

# REQUIRED DISCLOSURES AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR SECURITY FUTURES TRADING AT INTERACTIVE BROKERS

## **I. Introduction**

This information is being provided to you by Interactive Brokers ("IB") to ensure that you understand the risks inherent in trading security futures and also so that you understand how your security futures account is being handled by IB. You must review this document carefully and [sign it at the bottom](#) in order to be approved to trade security futures products through IB.

**You should be aware that security futures are highly leveraged investments and the risk of loss in trading these products can be substantial. Security futures are not suitable for all investors and you must carefully review this document and consult with a financial advisor, if necessary, to determine whether to trade security futures. IB does not provide any investment advice or recommendations, and you will be solely responsible for decisions regarding the security futures trading conducted in your account.**

## **II. Nature of Your Security Futures Account**

Under the federal regulations that apply to security futures, security futures positions may be held in a securities trading account subject to Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) regulations or in a commodities trading account subject to Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) regulations.

Because Interactive Brokers is fully registered with both the SEC and the CFTC, IB offers both securities accounts and commodities accounts. **Your U.S.-listed security futures positions held by Interactive Brokers will be held in an IB securities account, subject to SEC customer protection rules. Non-U.S.-listed security futures products (traded on non-U.S. exchanges) will be held in an IB commodities account, subject to CFTC customer protection rules.**

The types of protections offered to investors for securities and commodities accounts are different. The different protections available to securities accounts and commodities accounts are described in Section 6 of the [NASD/NFA Standardized Risk Disclosure for Security Futures Contracts](#), below.

## **III. Standardized Risk Disclosure for Security Futures Contracts**

The National Futures Association and the National Association of Securities Dealers have jointly prepared a [Standardized Risk Disclosure for Security Futures Contracts](#). It contains valuable information regarding trading of security futures contracts and you should review it carefully before investing in security futures.

To review the [NASD/NFA Standardized Risk Disclosure for Security Futures Contracts](#), click [here](#).

NOTE: Viewing the Standardized Risk Disclosure requires Adobe Acrobat. To download Adobe Acrobat, click [here](#). If you wish to receive a hard copy of the disclosure, call IB Customer Service at (877) 442-2757.

## **IV. Supplemental Agreement for Security Futures Trading**

The Supplemental Agreement provisions below relate to security futures trading in Customer's IB account and are in addition to the terms and conditions of the IB Customer Agreement, and the Customer Agreement is incorporated herein by reference.

By signing below, Customer acknowledges and agrees to the following:

- A. Customer acknowledges that Customer's U.S.-listed security futures positions will be held in a securities account; that Customer's U.S.-listed security futures positions will receive the regulatory protections of a securities account; and that Customer's U.S.-listed security futures positions will not receive the regulatory protections of a commodities account.
- B. Customer acknowledges that Customer's non-U.S.-listed security futures positions will be held in a commodities account; that Customer's non-U.S.-listed security futures positions will receive the regulatory protections of a commodities account; and that Customer's non-U.S.-listed security futures positions will not receive the regulatory protections of a securities account.
- C. Customer acknowledges that IB may in the future, at its sole discretion, decide to hold customer security futures positions in IB securities accounts or commodities accounts and may not allow customers to make this choice. If IB determines to do this, it will provide required notice to customers of the change.
- D. Customer represents that Customer has received and reviewed the [NASD/NFA Standardized Risk Disclosure for Security Futures Contracts](#).
- E. Customer acknowledges that security futures are highly leveraged investments that are not suitable for all investors. Customer acknowledges that IB representatives are not authorized to provide investment, trading or tax advice and therefore will not provide advice or guidance on trading or hedging strategies involving security futures. Customers who need advice or guidance regarding security futures trading or investments should consult a financial advisor.
- F. Customer acknowledges that Customer must review and be aware of, and that Customer is bound by, the rules applicable to the trading of security futures, as established by the NASD, the NFA and the security futures exchanges. Customer represents that it is aware of and agrees not to violate any applicable position limits regarding security futures.