

Chapter 457

13-Week U.S. Treasury Bill Futures

45700. SCOPE OF CHAPTER

This chapter is limited in application to 13-Week U.S. Treasury Bill Futures (“futures” or “contract”). In addition to this chapter, futures shall be subject to the general rules and regulations of the Exchange insofar as applicable.

Unless otherwise specified, times referenced herein shall indicate Central Prevailing Time (CPT).

45701. CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

Each contract is valued at \$2,500 times the contract-grade IMM Index (Rule 45702.C.).

45702. TRADING SPECIFICATIONS

45702.A. Trading Schedule

Contract months shall be scheduled for trading during such hours and for delivery in such months as may be determined by the Exchange.

45702.B. Trading Unit

For a given contract month, the unit of trading shall be the discount rate interest based on the 13-Week U.S. Department of Treasury Bill, for settlement in the same week as the contract’s expiry, expressed as an interest rate per annum such that each basis point per annum of interest shall be worth \$25 per futures contract.

45702.C. Price Basis and Minimum Price Increments

For a given contract month, prices shall be quoted and made in terms of the contract IMM Index (“Index”), 100.0000 minus the 13-Week U.S. Department of Treasury Bill discount yield rate per annum, as specified in Rule 45702.B.

Example: Where the value of such a discount yield rate is 5.280 percent per annum, it shall be quoted as an Index value of 94.720.

The minimum price fluctuation shall be 0.005 Index points, equal to \$12.50 per contract, provided that the minimum price fluctuation shall be 0.0025 Index points, equal to \$6.25 per contract, for any contract month with one month or less until its termination of trading (Rule 45702.G.), where the applicable one-month interval shall be defined so as to begin on the Business Day following the Friday prior to the third Wednesday of the month preceding the month in which trading in such contract terminates.

45702.D. 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.

45702.E. 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 and Daily Price Limits Table in the Interpretations & Special Notices Section of Chapter 5.

45702.F. [Reserved]

45702.G. Termination of Trading

Trading in an expiring contract shall terminate at 2:00 p.m. on the Monday of the same week as the contract’s expiry. If the market is closed on Monday, trading in an expiring contract shall terminate at 2:00 p.m. on the Tuesday of the same week as the contract’s expiry.

45702.H. [Reserved]

45703. SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES

Delivery shall be by cash settlement.

45703.A. Final Settlement Price**1. Definition of Final Settlement Price**

The final settlement price shall be 100 minus the highest discount rate accepted, rounded to the nearest 1/1,000th of a percentage point, in the U.S. Department of Treasury 13-week U.S. Treasury Bill auction.

If the U.S. Department of Treasury 13-week U.S. Treasury Bill auction is delayed past the contract's last trade date/time or canceled, then the final settlement price shall be sourced from the Daily Treasury Bill Rates published by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, which represents the daily secondary market quotations on the most recently auctioned 13-Week U.S. Department of Treasury Bill, on the day of the initially proposed auction.

If the Daily Treasury Bill Rates published by the U.S. Department of the Treasury is unavailable, then the final settlement price shall be determined by the [CME 3-Month Term SOFR Benchmark Rate](#) on the day of the originally scheduled auction, converted into a discount rate.

45703.B. Final Settlement

Clearing members holding open positions in a contract at the time of termination of trading in such contract shall make payment to or receive payment from the Clearing House in accordance with normal variation performance bond procedures based on a settlement price equal to the final settlement price.

45704.-35. [RESERVED]