



Special Executive Report

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Amendments to Minimum Fluctuations Rules for Options on E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index Futures and Options on NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

Effective Sunday, September 21, 2014, for trade date Monday, September 22, 2014 and pending all relevant CFTC regulatory review periods, Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (CME) will amend the minimum fluctuation rules for Options on NASDAQ 100 Index futures (CME Rule 357A01.C.) and Options on E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index futures (CME Rule 359A01.C.) such that the variable tick for Options on E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index futures and Options on NASDAQ 100 Index futures will be amended to 5.00 points from 3.00 points.

This change will allow all options on E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index futures and options on NASDAQ 100 Index futures, as well as option combinations and option spreads on the aforementioned contracts with a net premium less than five (5.00) index points to trade at the 0.05 tick increment level rather than the 0.25 tick increment level.

The amended rules will pertain to quarterly, serial, weekly and end of month options on both NASDAQ 100 Index futures and E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index futures as cited in the following table:

Product Title	Rulebook Chapter	Ticker Symbol
Options on NASDAQ 100 Index Futures	CME 357A	Quarterly and Serial Options: ND Weekly Options: DN1, DN2, DN4 End of Month Options: DNE
Options on E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index Futures	CME 359A	Quarterly and Serial Options: NQ Weekly Options: QN1, QN2, QN4 End of Month Options: QNE

The amended rules are provided below in blackline format.

CME Rules

(Additions are underlined, deletions are bracketed and overstruck)

359A - Options on E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index® Futures

359A01.C. Minimum Fluctuations

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