

Cryptocurrency Futures and Options Expansion to 24/7 Overview

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24/7 Cryptocurrency Trading Impacts

Key changes to support 24/7 cryptocurrency trading

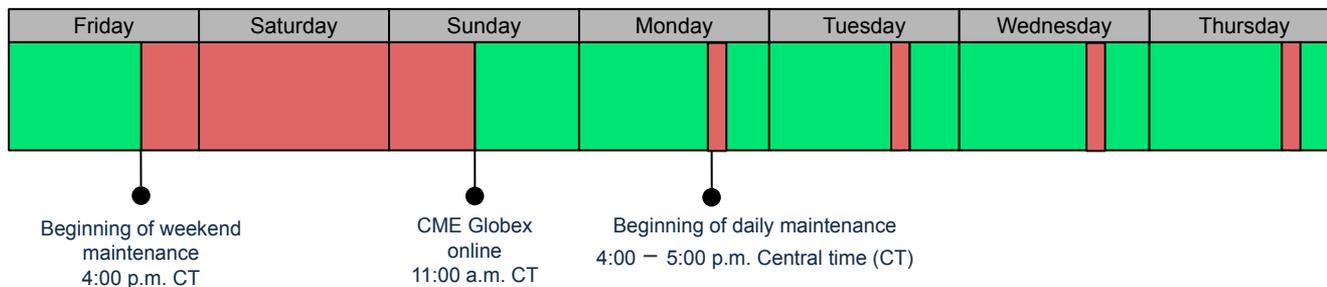
- [24/7 Trading](#) will include holidays, Saturday, and Sunday:

Day	Type	Close	Pre-Open/Open
Saturday	Extended Maintenance Window	Close: 2:00 a.m. – 3:45 a.m. CT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Pre-open: 3:45 a.m. CT – 4:00 a.m. CT● Open: 4:00 a.m. CT
Monday through Friday	Daily Maintenance Window (with Trade Date roll)	Close: 4:00:00 p.m. – 4:00:45 p.m. CT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Pre-open: 4:00:45 p.m. CT – 4:01:00 p.m. CT● Open: 4:01 p.m. CT

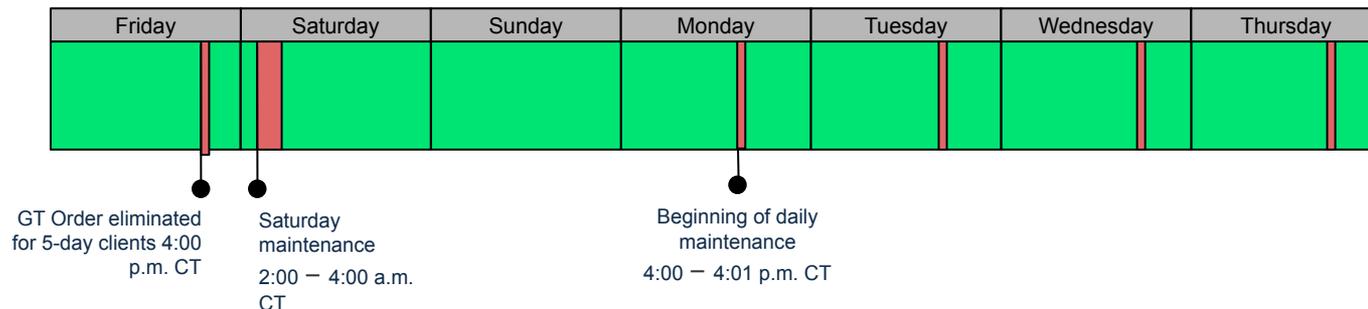
- Existing [iLink](#), [Drop Copy](#) and [MDP 3.0](#) functionality is supported.
- [Testing](#):
 - No new iLink, Drop Copy, straight through processing (STP) and MDP 3.0 certifications.
 - New Release weekend testing is not available.

24/7 Trading - Maintenance Cycle

CME Globex Maintenance Cycles - Cryptocurrency today



CME Globex Maintenance Cycles - Cryptocurrency 24/7

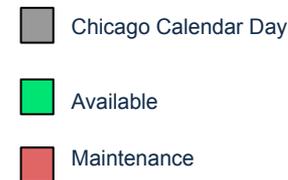


24/7 Maintenance Impacts

-The 59 minute reduction in the daily [maintenance](#) window is an impact for both five and 7-day clients.

-On Friday 4:00 p.m. beginning of maintenance Good Till (GT) orders are eliminated for 5-day clients.

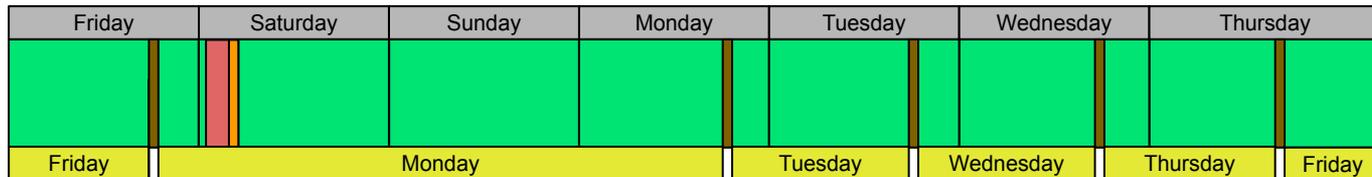
-During Saturday startup, client systems must clear their books and prepare for a iLink/DC/MDP 3.0 sequence number reset. Resting day orders and mass quotes are eliminated.



24/7 Trading - Trade Date Processing

Trade date processing follows established standards

Typical - 24/7



Trade date changes

24/7 Trade Date Impacts

As with CME Globex today, the [trade date](#) will change with the daily Monday-Friday Close > Preopen > Open (4:00– 4:01 p.m. CT).

Holiday - 24/7



Tuesday trade date due to upcoming Monday holiday

Monday holiday

- Chicago Calendar Day
- CME Globex Available
- Weekly Maintenance - Close
- Weekly Maintenance - Close/Preopen
- Daily Maintenance - Close/Preopen/Open
- Trade Date

Client Impacts - Engine & Market Data

Access global data, 24/7

Market Segment

- Existing market segment ID 74 (tag 1300-MarketSegmentID)

Market Data

System	Impact	Channel ID(s)	Note
CME Globex MDP 3.0	Existing	326, 327	Existing MDP 3.0 channels 326 (futures), 327 (options) expanding availability for 24/7
New CME CF Rates and Indexes Channel	New	214	Same data as existing 5-day rates channel (213) with 24/7 support
New Streamlined Block Trades Channel	New	235	Same data as existing 5-day blocks channel (230) with 24/7 support

- Existing CME Globex MDP 3.0 functionality is supported.
- [Smart Stream SBE](#) and [MDP Websocket API](#) support.
- Weekend support for Settlements and Valuations (S&V) is not available.

Client Impacts - CME Globex Market Access

Empowering clients with around the clock market access

iLink Order Entry

- Existing iLink functionality is supported.
- No new messaging impacts.
- NEW - Good Till (GT) order support.
- NEW - Convenience Gateway (CGW) support.
- TBD - Order Entry Service Gateway (OESGW) IP impact.

Drop Copy

- Existing Drop Copy functionality is supported.
- No new messaging impacts.
- NEW - CGW support.



iLink and Drop Copy Session Support

Access	Client Type	Impact
Market Segment Gateway (MSGW) iLink or Drop Copy Session	5-day and 7-day Clients	No impact. Existing sessions support 24/7 on CME Globex.
Convenience Gateway (CGW) iLink or Drop Copy Session	5-Day Clients	Existing CGW sessions support market hours between Sunday 4:00 p.m. and Friday 4:00 p.m. CT. Migration optional for 5-day clients.
	7-day Clients	CGW clients who wish to access weekend trading must create a new CGW 24/7 session. The new session can access <i>all</i> CME Globex futures and options markets (e.g. interest rates, energy, etc) during the weekday.

- For the first time CME Globex will support iLink and Drop Copy CGW during the weekend.
- CME Group will provide further information on OESGW network IP impacts for MSGW and CGW sessions in a future update.

Good Till Order Support

For the first time CME Globex will support Good Till (GT) orders during weekend trading.

- **Key challenge:** How can 5-day and 7-day clients manage resting GT orders?

Solution

- **New Functionality:** CME Globex Credit Controls (GC2) will support automatic GT elimination functionality via a [distinct weekend GC2 limit](#) at the execution firm level.
- **GC2 Weekend Trading Configuration**
 - Firms can continue a 5-day support schedule (zero weekend limit).
 - If weekend trading is disabled in GC2, all cryptocurrency GT orders will be eliminated Fridays at 4:00 p.m. CT.

5-Day Cryptocurrency Clients	7-Day Cryptocurrency Clients
Default: GT orders are automatically eliminated on Friday. CME Group recommends clients cancel their GT orders before they are automatically eliminated.	GC2 Opt-in: futures commission merchants (FCMs) enables weekend support to retain GT orders.

Client Impacts - Core Systems

Straight through processing (STP)

- [CME STP FIXML](#) and [CME STP FIX](#) will support trade reports for 24/7 markets
 - No new messaging impacts.

Initiative	FIXML 24/7 Support	FIX 24/7 Support
Cryptocurrency futures and options	Yes	NEW - Yes

Reference Data API

- Supports 24/7 trading, including [schedule functionality](#)

CME DataMine

- [CME DataMine](#) supports 24/7 trading

CME Direct

- [CME Direct](#) does not support weekend trading

5-Day vs. 7-Day Client Journey Summary

	5-Day Cryptocurrency Clients	7-Day Cryptocurrency Clients
Weekday Schedule Update	Daily maintenance window reduced from one hour to one minute.	
Weekend Schedule Expansion	N/A	Clients must successfully process the new Saturday startup.
CME Globex Sunday Startup Decommission	Sunday startup is no longer applicable, startup moves to Saturday.	
Good Till (GT) Order Support	Default: GT orders are eliminated on Friday.	GC2 Opt-in: FCMs enable weekend support to retain GT orders.
iLink & Drop Copy CGW Session Support	No Impact - clients can use existing CGW sessions to continue to trade cryptocurrency products during the weekday.	New CGW session required to support weekend trading and <i>all</i> CME Globex futures and options markets (e.g. interest rates, energy, etc) during the weekday.
iLink & Drop Copy MSGW Session Support	No impact - clients can use existing MSGW sessions.	
Network Impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network Connectivity Updates for Market Segment 74 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network Connectivity Updates for Market Segment 74 • New CME CF Rates and Indexes Channel • New Streamlined Block Trades Channel
iLink MSGW and CGW OESGW	Client journey for the OESGW network IP update is TBD. More information will be provided at a later date.	

Timelines & Resources

Date	Milestone
Now Available	Client Documentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="726 266 1398 292">• 24/7 Cryptocurrency Client Impact Document<li data-bbox="726 301 1282 327">• 24/7 Cryptocurrency Clearing Notice
Sunday, March 15, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="726 345 1495 371">• Network Connectivity Updates for Market Segment 74
Sunday, March 29, 2026	New Release Launch
Sunday, March 29, 2026	Production Streamlined CME CF-Rates and Indexes channel 214 Launch
Sunday, April 26, 2026	Production Access to new 24/7 CME Globex CGW sessions
Friday, May 29, 2026, starting at 4 p.m. CT	Production Launch
TBA	Production Block Trades channel 235 launch

