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## Rules of the Exchange Option Rules

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## **Rule 1014. Obligations and Restrictions Applicable to Specialists and Registered Options Traders**

(a) No Change.

(b) *ROT*.

(i) No Change.

(ii) (A) - (C) No Change.

(D) Market Making Obligations

(1) In addition to the other requirements for ROTs set forth in this Rule 1014, except as provided in sub-paragraph (4) below, and except as provided in subparagraph (2) below when an RSQT functions as a Remote Specialist in particular options, an SQT and an RSQT shall be responsible to quote twosided markets in not less than 60% of the series in which such SQT or RSQT is assigned, provided that, on any given day, a Directed SQT ("DSQT") or a Directed RSQT ("DRSQT") (as defined in Rule 1080(l)(i)(C)) shall be responsible to quote two-sided markets in the lesser of 99% of the series listed on the Exchange or 100% of the series listed on the Exchange minus one call-put pair, in each case in at least 60% of the options in which such DSQT or DRSQT is assigned. Whenever a DSQT or DRSQT enters a quotation in an option in which such DSQT or DRSQT is assigned, such DSQT or DRSQT must maintain until the close of that trading day quotations for the lesser of 99% of the series of the option listed on the Exchange or 100% of the series of the option listed on the Exchange minus one call-put pair. To satisfy the applicable requirements of this subparagraph (D)(1) with respect to quoting a series, an SQT, RSQT, DSQT, or DRSQT must quote such series 90% of the trading day (as a percentage of the total number of minutes in such trading day) or such higher percentage as the Exchange may announce in advance. These obligations will apply collectively to all appointed issues of an SQT, RSQT, DSQT, or DRSQT, rather than on an issue-by-issue basis. Compliance with this obligation will be determined on a monthly basis. However, determining compliance with the continuous quoting requirement on a monthly basis does not relieve an SQT, RSQT, DSQT, or DRSQT of the obligation to provide continuous two-sided quotes on a daily basis, nor will it prohibit the Exchange from taking disciplinary

action against an SQT, RSQT, DSQT, or DRSQT for failing to meet the continuous quoting obligation each trading day.

The Exchange may consider exceptions to the requirement to quote 90% (or higher) of the trading day based on demonstrated legal or regulatory requirements or other mitigating circumstances.

(2) The specialist (including the RSQT functioning as a Remote Specialist in particular options) shall be responsible to quote two-sided markets in the lesser of 99% of the series or 100% of the series minus one call-put pair in each option in which such specialist is assigned. To satisfy the requirement of this subparagraph (D)(2) with respect to quoting a series, the specialist must quote such series 90% of the trading day (as a percentage of the total number of minutes in such trading day) or such higher percentage as the Exchange may announce in advance. These obligations will apply collectively to all appointed issues of the specialist, rather than on an issueby-issue basis. Compliance with this obligation will be determined on a monthly basis. However, determining compliance with the continuous quoting requirement on a monthly basis does not relieve the specialist (including the RSQT functioning as a Remote Specialist in particular options) of the obligation to provide continuous two-sided quotes on a daily basis, nor will it prohibit the Exchange from taking disciplinary action against the specialist (including the RSQT functioning as a Remote Specialist in particular options) for failing to meet the continuous quoting obligation each trading day.

The Exchange may consider exceptions to the requirement to quote 90% (or higher) of the trading day based on demonstrated legal or regulatory requirements or other mitigating circumstances.

- (3) (6) No Change.
- (E) No Change.
- (c) (g) No Change.

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