## **日KEX** 香港交易所

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香港期貨交易所有限公司 (香港交易及結算所有限公司全資附屬公司)

HONG KONG FUTURES EXCHANGE LIMITED (A wholly-owned subsidiary of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited)

### 通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: Amendments to the Rules, Regulations and Procedures of Hong Kong Futures Exchange Limited ("HKFE Rules")

Enquiry: HKATS Hotline<sup>1</sup>: 2211 6360

Holders of Futures Exchange Trading Rights and Exchange Participants are requested to note that the Securities and Futures Commission has approved amendments to the HKFE Rules for the purpose of increasing the minimum number of quoted series required from a regular market maker in a stock index options contract for the after-hours trading session.

The amendments, as set out in the Appendix, will come into effect on Monday, 3 June 2019.

The marked-up version of the amendments can be downloaded from the "Rule Update - Rules, Regulations and Procedures of the Futures Exchange" section of the HKEX website.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All calls to the HKATS hotline will be recorded. Please refer to the following link for HKEX's privacy policy statement: <u>http://www.hkex.com.hk/eng/global/privacy\_policy.htm</u>



Appendix

#### Rules, Regulations and Procedures of Hong Kong Futures Exchange Limited

#### TRADING PROCEDURES FOR STOCK INDEX FUTURES AND STOCK INDEX OPTIONS TRADED ON THE AUTOMATED TRADING SYSTEM OF THE EXCHANGE ("HKATS")

#### 3.2.2A.3 Providing Continuous Quotes during the T+1 Session

If a Regular Market Maker in a Stock Index Options Contract for the T+1 Session elects to provide continuous Quotes, it shall:

3.2.2A.3.1 quote at least (i) in respect of a Stock Index Options Contract which is not a Mini Contract, 50 option series out of the assigned option series in the Stock Index Options Contract during not less than thirty five (35) percent of the trading hours of such Stock Index Options Contract in the T+1 Session of each calendar month; and (ii) in respect of a Stock Index Options Contract which is a Mini Contract, at least 25 option series out of the assigned option series in the Stock Index Options Contract during not less than thirty five (35) percent of the trading hours of such Stock Index Options Contract in the T+1 Session of each calendar month;

#### 3.3 *Market Maker Incentives*

A Market Maker in a Stock Index Futures Contract or a Stock Index Options Contract (other than a Regular Market Maker in a Stock Index Options Contract for the T+1 Session) shall be entitled to pay a reduced Exchange Fee of an amount specified in Appendix B on transactions effected in the Stock Index Futures Contract or the Stock Index Options Contract.

A Regular Market Maker in a Stock Index Options Contract for the T+1 Session shall be entitled to pay a reduced Exchange Fee of an amount as prescribed by the Exchange from time to time on transactions effected in Stock Index Options Contracts during the T+1 Session if it satisfies the market making requirements applicable to the corresponding incentive tier:

| Incentive | If the Regular    | If the Regular Market Maker elects to provide   |  |  |
|-----------|-------------------|---|--|--|
| tier      | Market Maker      | continuous Quotes and fulfills the following    |  |  |
|           | elects to respond | percentage of trading hours coverage for the    |  |  |
|           | to a Quote        | assigned option series below in the Stock Index |  |  |
|           | Requests and      | Options Contract:                               |  |  |
|           | fulfills the      |   |  |  |

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|   | following Quote<br>Requests<br>response<br>percentage: | For a Stock Index<br>Options Contract which<br>is not a Mini Contract: |                              | For a Stock Index<br>Options Contract which<br>is a Mini Contract: |                              |
|---|--|--|------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
|   |  | Percentage<br>of trading<br>hours<br>coverage                          | Assigned<br>option<br>series | Percentage<br>of trading<br>hours<br>coverage                      | Assigned<br>option<br>series |
| 1 | 70%  | 70%  | 50                           | 70%  | 25                           |
| 2 | 50%  | 50%  | 50                           | 50%  | 25                           |
| 3 | 35%  | 35%  | 50                           | 35%  | 25                           |