and offers for options shall be measured and expressed in increments of one-eighth of one cent (1/8¢) per bushel. However, for options valued at less than one-eighth of one cent (1/8¢), the option premium may range from \$1.00 to \$6.00 in \$1.00 increments per option contract.

#### **14L01.D. Trading Hours**

The hours of trading for options on KC HRW Wheat futures contracts shall be determined by the Exchange. KC HRW Wheat futures options shall be opened and closed for all months and strike prices simultaneously or in such other manner as determined by the Exchange.

#### **14L01.E. Exercise Prices**

At the commencement of trading a new standard option month, the following strike prices shall be listed: the strike price closest to the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract (the at-

the-money strike), and strikes in integral multiples of ten cents (10¢) per bushel in a range 50 percent above and below the at-the-money strike.

At the commencement of trading serial month options, weekly options and short-dated new crop options and for standard option months the business day they become the third listed month, the following strike prices shall be listed: the strike price closest to the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract (the at-the-money strike), and strikes in integral multiples of five cents (5¢) per bushel in a range 25 percent above and below the at-the-money strike.

If the previous day's settlement price is midway between two strike prices, the closest price shall be the larger of the two. (For example – if a new futures month contract closes at \$3.75, the closest price is \$3.80.) The Exchange may modify the procedures for the introduction of strikes as it deems appropriate in order to respond to market conditions.

Any close which causes there to be less than the range of strike prices prescribed by Rule 14L01.E will cause new strike prices to be added the next day in order to have at least the range of strike prices pursuant to Rule 14L01.E available for trading. Upon demand and at the discretion of the Exchange, new out-of-current-range strike prices at regularly defined intervals may be added for trading on as soon as possible basis. The Exchange may modify the procedures for the introduction of strikes as it deems appropriate in order to respond to market conditions.

As new strike prices are added, existing strikes outside the newly determined strike ranges without open interest may be de-listed.

#### **14L01.F. Position Limits, Exemptions, Position Accountability and Reportable Levels**

The applicable position limits and/or accountability levels, in addition to the reportable levels, are set forth in the Position Limit, Position Accountability and Reportable Level Table in the Interpretations & Special Notices Section of Chapter 5.

A Person seeking an exemption from position limits for bona fide commercial purposes shall apply to the Market Regulation Department on forms provided by the Exchange, and the Market Regulation Department may grant qualified exemptions in its sole discretion.

Refer to Rule 559 for requirements concerning the aggregation of positions and allowable exemptions from the specified position limits.

#### **14L01.G. Reserved**

#### **14L01.H. Nature of Options on KC HRW Wheat Futures**

The "option premium" shall be the sum paid to the writer of a call option who agrees to deliver the underlying futures contracts against payment of the exercise price upon being assigned an exercise notice. The premium with respect to the writer of a put option is the sum paid to the writer of the put option who agrees to purchase the underlying futures contract on which the put is written at the exercise price upon being assigned an exercise notice. Both put options and call options may be written.

The Clearing House must receive from each of its Clearing Members, and each Clearing Member must receive from each other party for whom it clears commodity option transactions, and each FCM must receive from each of its option customers, the full amount of each option premium at the time the option is purchased, or within a reasonable time thereafter.

The strike price is the price at which a party may purchase or sell the underlying futures contract upon exercise of an option. The strike price will be determined in accordance with the following Rules.

#### **14L01.I. Termination of Trading**

a. For options months in the ordinary cycle; no trades in options expiring in the current month shall be made after the close of the electronic trading system on the last Friday which precedes by at least two (2) business days, the first notice day for the corresponding futures contract.

b. For serial options months (months outside the ordinary cycle); no trades shall be made after the close of the electronic trading session on the Friday which precedes by at least two (2) business days, the last business day of the calendar month immediately preceding the option serial month, (for example, for November serial options contracts, the last trading day is the Friday which precedes by at least two (2) business days, the last business day in October). If such Friday is not a business day, the last day of trading shall be the business day prior to such Friday. Unexercised options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

c. For weekly options; no trades in weekly options shall be made after the close of the electronic trading system on the Friday such a weekly option expires. If such Friday is not a business day, the last day of trading shall be the business day prior to such Friday. Unexercised options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

d. For short-dated new crop options, the last day of trading in any option for expiry in a given month shall be the last Friday which precedes by at least two business days the last business day of the calendar month preceding such option's named expiry month. If such Friday is not a business day, then

the last day of trading in such option shall be the business day prior to such Friday. On their last day of trading, short-dated new crop options shall cease trading at the same time that its corresponding futures contract ceases trading. Unexercised options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

#### 14L02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of KC HRW Wheat Options.

##### **14L02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a KC HRW Wheat futures option may exercise the option on any business day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money options shall be automatically exercised, unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading. Unexercised KC HRW Wheat futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

#### 14L04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## **Chapter 14M KC HRW Wheat Calendar Spread Options**

#### 14M02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7 and Chapter 14H, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of KC HRW W heat Calendar Spread Options.

##### **14M02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a KC HRW Wheat Calendar Spread option may exercise the option only on the business day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day. In-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading in such option shall be automatically exercised in the absence of contrary instructions delivered to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading by the clearing member representing the option buyer.

The KC HRW Wheat Calendar Spread is calculated using final settlement values for the underlying contracts in the following formula: (Settlement Price of specified nearby KC HRW Wheat futures) – (Settlement Price of specified deferred KC HRW Wheat futures). An option is in-the-money if the settlement price of the underlying Calendar Spread is greater in the case of a call, or less in the case of a put, than the exercise price of the option.

#### 14M04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 15A Options on Oat Futures

### 15A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Oat Options.

#### **15A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of an Oat futures option may exercise the option on any business day prior to expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money options shall be automatically exercised, unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading.

### 15A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 16A Standard Options on Denatured Fuel Ethanol Futures

### 16A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of put and call options on Denatured Fuel Ethanol futures.

#### **16A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Denatured Fuel Ethanol futures option may exercise the option on any business day up to and including the day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned provisions, all in-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading shall be automatically exercised unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading.

Unexercised Denatured Fuel Ethanol futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time on the last day of trading.

### 16A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 17A Options on Rough Rice Futures

### 17A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Rough Rice Options.

#### **17A02.A. Exercise of Option**

The buyer of a Rough Rice futures option may exercise the option on any business day prior to



expiration by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money options shall be automatically exercised, unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading.

Unexercised Rough Rice futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading.

#### 17A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

### Chapter 18A

#### Standard Options on U.S. Treasury Bond Futures

##### 18A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

###### 18A02.A. Exercise

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any business day that such option is traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

###### 1. All Options Excluding Wednesday Weekly Options

An unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 18A01.I).

An option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** (or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 18A01.I).

A call option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract (Rules 18A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rules 18A01.I.) lies strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option lies strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

##### 18A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ (in accord with Rule 18A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

### Chapter 18B

#### Flexible Options on U.S. Treasury Bond Futures

##### 18B01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

###### 18B01.F. Expiration Date

Flexible option expiration may be specified for any Monday through Friday that is not an Exchange holiday except that expiration may not occur following the last Friday that precedes by at least two business days the last business day of the calendar month preceding the underlying futures contract month. Flexible options expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last trading day.



However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 18B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

## 18B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Flexible U.S. Treasury Bond options.

### 18B02.A. Exercise of Option

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money flexible options will be automatically exercised unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on that day.

Notification of the intent to exercise a flexible option must be received by the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange. No exceptions to the ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** exercise deadline, or such other deadline designated by the Exchange, shall be permitted.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 18B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

## Chapter 19A Standard Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures

## 19A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

### 19A02.A. Exercise

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any business day that such option is traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

#### 1. All Options Excluding Wednesday Weekly Options

An unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 19A01.I).

An option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** (or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 19A01.I).

A call option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract (Rules 19A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rules 19A01.I.) lies strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option lies strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

## 19A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ (in accord with Rule 19A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 19B Flexible Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures

## 19B01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

### 19B01.F. Expiration Date

Flexible option expiration may be specified for any Monday through Friday that is not an Exchange holiday except that expiration may not occur following the last Friday that precedes by at least two business days the last business day of the calendar month preceding the underlying futures contract

month. Flexible options expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last trading day.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 19B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

## 19B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Flexible Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note options.

### 19B02.A. Exercise of Option

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money flexible options will be automatically exercised unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on that day.

Notification of the intent to exercise a flexible option must be received by the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange. No exceptions to the ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** exercise deadline, or such other deadline designated by the Exchange, shall be permitted.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 19B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

## Chapter 20A Standard Options on Medium-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures

## 20A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

### 20A02.A. Exercise

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any business day that such option is traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

#### 1. All Options Excluding Wednesday Weekly Options

An unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 20A01.I).

An option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** (or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 20A01.I).

A call option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract (Rules 20A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rules 20A01.I.) lies strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option lies strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

## 20A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ (in accord with Rule 20A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 20B

### Flexible Options on Medium-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures

#### 20B01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

##### 20B01.F. Expiration Date

Flexible option expiration may be specified for any Monday through Friday that is not an Exchange holiday except that expiration may not occur following the last Friday that precedes by at least two business days the last business day of the calendar month preceding the underlying futures contract month. Flexible options expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last trading day.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 20B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

#### 20B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Flexible Medium-Term U.S. Treasury Note Options.

##### 20B02.A. Exercise of Option

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money flexible options will be automatically exercised unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on that day.

Notification of the intent to exercise a flexible option must be received by the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange. No exceptions to the ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** exercise deadline, or such other deadline designated by the Exchange, shall be permitted.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 20B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

## Chapter 21A

### Standard Options on Short-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures

#### 21A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

##### 21A02.A. Exercise

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any business day that such option is traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

##### 1. All Options Excluding Wednesday Weekly Options

An unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 21A01.I).

An option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** (or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 21A01.I).

A call option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract (Rules 21A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rules 21A01.I.) lies strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option lies strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

#### 21A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ (in accord with Rule 21A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) un-reconciled Exchange option

transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## **Chapter 21B**

### **Flexible Options on Short-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures**

#### 21B01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

##### **21B01.F. Expiration Date**

Flexible option expiration may be specified for any Monday through Friday that is not an Exchange holiday except that expiration may not occur following the last Friday that precedes by at least two business days the last business day of the calendar month preceding the underlying futures contract month. Flexible options expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last trading day.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 21B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

#### 21B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Flexible Short-Term U.S. Treasury Note options.

##### **21B02.A. Exercise of Option**

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money flexible options will be automatically exercised unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on that day.

Notification of the intent to exercise a flexible option must be received by the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange. No exceptions to the ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** exercise deadline, or such other deadline designated by the Exchange, shall be permitted.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 21B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

## **Chapter 22A**

### **Standard Options on 30-Day Federal Funds Futures**

#### 22A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

##### **22A02.A. Exercise of Option**

###### 1. Standard Options

The buyer of a Standard option on 30-Day Fed Fund futures may exercise the option on any business day up to and including the day such option expires by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned provisions, all in-the-money options that have not been liquidated or exercised on the last day of trading shall be automatically exercised after ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the business day following the last day of trading, or such time designated by the Exchange, unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House. Notice to cancel automatic exercise shall be given to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the business day following the last day of trading, or by such other time designated by the Exchange.

An option is in-the-money if the final settlement price of the underlying futures contract is less in the case of a put, or greater in the case of a call, than the exercise price of the option.

Unexercised 30-Day Fed Fund futures options shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time on the next business day after the termination of trading.

###### 2. Mid-Curve Options

The buyer of a Mid-Curve option on 30-Day Fed Fund futures may exercise such option on any day of trading, except on the day such option expires, by giving notice of exercise to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on such day.

All mid-curve options that are in-the-money and have not been liquidated or exercised prior to the termination of trading shall be exercised automatically.

A mid-curve option is in-the-money if the daily settlement price of the underlying futures contract is less in the case of a put, or greater in the case of a call, than the exercise price of the mid-curve option.

Any Mid-Curve option that is out-of-the-money and has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time on its last day of trading (Rule 22A01.I.2.).

#### 22A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after the ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** deadline and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing provided that such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) an unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to the deadline. The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

### Chapter 26A Standard Options on 10-Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures

#### 26A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

##### 26A02.A. Exercise

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any business day that such option is traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

##### 1. All Options Excluding Wednesday Weekly Options

An unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 26A01.I.).

An option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** (or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 26A01.I.).

A call option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract (Rules 26A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rules 26A01.I.) lies strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option lies strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

#### 26A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and no later than ~~7:00 p.m.~~ (in accord with Rule 26A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

### Chapter 26B Flexible Options on 10-Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures

#### 26B01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

##### 26B01.F. Expiration Date

Flexible option expiration may be specified for any Monday through Friday that is not an Exchange holiday except that expiration may not occur following the last Friday that precedes by at least two business days the last business day of the calendar month preceding the underlying futures contract month. Flexible options expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last trading day.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 26B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

## 26B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Flexible 10-Year U.S. Treasury Note options.

### 26B02.A. Exercise of Option

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money flexible options will be automatically exercised unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on that day.

Notification of the intent to exercise a flexible option must be received by the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange. No exceptions to the ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** exercise deadline, or such other deadline designated by the Exchange, shall be permitted.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 26B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

## Chapter 27A CBOT® E-mini Dow Jones Industrial Average<sup>SM</sup> Index (\$5 Multiplier) Futures Options

## 27A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise of options.

### 27A02.A. Exercise

#### 1. Quarterly Options and Serial Options

Any Quarterly option (Rule 27A01.D.1.) may be exercised by the buyer on any Business Day on which such option may be traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

Any unexercised option shall expire at ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 27A01.I.). Any option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange, on the last day of trading in such option.

A call option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract (Rule 27A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 27A01.I.) is strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the settlement price of such option's Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option is strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

## 27A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTION EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** and up to the beginning of final option expiration processing (in accord with Rules 27A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) unreconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 40A Standard Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Bond Futures

## 40A02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

### 40A02.A. Exercise

An option may be exercised by the buyer on any business day that such option is traded. To exercise such option, the clearing member representing the option buyer shall present an exercise notice to the Clearing House by ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time as the Exchange may designate, on the day of exercise.

#### 1. All Options Excluding Wednesday Weekly Options

An unexercised option shall expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last day of trading in such option (Rule



40A01.I).

An option that is in the money, and that has not been liquidated or exercised prior to its termination of trading, shall be exercised automatically upon expiration, in the absence of contrary instructions. Such contrary instructions must be delivered to the Clearing House, by the clearing member representing the buyer of such option, no later than ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** (or such other time as may be designated by the Exchange) on the last day of trading in such option (Rule 40A01.I).

A call option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract (Rules 40A01.D.) on the last day of trading in such option (Rules 40A01.I.) lies strictly above such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or below such option's exercise price.

A put option shall be in the money if the daily settlement price of the Underlying Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such option lies strictly below such option's exercise price, and shall be out of the money if such daily settlement price is at or above such option's exercise price.

#### 40A04. CORRECTIONS TO OPTIONS EXERCISES

Corrections to option exercises, including automatic exercises, may be accepted by the Clearing House after ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** [~~and no later than 7:00 p.m.~~] (in accord with Rule 40A02.A.), *provided that* such corrections are necessary due to: (1) a bona fide clerical error, (2) un-reconciled Exchange option transaction(s), or (3) an extraordinary circumstance where the clearing firm and customer are unable to communicate final option exercise instructions prior to ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** The decision as to whether a correction is acceptable will be made by the President of the Clearing House, or the President's designee, and such decision will be final.

## Chapter 40B

### Flexible Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Bond Futures

#### 40B01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

##### 40B01.F. Expiration Date

Flexible option expiration may be specified for any Monday through Friday that is not an Exchange holiday except that expiration may not occur following the last Friday that precedes by at least two business days the last business day of the calendar month preceding the underlying futures contract month. Flexible options expire at ~~7:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** on the last trading day.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 40B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.

#### 40B02. EXERCISE AND ASSIGNMENT

In addition to the applicable procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, the following shall apply to the exercise and assignment of Flexible Long-Term U.S. Treasury Bond options.

##### 40B02.A. Exercise of Option

After the close on the last day of trading, all in-the-money flexible options will be automatically exercised unless notice to cancel automatic exercise is given to the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.**, or by such other time designated by the Exchange, on that day.

Notification of the intent to exercise a flexible option must be received by the Clearing House by ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** Chicago time, or by such other time designated by the Exchange. No exceptions to the ~~5:00 p.m.~~ **5:30 p.m.** exercise deadline, or such other deadline designated by the Exchange, shall be permitted.

However, options which meet the criteria given in the second paragraph of Flexible Option Rule 40B01.G. will follow expiration and exercise procedures as specified in the standard option rules.