

Chapter 318

Chinese Renminbi/Euro (RMB/EUR) Cross Rate Futures

31800. SCOPE OF CHAPTER

This chapter is limited in application to Chinese renminbi/Euro cross rate futures. In addition to this chapter, Chinese renminbi/Euro cross rate futures shall be subject to the general rules and regulations of the Exchange insofar as applicable.

For purposes of this chapter, unless otherwise specified, times referred to herein shall refer to and indicate Chicago time.

31801. TRADING SPECIFICATIONS

31801.A. Trading Schedule

Futures contracts shall be scheduled for trading and final settlement during such hours and in such months as may be determined by the Exchange.

31801.B. Trading Unit

The unit of trading shall be 1,000,000 yuan Chinese renminbi.¹

31801.C. Quote Basis

Bids and offers shall be quoted in terms of Euro per Chinese renminbi, significant to five decimal places, e.g., 0.10551Euro per Chinese renminbi.

31801.D. Price Increments

Minimum price fluctuations shall be in multiples of .00001 Euro per Chinese renminbi, equivalent to 10 Euro per contract. Trades may also occur in multiples of .000005 Euro per Chinese renminbi, equivalent to 5 Euro per contract, commonly referred to as one-half tick, for RMB/EUR futures intra-currency spreads, executed as simultaneous transactions pursuant to Rule 542.

31801.E. [Reserved]

31801.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.

31801.G. Special Price Fluctuation Limits

At the commencement of each trading day, the contract shall be subject to special price fluctuation limits as set forth in Rule 589 and in the Special Price Fluctuation Limits Table in the Interpretations & Special Notices Section of Chapter 5.

31801.H. [Reserved]

31801.I. Termination of Trading

Futures trading shall terminate at 9:00 a.m. Beijing time on the second Beijing Business Day immediately preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month.

¹ The Chinese renminbi ("RMB" or "people's currency") is denominated in the unit "yuan."

31801.J. [Reserved]

31802. SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES

31802.A. [Reserved]

31802.B. Cash Settlement

The Final Settlement Price shall be the reciprocal of the “Chinese renminbi per Euro” fixing (or “midpoint”) rate published by the People’s Bank of China (PBC) and representing spot trading of Chinese renminbi per Euro on the futures contract termination of trading day. Normally, this fixing rate is published at 9:15 a.m. Beijing time on each Beijing Business Day for foreign exchange trading. The fixing rate may be found on the Reuters SAEC page opposite symbol “EURCNY=”. The Final Settlement Price reciprocal calculation shall be rounded to six (6) decimal places. Open positions on the Business Day following the termination of trading day will be marked to market to the Final Settlement Price. For example, a SAEC published rate of 9.65410 Chinese renminbi per Euro implies a Final Settlement Price of 0.103583 Euro per Chinese renminbi (reciprocal rounded to 6 decimal places).

In the event that the “Chinese renminbi per Euro” fixing (or “midpoint”) rate as calculated by the PBC is not published on the CME Chinese renminbi/Euro futures contract Termination of Trading day, but the PBC “Chinese renminbi per U.S. dollar” fixing (or “midpoint”) rate is published, then determination of the Final Settlement Price will be based upon the reciprocal of the product of the bid/ask midpoint of the spot Euro rate as appears on Reuters page EUR= at 9:00 a.m. Beijing time and the PBC USDCNY rate rounded to six (6) decimal places. If the PBC EURCNY and USDCNY rates are unavailable on the termination of trading day, determination of the Final Settlement Price may be postponed or deferred each such day for up to 14 consecutive calendar days. If on the first of any of the intervening 14 calendar days, the PBC EURCNY rate becomes available, then the futures contract Final Settlement Price shall be the reciprocal of the PBC EURCNY rate, rounded to six decimal places. If on the first of any of the intervening 14 calendar days, when the PBC EURCNY rate is unavailable, but the PBC USDCNY rate becomes available, then the futures contract Final Settlement Price shall be the reciprocal of the product of the PBC USDCNY rate and the bid/ask midpoint of the spot Euro rate as appears on Reuters page EUR= at 9:00 a.m. Beijing time, rounded to six decimal places. However, if on the 15th such consecutive calendar day where neither the PBC EURCNY rate nor the PBC USDCNY rate is available, then the Final Settlement Price may be set equal to the reciprocal of the product of the SFEMC CNY Indicative Survey Rate, published by the Singapore Foreign Exchange Market Committee (SFEMC) or its designee, and calculated according to the SFEMC RMB Indicative Survey Rate Methodology published on the SFEMC website (www.sfemc.org) and EMTA, Inc. website (www.emta.org) and the bid/ask midpoint of the spot Euro rate as appears on Reuters page EUR= at 11:00 a.m. Singapore (and Beijing) time, rounded to six (6) decimal places. Details of the survey methodology appear in the CME Rulebook and on the CME Web site (www.cme.com).

However, if SFEMC fails to publish the CNY Indicative Survey Rate on the first Business Day following the lapse of the valuation postponement or deferral period described above (i.e., the 15th consecutive calendar day), and the PBC EURCNY rate and PBC USDCNY rate are also unavailable, then SFEMC shall repeat efforts to obtain the CNY Indicative Survey Rate each day for an additional two Business Days (i.e., the 16th and 17th consecutive calendar days). If on either of these two Business Days the SFEMC CNY Indicative Survey Rate is published and the PBC EURCNY rate and PBC USDCNY rate are unavailable, then the Final Settlement Price of the CME Chinese renminbi/Euro futures contracts shall be the reciprocal of the product of the first of these SFEMC CNY Indicative Survey Rates and that rate’s contemporaneous bid/ask midpoint of the spot Euro rate as appears on Reuters page EUR= at 11:00 a.m. Singapore (and Beijing) time, rounded to six (6) decimal places.

However, if on either of the next two Business Days (i.e., the 16th and 17th consecutive calendar days), the PBC EURCNY rate becomes available, then the futures contract Final Settlement Price shall be the reciprocal of the first such PBC EURCNY rate, rounded to six decimal places. If on either the next two Business Days, when the PBC EURCNY rate is unavailable, but the PBC USDCNY rate becomes available, then the futures contract Final Settlement Price shall be the reciprocal of the product of the first such PBC USDCNY rate and that rate’s contemporaneous bid/ask midpoint of the spot Euro rate as appears on Reuters page EUR= at 9:00 a.m. Beijing time, rounded to six decimal places.

If the SFEMC fails to publish the CNY Indicative Survey Rate on both of these two Business Days and the PBC EURCNY rate and PBC USDCNY rate are unavailable, then Rule 812 shall apply to determine the Final Settlement Price.

However, in the event that the Exchange determines that the Clearing House is not able to determine a Final Settlement Price pursuant to any of the preceding sections, then Rule 812 shall apply to determine the Final Settlement Price.

31803. [RESERVED]

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