



# 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 IB is fully registered with both the SEC and the CFTC, IB offers both securities accounts and commodities accounts. Most securities futures products are held in an IB securities account and are subject to SEC customer protection rules. However, certain securities futures products are held in a commodities account and are therefore subject to CFTC customer protection rules. Additional information regarding whether a particular securities future product is held in a securities or commodities account may be found on IB's website.

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 (NFA) and the NASD<sup>(1)</sup> 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. and non-U.S. securities futures positions may be held in either a securities or commodities account, in IB's sole discretion. Customer acknowledges that U.S. and non-U.S. listed securities futures held in an IB securities account will receive the regulatory protections of a securities account. Customer acknowledges that U.S. and non-U.S. listed securities futures held in an IB commodities account will receive the regulatory protections of a commodities account.
- B. 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.
- C. Customer represents that Customer has received and reviewed the NASD/NFA Standardized Risk Disclosure for Security Futures Contracts.
- D. 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.
- E. 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.

<sup>(1)</sup> In July 2007, the NASD was consolidated with the member regulation, enforcement and arbitration functions of the New York Stock Exchange to form the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).