

Weekly Options on Energy Futures

EXPANDING THE RANGE OF STANDARDIZED, SHORT-DATED OPTIONS



Regional crude oil and natural gas storage data, weather anomalies and other macroeconomic factors can have a dramatic impact on the energy markets. Weekly crude oil and natural gas options provide market participants with greater flexibility to manage volatility arising from these events, along with the added benefit of shorter expirations to implement strategies at a lower premium.

Key Benefits

- **Flexibility** to manage short-term volatility and risk
- **Precision** timing to target specific market movements or events
- More expirations to **limit exposure**
- Shorter expirations to gain market exposure at a **lower premium**
- American style with **automatic exercise**

Features

- Expire every Friday that is not already a monthly option expiration
- Exercise into the active futures expiry
- Same strike price intervals and minimum tick sizes as the monthly options
- Available on any CME Group venue (CME Globex, CME ClearPort, NYMEX Trading Floor)
- New weekly options listed the business day following an expiration

Contract Specifications

	WTI Oil Weekly Option	Brent Crude Oil Weekly Option
Commodity Code	LO1-LO5	BW1-BW5
Underlying Futures	Light Sweet Crude Oil Futures (CL)	Brent Last Day Financial Futures (BZ)
Rule Chapter	1011	1007
Listing Period	Four weekly expirations, unless expiration coincides with a monthly option expiration, in which case it will not be listed.	
Contract Size	1,000 barrels	
Settlement Type	Physical	
Termination of Trading	Options will expire at the close of trading on a Friday schedule. If such Friday falls on the expiration of a monthly option contract, the weekly option shall not be listed. For each weekly option of the month, if the Friday of the listing is a scheduled Exchange holiday, the option shall terminate on the first Business Day immediately preceding the Friday.	
Minimum Price Tick	\$0.01 per barrel	\$0.01 per barrel
Value per Tick	\$10.00	
Final Settlement Price Tick	\$0.01 per barrel	\$0.01 per barrel
Block Trade Minimum Threshold	10 contracts	
Trading and Clearing Hours	CME Globex and CME ClearPort Sunday – Friday 6:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. (5:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. CT) with a 45-minute break each day beginning at 5:15 p.m. (4:15 p.m. CT)	
	Open Outcry (New York) Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Eastern Time/ET (8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Chicago Time/CT)	

	Natural Gas Weekly Option	Natural Gas Weekly Financial Option
Commodity Code	ON1-ON5	LN1-LN5
Underlying Futures	Henry Hub Natural Gas Futures (NG)	Henry Hub Natural Gas Futures (NG)
Rule Chapter	1012	1006
Listing Period	Four weekly expirations, unless expiration coincides with a monthly option expiration, in which case it will not be listed.	
Contract Size	10,000 MMBTU	
Settlement Type	Physical	Financial
Termination of Trading	Options will expire at the close of trading on a Friday schedule. If such Friday falls on the expiration of a monthly option contract, the weekly option shall not be listed. For each weekly option of the month, if the Friday of the listing is a scheduled Exchange holiday, the option shall terminate on the first Business Day immediately preceding the Friday.	
Minimum Price Tick	\$0.001 per MMBTU	CME Globex: \$0.001 per MMBTU ClearPort: \$0.0001 per MMBTU
Value Per Tick	\$10.00	CME Globex: \$10.00 ClearPort \$1.00
Final Settlement Price Tick	\$0.001 per MMBTU	CME Globex: \$0.001 per MMBTU ClearPort: \$0.0001 per MMBTU
Block Trade Minimum Threshold	10 contracts	
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