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## **Rule 7P EQUITIES TRADING**

**Section 1. General Provisions** 

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## Rule 7.19. Pre-Trade Risk Controls

- (a) The following are definitions for purposes of this Rule:
  - (1) "Entering Firm" means a member organization that either has a correspondent relationship with a Clearing Firm whereby it executes trades and the clearing function is the responsibility of the Clearing Firm or clears for its own account.
  - (2) "Clearing Firm" means a member organization that acts as principal for clearing and settling a trade, whether for its own account or for an Entering Firm.
  - (3) "Single Order Maximum Notional Value Risk Limit" means a preestablished maximum dollar amount for a single order before it can be traded.
  - (4) "Single Order Maximum Quantity Risk Limit" means a pre-established maximum number of shares that may be included in a single order before it can be traded.
  - (5) "Gross Credit Risk Limit" means a pre-established maximum daily dollar amount for purchases and sales across all symbols, where both buy and sell orders are counted as positive values. For purposes of calculating the Gross Credit Risk Limit, unexecuted orders in the Exchange Book, orders routed on arrival pursuant to Rule 7.37(a)(1), and executed orders are included.

The Exchange will separately calculate Gross Credit Risk Limits for: (i) all unexecuted and executed orders; (ii) unexecuted orders only; and (iii) executed orders only.

## (b) **Pre-Trade Risk Controls**

- (1) Pre-Trade Risk Controls Set by Entering Firm. An Entering Firm may select one or more of the following optional pre-trade risk controls with respect to its trading activity on the Exchange: (i) one or more Gross Credit Risk Limits; (ii) Single Order Maximum Notional Value Risk Limits and (iii) Single Order Maximum Quantity Risk Limits (collectively the "Pre-Trade Risk Controls").
- (2) Clearing Firms Designated to View and Set Pre-Trade Risk Controls.
  - (A) An Entering Firm that does not self-clear may designate its Clearing
    Firm to (i) view any Pre-Trade Risk Controls set by the Entering Firm,
    or (ii) set one or more Pre-Trade Risk Controls on the Entering Firm's
    behalf, or both.
  - (B) An Entering Firm will be able to view any Pre-Trade Risk Controls that its Clearing Firm sets with respect to the Entering Firm's trading activity on the Exchange.
  - (C) By designating a Clearing Firm to set Pre-Trade Risk Controls for an Entering Firm, the Entering Firm consents to the Exchange taking action with respect to the Entering Firm's trading activity as provided for in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this Rule.
- (3) Setting and Adjusting Pre-Trade Risk Controls.
  - (A) Pre-Trade Risk Controls may be set before the beginning of a trading day, and may be adjusted during the trading day.
  - (B) Pre-Trade Risk Controls can be set at the MPID level or at a sub-ID of an MPID, as designated by the Entering Firm.
- (4) Alerts. With respect to Gross Credit Risk Limits, both the Entering Firm and its Clearing Firm may enable alerts to signal when an Entering Firm is approaching its designated credit limit(s).
- (c) <u>Automated Breach Actions</u>. If a Pre-Trade Risk Control is breached, the Exchange will automatically take the following actions.
  - (1) If both an Entering Firm and its Clearing Firm use the same Pre-Trade Risk Control for the Entering Firm and set different limits, the Exchange will enforce the more restrictive limit.

- (2) Breach Action for Single Order Risk Limits. If an order would breach the designated limit of either a Single Order Maximum Notional Value Risk Limit or Single Order Maximum Quantity Risk Limit, such order will be rejected.
- (3) Breach Action for Gross Credit Risk Limits.
  - (A) In setting designated Gross Credit Risk Limits, the Entering Firm or Clearing Firm setting the limit will be required to indicate which of the following actions it wishes the Exchange to take if a Gross Credit Risk Limit is breached:
    - (i) Notification Only: The Exchange will notify the Entering Firm or Clearing Firm that a limit has been breached and continue to accept new orders and order instructions and will not cancel any unexecuted orders in the Exchange Book.
    - (ii) Block Only: The Exchange will reject new orders and order instructions, provided that the Exchange will continue to accept instructions from the Entering Firm to cancel one or more orders (including Auction-Only Orders) in full or any of the instructions specified in paragraph (e) of this Rule.
    - (iii) Cancel and Block: In addition to the restrictions defined above for "Block Only," the Exchange will cancel all unexecuted orders in the Exchange Book other than Auction-Only Orders.
  - (B) If a Gross Credit Risk Limit is breached, the Exchange will enforce the action that was chosen by the party that set the limit that was breached.
  - (C) If both the Entering Firm and Clearing Firm set the same limit, upon breach of that limit, the Exchange will enforce the most restrictive action selected by any of the parties in setting that limit. For purposes of this paragraph, "Cancel and Block" is more restrictive than "Block Only," which is more restrictive than "Notification Only."
- (d) Reinstatement of Entering Firm After Automated Breach Action. If either "Block Only" or "Cancel and Block" Automated Breach Actions have been triggered, the Exchange will not reinstate the Entering Firm's ability to enter orders and order instructions on the Exchange (other than instructions to cancel one or more orders (including Auction-Only Orders) in full) until it has received notification that the Entering Firm can be reinstated, as follows:
  - (1) If the Gross Credit Risk Limit that was breached was set by the Entering Firm, the Entering Firm must seek reinstatement on the Exchange.

- (2) If the Gross Credit Risk Limit that was breached was set by a Clearing Firm, the Entering Firm must seek reinstatement on the Exchange, unless the Clearing Firm designates that it must approve the Entering Firm's reinstatement, in which case both the Entering Firm and Clearing Firm must seek reinstatement.
- (e) <u>Member Organization-Directed Actions</u>. An Entering Firm, or if authorized pursuant to paragraph (b)(2)(A) of this Rule, its Clearing Firm, can direct the Exchange to take one or more of the following actions with respect to orders at either an MPID or, if designated, sub-ID level:
  - (1) Cancel all Auction-Only Orders;
  - (2) Cancel all unexecuted orders in the Exchange Book other than Auction-Only Orders; or
  - (3) Reject entry of any new orders and order instructions, provided that the Exchange will continue to accept instructions from the Entering Firm to cancel one or more orders (including Auction-Only Orders) in full.

## Commentary

.01 The pre-trade risk controls described in this Rule are meant to supplement, and not replace, the member organization's own internal systems, monitoring, and procedures related to risk management and are not designed for compliance with Rule 15c3-5 under the Exchange Act. Responsibility for compliance with all Exchange and SEC rules remains with the member organization.