

## Special Executive Report

**DATE:** January 14, 2021

SER#: 8699

**SUBJECT:** Initial Listing of the Ether Futures Contract

Effective Sunday, February 7, 2021, for trade date Monday, February 8, 2021, and pending all relevant CFTC regulatory review periods, Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") will list the Ether Futures contract (the "Contract") for trading on the CME Globex electronic trading platform ("CME Globex") and for submission for clearing via CME ClearPort as more specifically described below.

**Exhibit 1 – Contract Specifications** 

Contract Title	Ether Futures
Rulebook Chapter	349
Commodity Code	CME Globex/CME ClearPort: ETH
Contract Size	50 ether
Trading Unit	The unit of trading shall be 50 ether, as defined by the CME CF Ether-Dollar Reference Rate (ETHUSD_RR).
Trading and Clearing Hours	Sunday - Friday 5:00 p.m 4:00 p.m. (6:00 p.m 5:00 p.m. ET) with a 60-minute break each day beginning at 4:00 p.m. (5:00 p.m. ET)  CME Globex Pre-Open: 4:45 p.m. CT – 5:00 p.m. CT  CME ClearPort: Sunday 5:00 p.m Friday 5:45 p.m. CT with no reporting Monday - Thursday 5:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. CT
Settlement Method	Financial
Listing Schedule	Monthly contracts listed for six (6) consecutive months and two (2) additional December contract months. If the six (6) consecutive months includes a December contract month, list only one (1) additional December contract month.
Initial Listing Schedule	February 2021, March 2021, April 2021, May 2021, June 2021, July 2021, December 2021, and December 2022 February 2021 shall expire on Friday, February 26, 2021 at which time August 2021 shall be listed.
Price Basis	Prices are quoted and traded in U.S. Dollar
Minimum Price Fluctuation	Outright: 0.25 index points = \$12.50 per contract Calendar spread: 0.05 index points = \$2.50 per calendar month spread contract
Termination of Trading	Last Day of Trading is the last Friday of the contract delivery month. Trading terminates at 4:00 p.m. London time on the last Friday of the contract month. If that day is not a business day in both the U.K. and the US, trading shall terminate on the preceding day that is a business day for both the U.K. and the U.S.
Final Settlement	Delivery is by cash settlement by reference to the Final Settlement Price, equal to the CME CF Ether-Dollar Reference Rate on the Last Day of Trading.
Position Limits and Reportable Levels	Spot Position Limits are set at 8,000 contracts. A position accountability level of 20,000 contracts shall be applied to positions in single months outside the spot month and in all months combined. The reportable level shall be 1 contract.

**Block Trade Minimum** 5 contracts

Reportable window: RTH 5 minutes; ETH/ATH 15 minutes

**CME Globex Matching** 

Algorithm

Threshold

F: First In First Out (FIFO)

Exhibit 2 – Exchange Fees

Membership Type	Venue/Transaction Type	Exchange Fee
membership Type	CME Globex	\$1.50
Individual Members	EFP EFP	\$2.75
Clearing Members	EFR	\$2.75
Rule 106.J Equity Member Firms & Rule 106.J Qualified Subsidiaries	Block	\$2.75
Rule 106.I Members & Rule 106.I Qualified Affiliates	Delivery	\$0.75
Rule 106.S Member Approved Funds	Exe Asn Future From	\$0.80
	CME Globex	\$2.40
	EFP	\$3.65
Rule 106.D Lessees	EFR	\$3.65
Rule 106.F Employees	Block	\$3.65
	Delivery	\$1.20
	Exe Asn Future From	\$1.25
Rule 106.R Electronic Corporate Members (For other than CME Globex - Non-Member rates apply)	CME Globex	\$2.46
	CME Globex	\$2.64
	EFP	\$3.89
Dula 400 H and 400 N Firms	EFR	\$3.89
Rule 106.H and 106.N Firms	Block	\$3.89
	Delivery	\$1.32
	Exe Asn Future From	\$1.37
International Incentive Program (IIP) and International Volume Incentive Program (IVIP) Participants	CME Globex	\$3.00
Central Bank Incentive Program (CBIP), Emerging Markets Bank Incentive Program (EMBIP), Latin American Fund Manager Incentive Program (FMIP), Participants (For other than CME Globex - Non-Member rates apply)	CME Globex	\$3.00
Members Trading Outside of Division (For other than CME Globex During ETH - Non-Member rates apply)	CME Globex During ETH Only	\$2.85
	CME Globex	\$3.00
	EFP	\$5.50
Non-Members	EFR	\$5.50
Nothingthingts	Block	\$5.50
	Delivery	\$1.50
	Exe Asn Future From	\$1.55

Processing Fees	Fee
106.D Lessee/106.H Brokerage	\$0.13
106.F Employee Brokerage	\$0.13
Floor / "New" Brokerage	\$0.04
Position Adjustment/Position Transfer	\$0.10
Give-Up Surcharge	\$0.05
Facilitation Fee	\$0.40

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