SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe Exchange, Inc.: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Move Rule 10.2 and the Rules in Chapter XVI of the currently Effective Rulebook, Which Governs the Summary Suspension of Trading Permit Holders, to Proposed Chapter 12 of the Shell Structure for the Exchange’s Rulebook That Will Become Effective Upon the Migration of the Exchange’s Trading Platform to the Same System Used by the Cboe Affiliated Exchanges

October 4, 2019.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”), 1 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, 2 notice is hereby given that on September 25, 2019, Cboe Exchange, Inc. (the “Exchange” or “Cboe Options”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange filed the proposal as a “non-controversial” proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act 3 and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder. 4 The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of the Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

Cboe Exchange, Inc. (the “Exchange” or “Cboe Options”) proposes to move Rule 10.2 and the Rules in Chapter XVI of the currently effective Rulebook (“current Rulebook”), which governs the summary suspension of Trading Permit Holders (“TPHs”), to proposed Chapter 12 of the shell structure for the Exchange’s Rulebook that will become effective upon the migration of the Exchange’s trading platform to the same system used by the Cboe Affiliated Exchanges (as defined below) (“shell Rulebook”). The text of the proposed rule change is provided in Exhibit 5.

The text of the proposed rule change is also available on the Exchange’s website (http://www.cboe.com/AboutCBOE/CBOElegalRegulatoryHome.aspx), at the Exchange’s Office of the Secretary, and at the Commission’s Public Reference Room.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

In 2016, the Exchange’s parent company, Cboe Global Markets, Inc. (formerly named CBOE Holdings, Inc.) (“Cboe Global”), which is also the parent company of Cboe C2 Exchange, Inc. (“C2”), acquired Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc. (“EDGA”), Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc. (“EDGX” or “EDGX Options”), Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. (“BZX” or “BZX Options”), and Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. (“BYX” and, together with Cboe Options, C2, EDGX, EDGA, and BZX, the “Cboe Affiliated Exchanges”). The Cboe Affiliated Exchanges are working to align certain system functionality, retaining only intended differences, between the Cboe Affiliated Exchanges, in the context of a technology migration. Cboe Options intends to migrate its trading platform to the same system used by the Cboe Affiliated Exchanges, which the Exchange expects to complete on October 7, 2019. In connection with this technology migration, the Exchange has a shell Rulebook that resides alongside its current Rulebook, which shell Rulebook will contain the Rules that will be in place upon completion of the Cboe Options technology migration.

The Exchange proposes to relocate current Rule 10.2 and current Chapter XVI, which govern the summary suspension of TPHs, to proposed Chapter 12 in the shell Rulebook. The Exchange notes that in addition to relocating the summary suspension rules to proposed Chapter 12 in the shell Rulebook, the proposed rule change deletes the rules from the current Rulebook. The proposed rule change relocates the rules as follows:

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The proposed changes are of a non-substantive nature and will not amend the relocated rules other than to update their rule numbers, conform paragraph structure and number/lettering format to that of the shell Rulebook, and make cross-reference changes to shell rules.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5) 6 requirements that the rules of an exchange be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling,
processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

Additionally, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5) requirement that the rules of an exchange not be designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

As stated, the proposed rule change makes no substantive changes to the rules. The proposed rule change is merely intended to relocate the Exchange’s rules to the shell Rulebook and update their numbers, paragraph structure, including number and lettering format, and cross-references to conform to the shell Rulebook as a whole in anticipation of the technology migration on October 7, 2019. As such, the proposed rule change is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest, by improving the way the Exchange’s Rulebook is organized, making it easier to read, and, particularly, helping market participants better understand the rules of the Exchange, which will also result in less burdensome and more efficient regulatory compliance.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change is not intended as a substantive change, but rather, seeks to make non-substantive rule changes in relocating the rules and updating cross-references to shell rules in anticipation of the October 7, 2019 technology migration. The Exchange also does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any undue burden on competition because the relocated rule text is exactly the same as the Exchange’s current rules, all of which have all been previously filed with the Commission.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, Or Others

The Exchange neither solicited nor received comments on the proposed rule change.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder.

A proposed rule change filed pursuant to Rule 19b–4(f)(6) under the Act normally does not become operative for 30 days after the date of its filing. However, Rule 19b–4(f)(6)(iii) permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange has asked the Commission to waive the 30-day operative delay so that the Exchange may implement the proposed rule change at the time of its anticipated October 7, 2019 system migration. The Exchange notes that the proposed rule change makes no substantive changes to any of the rules, and therefore has no impact on trading on the Exchange, the operation of the Exchange, or TPH requirements. The Commission believes that waiver of the operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because the proposal does not raise any new or novel issues and makes only non-substantive changes to the rules. Therefore, the Commission hereby waives the prefiling requirement and the operative delay and designates the proposal as operative upon filing.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

• Use the Commission’s internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml);
• Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR–CBOE–2019–067 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549–1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–CBOE–2019–067. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission’s internet website (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission’s Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for

considered the proposed rule’s impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).
inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–CBOE–2019–067, and should be submitted on or before October 31, 2019.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.13

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe Exchange, Inc.: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend Certain Rules in Connection With Market-Makers in the Shell Rulebook

October 4, 2019.

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A. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

On September 6, 2019, the Exchange filed a rule filing, SR–CBOE–2019–059,5 operative upon the October 7, 2019 technology migration.6 This rule filing amended the Exchange rules related to its Market-Maker program, including Market-Maker registration, appointments, and obligations. Pursuant to SR–CBOE–2019–059, the updated Market-Maker rules reside in the Exchange’s shell Rulebook, and, upon migration, the rules in shell Rulebook will take effect and the Market-Maker rules in the currently effective Rulebook will be deleted.7 Specifically, under SR–CBOE–2019–059, Rule 5.50 will govern appointment costs (or “weights”, as amended by SR–CBOE–2019–059) and Rule 7.6 will govern the identification of securities accounts of Market-Makers. In SR–CBOE–2019–059, the Exchange inadvertently neglected to update the Global Trading Hours (“GTH”) appointment weights in light of the amended rules which will apply a Market-Maker’s selected class appointments across the entire trading day (i.e., both GTH and Regular Trading Hours (“RTH”)), and inadvertently neglected to update some instances in which the rules refer to appointment costs. It also inadvertently did not include language specific to Cboe Options when conforming Rule 7.6 to the corresponding rules of its affiliated exchanges, C2, EDGX Options, and BZX Options (collectively, the “Affiliated Options Exchanges”). The proposed changes intended to remedy the aforementioned are described in greater detail below. In order to coincide with the effective date of SR–CBOE–2019–059 and the migration of the Exchange’s trading platform to the same system used by the Cboe Affiliated Exchanges,8 the Exchange also intends to implement this proposed rule change on October 7, 2019.

In particular, SR–CBOE–2019–059 updated Rule 5.50(g) in the shell Rulebook to reflect the manner in which appointment weights will function upon migration. SR–CBOE–2019–059 also updated the rules to allow a Market-Maker to select class appointments that will apply to classes during all trading sessions beginning October 7, 2019.9 In removing separate class appointments between the two trading sessions, the Exchange inadvertently failed to remove the separate appointment weights for options classes during GTH. Therefore, the Exchange now proposes to remove separate appointment weights for the GTH trading session from the appointment weight table under Rule 5.50(g). In addition to this, SR–CBOE–2019–059 updated the term appointment costs to appointment weights, but inadvertently failed to update all such references throughout updated Rule 5.50(g). The Exchange now proposes to update the remaining references to appointment costs in Rule 5.50(g) to appointment weights.

SR–CBOE–2019–059 also conformed Rule 7.6 in the shell Rulebook to the corresponding rules of the Affiliated Options Exchanges. Rule 7.6 governs the identification of a Market-Maker’s securities accounts. In conforming this rule to the Affiliated Options Exchanges’ corresponding rules, the Exchange inadvertently did not

8 Cboe Options intends to migrate its trading platform to the same system used by the Cboe Affiliated Exchanges (i.e., together with Cboe Options, C2 Exchange, Inc. (“C2”), Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc. (“EDGA”), Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc. (“EDGX” or “EDGX Options”), Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. (“BZX” or “BZX Options”), and Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. (“BYX”)) which the Exchange expects to complete on October 7, 2019. In connection with this technology migration, the Exchange has added a shell Rulebook that resides alongside its current Rulebook, which shell Rulebook will contain the Rules that will be in place upon completion of the Cboe Options technology migration.

See id.
9 See Rule 5.50(a) in the shell Rulebook.