

March 16, 2018

Via CFTC Portal Submissions

Mr. Christopher Kirkpatrick Secretary of the Commission Office of the Secretariat Commodity Futures Trading Commission 3 Lafayette Centre 1155 21<sup>st</sup> Street, N.W. Washington D.C. 20581

# RE: Weekly Notification of Rule Amendments: Nadex Amends Strike Interval Width for its Daily Crude Oil Binary Contracts and Renumbers 5.19(g) - Submission Pursuant to Commission Reg. §40.6(d)

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended ("Act"), and section §40.6(d) of the regulations promulgated by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "Commission") under the Act (the "Regulations"), North American Derivatives Exchange, Inc. ("Nadex", the "Exchange") hereby provides notice that due to decreased volatility in the underlying markets upon which the Nadex Crude Oil contracts are based, Nadex adjusted the strike width for its Daily Crude Oil Binary contracts from 0.50 to 0.10, beginning on trade date March 12, 2018 and continuing through March 16, 2018.

Additionally, Nadex is renumbering its Rule 5.19(g), as 5.19(g)(1) and (g)(2), separating the two parts of the Rule into subsections. Nadex is making this renumbering change to appropriately reference the applicable part of the Rule when posting disciplinary matters in NFA's Basic system, which has a character limit and cannot accommodate the Nadex Rule 5.19(g) in its entirety as it stands now. No substantive changes to this Rule are being made. These changes have been outlined in Exhibit A. The renumbered Rule is set forth in Exhibit B. The amendments and/or additions are underlined.

Nadex hereby certifies that the additions and amendments contained herein comply with the Act, as amended, and the Commission Regulations adopted thereunder. No substantive opposing views were expressed to Nadex with respect to these additions. Nadex hereby certifies that notice of these events was posted on its website at the time of this filing.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at (312) 884-0927 or by email at jaime.walsh@nadex.com.

Sincerely,

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Jaime M. Walsh Legal Counsel

## EXHIBIT A

Rule	Asset	Duration/Close Time	Action	Effective Date
5.19	Prohibited Transactions and Activities	N/A	Split Rule 5.19(g) into (g)(1) and (g)(2)	3/16/2018

### EXHIBIT B

#### Amendment of Rule 5.19

#### (The following Rule amendments are underlined and deletions are stricken out)

#### RULES 1.1 - 5.18 [UNCHANGED]

#### RULE 5.19 PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

(a) Members are prohibited from entering orders on the Market if there are insufficient funds or Contracts in the Member's settlement account to satisfy such orders if they are executed. Subject to the conditions set forth in Rule 9.2(f) and Rule 9.6, if you violate this Rule, the following penalties may apply:

Number of Per Incident Violations Within a Calendar Year	Penalty
1.	\$10 fee deducted from the Member's settlement account.
2.	\$10 fee deducted from the Member's settlement account, and the Member will be required to re-certify that it has read and agree to be bound by this Rule 5.13(a).
3.	\$15 fee deducted from the Member's settlement account, and the Member will be required to give a satisfactory explanation as to why the Rule violation occurred, or (in the case of Trading Members) trading privileges may be suspended for 30 days.
4.	\$20 fee deducted from the Member's settlement account and (in the case of Trading Members) suspension of trading privileges for 30 days (regardless of explanation).
5.	\$25 fee deducted from the Member's settlement account and (in the case of Trading Members) suspension of trading privileges for 6 months (regardless of explanation).
6.	\$30 fee and revocation of trading privileges (regardless of explanation).

Nadex may, in its discretion, take such other action against a Member or market participant if the circumstances warrant, subject to Rule 9.2(f) and Rule 9.6.

(b) No Person shall enter into or attempt to enter into any non-competitive trade on the Market, including any accommodation trade or any trade that has been directly or indirectly prearranged. For example, a Member may not agree in advance with another Member that one of the Members will enter an order and the other Member will attempt to trade against that order by timing the submission of orders or otherwise.

(c) No Person shall enter into or attempt to enter into any trade on the Market that does not result in a change in beneficial ownership, that is designed to unnaturally inflate trading volume, that in any way attempts to circumvent the Market's order processing, trade ordering, and trade execution systems, or otherwise to circumvent exposure of the order to open and competitive bidding on the Market, or that has some other illegitimate purpose.

(d) No Person shall enter into any trade designed or used to cause any price for a Contract other than a true and bona fide price to be reported, registered, or recorded by the Market.

(e) No Person shall trade in, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of Contracts other than as provided for in these Rules.

(f) No Person shall enter into or agree to transfer or transfer the benefit of any position in any Contract to another person other than through a transaction executed through the Market.

(g) (1) No individual Trading Member shall trade for a person or entity other than itself and no Authorized Trader of an entity Trading Member shall trade for a person or entity other than the entity Trading Member for whom that Person is an Authorized Trader.

(2) No individual or entity Trading Member may deposit funds, or allow funds to be deposited into their Nadex account from any bank account or debit card not held in the same name as their Nadex account.

(h) No Person shall engage in any activity that presents a risk of harm to Nadex, its Members, or the public.

(i) No Person shall engage in any activity that adversely affects the integrity of the Market or its underlying systems.

(j) No Person subject to arbitration under these rules shall fail to abide by an arbitration decision or award handed down under Chapter 10 of these Rules.

(k) No Person shall intentionally provide misleading, erroneous, or fraudulent information to Nadex on a\_membership application or otherwise.

(1) No Person shall create a false appearance of a partnership, agency, employment or affiliate relationship with Nadex and no Person shall unlawfully solicit customer funds for deposit at Nadex.

(m) No Member may operate or solicit in any capacity that may require registration with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) without being properly registered.

(n) No Person shall engage in any activity that is intended to, or has the effect of, manipulating the market in violation of Sections 6(c) and 9(a)(2) of the CEA and no Person shall engage in any other activity that would violate the CEA or the Commission's Regulations.

(o) No Member shall deposit funds into its Nadex account from an account which does not hold sufficient funds at the time of deposit, and at the time the deposit is presented by Nadex for payment.

(p) No Member shall make a false representation to a third party regarding any deposit made into that Member's Nadex account which would result in a chargeback or stop payment of funds to the Member's account.

(q) No Member shall allow its settlement account balance to become negative by any means. In the event that a Member's settlement account balance becomes negative, the Member must immediately deposit additional funds to correct the deficiency. Any Member whose settlement account carries a negative balance for 30 days or more is subject to summary termination of Membership. Nadex may, in its discretion, take such other action against a Member or market participant if the circumstances warrant, subject to Rule 9.2(f) and Rule 9.6.

(r) No FCM Member shall enter any bids, offers or transactions on the Market if it knows or should know that it is subject to early warning reporting requirements under Commission Regulation 1.12, is subject to a proceeding in bankruptcy or is otherwise unable to pay its obligations as they become due, without the prior written approval of Nadex.

(s) No FCM Member shall knowingly carry an account, enter an order or effect any transactions for any employee of Nadex without the prior written consent of the employer.

(t) No Member shall engage in conduct or practices inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade or conduct or practices detrimental to the best interests of the Exchange, its Members and/or FCM Customers.

(u) No FCM Member that receives an order to buy or sell a Contract for execution on Nadex shall directly or indirectly guarantee the execution of the order or any of its terms, including quantity or price. A FCM Member may only report to a FCM Customer a trade that has been executed or reported on the Nadex Market.

(v) If a Member is an Insider of any public company that has access to material non-public information that is the subject of an Underlying of any Contract, that Member is prohibited from attempting to enter into any trade or entering into any trade, either directly or indirectly, on the market in such Contracts. An "Insider" means any person who has access to or is in a position to have access to material non-public information before such information is made publicly available. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing restriction, an Insider includes any officer or director of a public company, any employee who works in the company's financial or accounting

department, and any employee of the company's accounting firm who performs services for the public company.

(w) No Person shall engage in any activity that constitutes fraudulent or abusive trading, including but not limited to violating bids or offers; demonstrating intentional or reckless disregard for the orderly execution of transactions during the closing period; or spoofing.

(x) No Person shall engage in any trading activity intended to accomplish a "money pass".

RULES 5.20 - 12.78 [UNCHANGED]

### [End Rulebook]