



ASX CLEAR (FUTURES) OPERATING RULES

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PART 1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions

- 1.1 In these Rules, except where the content otherwise requires, words and expressions shall have the same meaning as in the Articles, provided that, except where the context otherwise requires the words and expressions in the first column in Rule 1.1 hereunder shall have the meaning assigned to them in the second column. In the absence of a contrary definition in these Rules, words and expressions shall have the same meaning as in the Exchange Operating Rules.

Words

Meanings

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| Abandonment | The abandonment of an Option in accordance with Exchange Operating Rules and these Rules. |
| Account | In relation to a Clearing Participant, means a House Clearing Account and/or Client Clearing Account as established in accordance with Part 4 of the Rules. |
| ADI | An Authorised Deposit-Taking Institution that has been granted an authority to carry on banking business in Australia under the Banking Act 1959. Introduced 15/06/15 |
| Admission Requirements | The requirements set out in Rule 4.2. Introduced 15/06/15 |
| Adoption Date | The date on which the new Constitution of Australian Securities Exchange Limited, as approved at an extraordinary general meeting of Full Members of that Exchange on 22 July 2000, comes into effect. |
| Allocation | An allocation of an Open Contract (other than an OTC Open Contract) or Market Contract (other than an OTC Transaction) as provided by the Exchange Operating Rules. Amended 01/07/13 |
| Alternative Clearing and Settlement Facility | A Clearing and Settlement Facility, approved by the Exchange, that the operator is licensed to conduct under an Australian CS Facility Licence that is operated by a Facility Participant. Introduced 04/12/02 |
| API | Applications Programming Interface. Introduced 10/12/01 |
| Appeal Tribunal | The tribunal convened in accordance with the provisions of the ASX Enforcement and Appeals Rulebook. Introduced 01/08/10 |
| Approved Clearing and Settlement Facility | A Clearing and Settlement Facility approved by ASX Clear (Futures) as an Approved Clearing and Settlement Facility and specified in the Procedures Determinations & Practice Notes. Introduced 02/08/13 |

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| Approved Market Operator | <p>A Market Operator approved by ASX Clear (Futures) as an Approved Market Operator and specified in the Procedures Determinations & Practice Notes.</p> <p>Introduced 02/08/13</p> |
| Approved Subordinated Debt | <p>An amount owing by a Clearing Participant which is payable at a time or by instalments approved by ASX Clear (Futures) and is to the satisfaction of ASX Clear (Futures) effectively subordinated so that any right of the creditor in question to receive payment in the case of bankruptcy of or any composition or compromise with creditors by or appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy or in the case of liquidation, liquidator in respect of the Clearing Participant or the partners or any of them is extinguished to such an extent as will ensure payment or provision for payment in full of all claims of all other present and future creditors of the Clearing Participant in priority to the claim of the subordinated creditors and in respect of which a Subordinated Loan Deed has been executed by the Clearing Participant, the lender and ASX Clear (Futures).</p> <p>The Subordinated Loan Deed shall specifically provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) that its terms are not to be varied without the agreement in writing of all parties; (b) that the lender's rights to receive interest and principal payments pursuant to the loan are subordinated at all times to other creditors; (c) that repayment of the loan in whole or in part is subject to the approval of ASX Clear (Futures), which shall not be given unless it is satisfied that the Clearing Participant will, after repayment, be able to maintain the minimum level of Net Tangible Assets required by the Rules; (d) that the obligation to repay the loan and to pay interest will be suspended for the duration of any period in which the level of the Clearing Participant's Net Tangible Assets falls below the minimum required by the Rules; <p>and shall also contain such other provisions as may be required by ASX Clear (Futures).</p> <p>Introduced 02/08/13</p> |
| Approved Warehouse | <p>That term as defined in the Exchange Operating Rules.</p> <p>Introduced 26/03/96</p> |
| Articles or Articles of Association | <p>The Articles of Association contained in the Constitution of ASX Clear (Futures) Pty Ltd.</p> |

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| ASX Clear (Futures) | ASX Clear (Futures) Pty Ltd (ABN 91 050 615 864). Where the Rules confer on ASX Clear (Futures) a power to do or refrain from doing some act or to exercise a discretion, a reference to ASX Clear (Futures) includes a reference to the Board, the Managing Director or other officer of ASX Clear (Futures) authorised by the Board or Managing Director to exercise that power or who is otherwise properly authorised to exercise that power. Amended 01/08/10 |
| Australian Bank | Australian Bank within the meaning of the Corporations Act. |
| Australian CS Facility Licence | A licence granted to the operator of a Clearing and Settlement Facility in accordance with the Corporations Act that authorises it to operate a facility providing clearing and settlement services in respect of all products traded on the Exchange. |
| Australian Financial Services Licence or AFSL | A licence granted by ASIC that authorises a person who carries on a financial services business to provide financial services. |
| Board | Board of ASX Clear (Futures) Pty Ltd and except in relation to any power to expel a Clearing Participant, a delegate of the Board duly approved pursuant to the Articles. |
| Bond | A Bond issued by the Commonwealth of Australia or the Government of a State or Territory or issued by a borrowing authority of the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory. |
| Bond and Repurchase Clearing | The clearing of Bond Transactions and/or Repurchase Agreements. |
| Bond Position | The net result of Bond purchases and sales. |
| Bond Transaction | Purchase or sale of a Bond. |
| BOS | Introduced 10/12/01 Deleted 11/02/14 |
| BRC | Bond and Repurchase Clearing. |
| BRC Business Day | Day on which ASX Clear (Futures) is open for the conduct of BRC transactions. |
| BRC House Account | An account established under Rule 41A.1. Amended 11/02/14 |
| BRC Participant | A Clearing Participant who notifies ASX Clear (Futures) of its intention to undertake Bond and Repurchase Clearing and who complies with these Rules and the ASX Clear (Futures) procedures regarding Bond and Repurchase Clearing. |
| BRC Variation Margin | The adjustment amount calculated by ASX Clear (Futures) in the mark to market process under Rule 44A. Introduced 28/10/02 |

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| Bulk Handler | <p>Any company which operates Delivery Depots with whom ASX Clear (Futures) has entered into an arrangement for the storage and handling of grain.</p> <p><small>Introduced 24/10/11 Amended 29/07/24</small></p> |
| Bulk Handler Agreement | <p>An agreement with a Bulk Handler governing the storage and handling of grain.</p> <p><small>Introduced 24/10/11 Amended 29/07/24</small></p> |
| Business Day | <p>Day on which the office of the ASX Clear (Futures) is open for business.</p> |
| Business Day of the Relevant Exchange | <p>Day on which the office of the relevant exchange is open for business.</p> |
| Buyer | <p>(a) In relation to a Market Contract, the Trading Participant who enters into the Market Contract as buyer or if such Trading Participant is a Non-Clearing Trading Participant, its Guarantor Clearing Participant, or if prior to Registration that Market Contract is Allocated or deemed to be Allocated to another Exchange Participant as buyer in accordance with the Exchange Operating Rules and that Allocation is accepted or confirmed or deemed to be accepted or confirmed by that Exchange Participant, that Exchange Participant, or if that Exchange Participant is a Non-Clearing Trading Participant its Guarantor Clearing Participant.</p> <p>(b) In relation to an Open Contract the Clearing Participant in the buying position with respect to such Open Contract.</p> <p>(c) In relation to a Bond the Clearing Participant in the buying position.</p> <p>(d) In relation to a Repurchase Agreement the Clearing Participant in the buying position.</p> <p><small>Amended 01/09/08</small></p> |
| Cash Settlement Contract | <p>A Futures Contract which is to be performed by cash settlement only without delivery of a Commodity.</p> |
| CFD or Contract For Difference | <p>A Futures Contract designated by the Exchange as a Contract for Difference.</p> |
| CFD Client | <p>In relation to both a Clearing Participant and Full Participant, any person firm or corporation (including a Related Body Corporate) on behalf of whom that Participant enters, acquires or disposes of a CFD or from whom the participant accepts instructions to enter, acquire or dispose of CFDs on behalf of others.</p> |
| Clearing Account | <p>A Client Clearing Account or a House Clearing Account.</p> |

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| Clearing and Settlement Facility | “Clearing and Settlement Facility” as that term is defined in the Corporations Act. |
| Clearing Infrastructure Fee | Any and all charges determined by ASX Clear (Futures) from time to time, payable by the Clearing Participant in consideration for, or in any way connected with, the use of the Exchange System. Introduced Jan 05 |
| Clearing Message | An electronic message communicated through a Gateway. Introduced 15/06/15 |
| Clearing Participant | Any person who is admitted and remains recognised as a Clearing Participant pursuant to these Rules and unless the context otherwise requires, a reference in these Rules to a Clearing Participant will include a reference to a Facility Participant. Amended 04/12/02 |
| Clearing Software | The Software developed by or on behalf of ASX Clear (Futures) or a Related Body Corporate from time to time to operate the Exchange System and required by a Clearing Participant in order to access the Exchange System for the purpose of carrying out its activities as a Clearing Participant. Introduced Jan 05 |
| Client | In relation to a Clearing Participant any person, firm or corporation on behalf of whom the Clearing Participant enters into, acquires, holds or disposes of a Market Contract or Open Contract, or on whose behalf the Clearing Participant proposes to enter into, acquire, hold or dispose of a Market Contract or Open Contract or from whom the Clearing Participant accepts instructions to enter into, acquire, hold or dispose of a Market Contract or Open Contract. Amended 11/02/14 |
| Client Clearing Account | An Account established under Rule 41.2. |
| Client Positions | Open Positions designated as Client Positions under Rule 41 or under the Client Protection Model Provisions. Amended 11/02/14 |
| Client Protection Model Client Fact Sheet | The fact sheet published by ASX Clear (Futures) from time to time and made available to CPM Clients in accordance with the Client Protection Model Provisions. Introduced 11/02/14 |
| Client Protection Model Provisions | Part 10 of these Rules. Introduced 11/02/14 |
| Client Sub-Account | Each Omnibus Sub-Account and Individual Sub-Account. Introduced 11/02/14 |

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| Clients' Segregated Account | <p>In relation to a Clearing Participant that is a Trading Participant, an account maintained in accordance with the Market Integrity Rules or where applicable a client bank account as defined in Regulation 2 of the Futures Industry (Client Funds) Regulations 1990 (New Zealand).</p> <p>Amended 11/02/14</p> |
| Close Out | <p>To extinguish an Open Contract (other than an OTC Open Contract) by matching it with an offsetting Open Contract (other than an OTC Open Contract) and effecting the settlement of each such Open Contract against the other.</p> <p>Amended 01/07/13</p> |
| Collateral Value | <p>The value calculated by ASX Clear (Futures) in respect of a Client Sub-Account under Rule 116.3.</p> <p>Introduced 31/08/15</p> |
| Commission | <p>Australian Securities and Investments Commission.</p> <p>Introduced 02/08/13</p> |
| Commitment | <p>The commitment of a Clearing Participant to provide Financial Support to the obligations of ASX Clear (Futures) as provided by these Rules.</p> <p>Amended 01/07/13</p> |
| Commodity | <p>Any thing, entitlement or instrument including stock and shares capable of delivery or transfer. It includes an OTC Open Contract to be entered into in order to effect delivery under a Deliverable Swap Futures Contract.</p> <p>Amended 30/11/15</p> |
| Compulsory Settlement | <p>Compulsory Settlement as provided by Rule 102.</p> |
| Controller | <p>In relation to a Clearing Participant, a person who controls the Clearing Participant.</p> <p><i>Note: For these purposes, "control" has the same meaning as in section 50AA of the Corporations Act (Rule 1.4).</i></p> <p>Introduced 15/06/15</p> |
| Corporation | <p>Any body corporate.</p> |
| Corporations Act | <p>The Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) as amended from time to time.</p> <p>Amended 02/01/02</p> |
| CPM Client | <p>A Client to which the Client Protection Model Provisions apply.</p> <p>Introduced 11/02/14</p> |
| Daily Closing Value | <p>The closing value of a Bond Transaction or Repurchase Agreement determined by ASX Clear (Futures) under Rule 44A.</p> |
| Daily Settlement | <p>Daily Settlement pursuant to Rule 44.</p> <p>Amended 28/10/02</p> |

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| Daily Settlement Amount | <p>The Amount payable by or to a Clearing Participant pursuant to Rule 44 calculated as the difference between the value of an Open Contract (other than an OTC Open Contract) at the last Daily Settlement Price (or in the case of an Open Contract arising subsequent to the last Daily Settlement Price, the contract price) and the value of that Open Contract at the current Daily Settlement Price.</p> <p>In addition, the Daily Settlement Amount for a CFD Contract will include such cashflow amounts as determined by the Exchange.</p> <p>Amended 01/07/13</p> |
| Daily Settlement Price | <p>The Daily Settlement Price determined under Exchange Operating Rules or if no such price is available a price determined by ASX Clear (Futures) having regard to prevailing market prices and/or such other factors as ASX Clear (Futures) considers relevant.</p> |
| Dealer | <p>Dealer as defined by NZFOE Rules.</p> |
| Default | <p>The existence of a Default with respect to a Clearing Participant as provided in Rule 71 as declared by the Board or Managing Director following an event of Default. Similar meanings shall apply to “in Default” and “to have Defaulted” as referred to in that Rule.</p> |
| Default Management Process | <p>The default management process set out in Schedule 3 (Default Management Process) of the OTC Rules.</p> <p>Introduced 11/02/14</p> |
| Deliverable Contract | <p>A Futures Contract to be performed by Delivery of a Commodity.</p> |
| Deliverable Swap Futures Contract | <p>Any deliverable interest rate swap futures contract listed for trading on the Exchange, as specified in the Exchange Operating Rules.</p> <p>Introduced 30/11/15</p> |
| Delivery | <p>Delivery in accordance with Exchange Operating Rules and Part 6 of the Rules.</p> |
| Delivery Depot | <p>A facility for the storage and handling of grain in a location approved by the Exchange in consultation with ASX Clear (Futures).</p> <p>Introduced 24/10/11 Amended 29/07/24</p> |
| Delivery Exchange for Physical (Delivery EFP) | <p>That term as defined in the Exchange Operating Rules.</p> <p>Introduced 29/07/24</p> |
| Delivery Month | <p>The calendar month in which the Maturity Date falls.</p> <p>Introduced 24/10/11</p> |

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| Delivery Period | In relation to a Grain Contract, the period commencing on the second Business Day of the Delivery Month and ending on the Maturity Date. Introduced 24/10/11 |
| Deny Automatic Exercise Request | The notice which may be lodged in the Exchange System by Participants holding a bought option position in the Exchange System pursuant to which the automatic exercise on the Declaration Date of an Option Contract in the money is denied. Introduced 10/12/01 Amended 11/02/14 |
| Derivative | “Derivative” as that term is defined in the Corporations Act. |
| Employee | In relation to a Clearing Participant, means a director, employee, officer, agent, representative, consultant or adviser of that Clearing Participant or any Related Body Corporate who is involved in its activities as a Clearing Participant. Introduced 15/06/15 |
| ‘Employee’, ‘member of staff’, ‘officer’, ‘official’, ‘ASX Clear (Futures) staff’, ‘staff of ASX Clear (Futures)’ and like words | In relation to ASX Clear (Futures), means an ‘employee’, ‘member of staff’, ‘officer’, ‘official’ or the like of ASX Clear (Futures) Pty Limited or any of its related bodies corporate. Introduced 21/01/02 Amended 15/06/15 |
| Environmental Contract | One of the matching Deliverable Contracts for Environmental Certificates or Units (as applicable), as determined by the Exchange, between ASX Clear (Futures) and a Clearing Participant which arise when a Deliverable Contract for Environmental Certificates or Units is registered by and novated to ASX Clear (Futures) under these Rules. Introduced 29/07/24 |
| Environmental Registry | An Environmental Registry determined by the Exchange and set out in the Individual Contract Specifications. Introduced 29/07/24 |
| Environmental Registry Agreement | An agreement between ASX Clear (Futures) and the relevant Environmental Registry governing the holding of Environmental Certificates or Units. Introduced 29/07/24 |
| Exchange | Australian Securities Exchange Limited (ABN 000 943 377) formerly known as Sydney Futures Exchange Limited and/or the Related Exchange. The use in these Rules of the term "Exchange or Related Exchange" shall not detract from this wide definition of "Exchange". Amended 02/01/02, 01/08/10 |
| Exchange Allocation & Clearing System | Introduced 10/12/01 Amended 01/08/10 Deleted 11/02/14 |
| Exchange Contract | A class of Futures Contract and Options Contract listed on a Market of the Exchange. |

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| Exchange Dealing Participant | <p>A Participant of the Exchange which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) holds an Australian Financial Services Licence under the Corporations Act; (b) is a body regulated by APRA; or (c) has declared to the Exchange that it will accept instructions from or deal on behalf of persons or corporations, <p>or a Dealer of a Related Exchange which under the relevant Exchange Operating Rules and law of the place of incorporation of the Related Exchange is entitled to deal on behalf of clients.</p> |
| Exchange Equipment | <p>Equipment required by a Clearing Participant in order to access the Exchange System for the purposes of carrying out its activities as a Clearing Participant, which may be supplied from time to time by the Exchange, ASX Clear (Futures) or a Related Body Corporate.</p> <p><small>Introduced Jan 05</small></p> |
| Exchange Markets | <p>The markets of the Australian Securities Exchange Limited and any Related Exchange.</p> |
| Exchange Operating Rules | <p>The operating rules of the Exchange.</p> |
| Exchange System | <p>Any system, including the clearing system, computer system or other electronic system (including the Licensed Software and the Exchange Equipment) utilised by ASX Clear (Futures) or any of its Related Bodies Corporate from time to time in connection with any business of ASX Clear (Futures) or any of its Related Bodies Corporate.</p> <p><small>Introduced Jan 05 Amended 01/08/10</small></p> |
| Excluded Assets | <p>The value attributed to Intangible Assets, deferred tax assets, doubtful debts, goodwill, a financial commitment provided to any exchange or clearing house or any asset used to secure that commitment, unlisted securities, preliminary expenses and any other item which in the opinion of ASX Clear (Futures) should be excluded.</p> <p><small>Introduced 02/08/13</small></p> |
| Exercise Price | <p>The price at which an Option Contract may be exercised.</p> |
| Exercise Request | <p>The notice to be lodged by Participants holding a bought option position in the Exchange System pursuant to which options (whether or not in the money) are exercised prior to their expiry on the Declaration Date.</p> <p><small>Introduced 10/12/01 Amended 11/02/14</small></p> |
| Extra Margin | <p>A deposit with ASX Clear (Futures) pursuant to Rule 45.2 or 45A.2.</p> |

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| Facility Participant | <p>Any person approved by the Exchange who has an Australian CS Facility Licence and is a Clearing Participant.</p> <p>Introduced 04/12/02</p> |
| Final Trading Day | <p>Has the meaning specified in the Exchange Operating Rules.</p> <p>Introduced 30/11/15</p> |
| Financial Requirements | <p>Net Tangible Assets, Net Liquid Assets and such other requirements as may be determined pursuant to Clearing Rule 8.</p> <p>Amended 02/08/13</p> |
| Financial Support | <p>In relation to a Clearing Participant the financial support provided by that Clearing Participant pursuant to Rule 5 or Rule 7.6.</p> |
| Fixed Commitment | <p>The Commitment provided pursuant to Rule 5.6(i).</p> <p>Amended 01/07/13</p> |
| Fixed OTC Commitment | <p>Has the meaning given to it in the OTC Rules.</p> <p>Introduced 01/07/13</p> |
| Force Allocate | <p>The forced settlement of an Open Contract of a Non-Defaulting Clearing Participant matching that of a defaulting Clearing Participant at a price determined by ASX Clear (Futures).</p> <p>Introduced 01/07/13</p> |
| Futures Commitment | <p>The commitment of a Futures Participant to provide financial support to the obligations of ASX Clear (Futures) as set out in Rule 5.</p> <p>Introduced 01/07/13</p> |
| Futures Contract | <p>A Derivative other than an OTC Transaction.</p> <p>Amended 01/07/13</p> |
| Futures Option Contract | <p>An option over a Futures Contract.</p> |
| Futures Participant | <p>Each:</p> <p>(a) Clearing Participant who has been authorised to participate in the clearing of Futures Contracts through ASX Clear (Futures); and</p> <p>(b) BRC Participant.</p> <p>Introduced 01/07/13</p> |
| Gas Supply Hub Transaction | <p>That term as defined in the Exchange Operating Rules.</p> <p>Introduced 29/07/24</p> |
| Gateway | <p>A hardware and software component which provides the communications interface between the Exchange System and the Clearing Participant's system.</p> <p>Introduced 15/06/15</p> |

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| Grain Contract | <p>One of the matching Deliverable Contracts for grain, as determined by the Exchange, between ASX Clear (Futures) and a Clearing Participant which arise when a Deliverable Contract for grain is registered by and novated to ASX Clear (Futures) under these Rules.</p> <p>Introduced 24/10/11 Amended 29/07/24</p> |
| Group of Contracts | <p>A group of contracts which, in the opinion of ASX Clear (Futures), have similar characteristics (including, but not being limited to being contracts which are denominated in a currency other than Australian dollars).</p> |
| Guarantor Clearing Participant | <p>A Clearing Participant who in accordance with Exchange Operating Rules is the guarantor of the Market Contracts of a Participant which is not a Clearing Participant and who enters into or receives an Allocation of a Market Contract in accordance with Exchange Operating Rules and unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to Guarantor Clearing Participant will include a reference to a Facility Participant.</p> <p>Amended 04/12/02</p> |
| Holding Company | <p>Holding Company within the meaning of the Corporations Act as if that Act applies to all Clearing Participants.</p> |
| House Clearing Account | <p>An Account established under Rule 41.1 or a BRC House Account established under Rule 41A.1.</p> <p>Amended 11/02/14</p> |
| House Positions | <p>Open Positions held other than Client Positions.</p> |
| In Writing | <p>Written, typed, printed or lithographed, or partly one and partly another and includes any other mode of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, including electronically produced, displayed and recorded matter.</p> |
| Individual Contract Specifications | <p>The terms of a Class of Contracts identified in the relevant Sub-Section (numbered from 6A to 6E) of Section 6 of the Exchange Operating Rules.</p> |
| Individual Sub-Account | <p>The sub-account so described in the Client Protection Model Provisions.</p> <p>Introduced 11/02/14</p> |
| Initial Margin | <p>A deposit with ASX Clear (Futures) in accordance with Rule 43 or 43A.</p> |
| Intangible Assets | <p>Intangible assets as defined in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (AASB 138), as varied from time to time, or any other accounting standard approved by ASX Clear (Futures).</p> <p>Introduced 02/08/13</p> |

- Intellectual Property
- (a) any patent, trade mark (whether registered or common law), copyright, registered design or other design right and any corresponding property right under the laws of any jurisdiction throughout the world;
 - (b) any right under the laws of Australia, or of any jurisdiction throughout the world, to apply for the grant or registration of a patent, trade mark, copyright, design, or any corresponding property or right; and
 - (c) any rights throughout the world in respect of an invention, discovery, trade secret, know-how, concept, idea, information, data, algorithm or formula.

Introduced Jan 05

- Interest
- (i) In relation to an Underlying Commodity that is grain, means the interest which ASX Clear (Futures) has in the Underlying Commodity under the terms of the Bulk Handler Agreement.
 - (ii) In relation to a Wallumbilla Natural Gas Futures Contract, the natural gas deliverable at the Wallumbilla High Pressure Trade Point which underlies the contract, as determined by the Exchange.
 - (iii) In relation to an Underlying Commodity that is an Environmental Certificate or Unit, means the interest which ASX Clear (Futures) has in the Underlying Commodity under the terms of the relevant Environmental Registry Agreement.

Introduced 29/07/24

Intra-Day Margin A deposit with ASX Clear (Futures) pursuant to Rule 45.1 or 45A.1.

Invoice Back The forced settlement of an Open Contract of a Non-Defaulting Clearing Participant matching that of a defaulting Clearing Participant at a price determined by ASX Clear (Futures).

Introduced 01/07/13

Licence In clearing Rule 16.1 means a licence or a sub-licence.

Introduced Jan 05

Licensed Software The Clearing Software which is the subject of a licence granted by Clearing rule 16.1.

Introduced Jan 05

Licensor Means any third party who, as the owner of Intellectual Property rights, licenses ASX Clear (Futures) or a Related Body Corporate to use those Intellectual Property rights in the manner set out in the relevant licence.

Introduced Jan 05

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| Liquid Assets | <p>Assets that are realisable or otherwise convertible to cash within 24 hours.</p> <p>Introduced 02/08/13</p> |
| Liquid Liabilities | <p>Liabilities that may become due and payable within 24 hours.</p> <p>Introduced 02/08/13</p> |
| Local Participant | <p>(Deleted 01/09/08)</p> |
| Managing Director | <p>The Managing Director of ASX Clear (Futures) or where there is no Managing Director, the principal executive officer of ASX Clear (Futures).</p> <p>The principal executive officer of ASX Clear (Futures) shall be:</p> <p>(a) the Managing Director and CEO of SFE Corporation Limited; or</p> <p>(b) any other person or persons he delegates to perform or share the role of principal executive officer; or</p> <p>(c) in the absence of:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(i) the Managing Director; or</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(ii) where there is no Managing Director, the principal executive officer.</p> <p>then a person delegated by the Managing Director or the principal executive officer to perform some or all of the powers and functions of the Managing Director conferred by the By-Laws.</p> <p>Amended 19/07/96, 05/08/02</p> |
| Mandatory Cash Settlement | <p>Cash settlement pursuant to the Exchange Operating Rules and Part 6 of the Rules.</p> |
| Margin | <p>Initial Margin, Variation Margin, Intra Day Margin or Extra Margin.</p> <p>Amended 28/10/02</p> |
| Market Contract | <p>(a) A contract traded on a market of the Exchange which market is listed in accordance with the Exchange Operating Rules, or otherwise executed in accordance with the Exchange Operating Rules (and, in the case of a Related Exchange, is prescribed in the schedules or has been accepted in writing by the Managing Director for clearing by ASX Clear (Futures)), provided that where a transaction is for more than one lot there shall be nevertheless deemed to be a separate contract with respect to each lot and includes, where the context so requires, either the position of the Buyer or the position of the Seller as the case may be; or</p> <p>(b) A Bond Transaction;</p> <p>(c) A Repurchase Agreement; or</p> |

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| | (d) An OTC Transaction. Amended 04/12/02, 01/07/13 |
| Market Integrity Rules | ASIC Market Integrity Rules (ASX 24 Market) 2010, as amended from time to time. Introduced 11/02/14 |
| Maturity Date | In relation to a Grain Contract, the third Thursday of the month in which the Grain Contract is expressed to mature. Introduced 24/10/11 |
| Net Liquid Assets | Liquid Assets less Liquid Liabilities. Amended 02/08/13 |
| Net Tangible Assets | The value of total assets and Approved Subordinated Debt, less any Excluded Assets, owned by the Participant, less the value of any liabilities. Amended 02/08/13 |
| Nominated Person | The person notified as such to ASX Clear (Futures) in accordance with Rule 115.4. Introduced 11/02/14 |
| Non-Clearing Trading Participant | A Trading Participant of the Exchange which is not a Clearing Participant. |
| Non-Defaulting Clearing Participant | A Clearing Participant not in Default. |
| NZFOE | New Zealand Futures & Options Exchange Limited (ARBN 061 299 269). |
| NZFOE Commencement Time | The date and time on which ASX Clear (Futures) commences to operate as the Clearing and Settlement Facility for NZFOE. |
| Officer | Includes director, partner or employee. |
| OM SECUR Back Office Software | Introduced 10/12/01 Deleted 11/02/14 |
| OM SECUR BOC | Introduced 10/12/01 Deleted 11/02/14 |
| OM SECUR BOPC | Introduced 10/12/01 Deleted 11/02/14 |
| OMnet API | Introduced 10/12/01 Deleted 11/02/14 |
| Omnet Gateway | Introduced 10/12/01 Amended 01/07/13 Deleted 11/02/14 |
| Omnibus Sub-Account | The sub-account so described in the Client Protection Model Provisions. Introduced 11/02/14 |
| Open Contract | (a) Except where paragraph (b) or (c) apply, a contract of a Clearing Participant with ASX Clear (Futures) deemed to arise from: |

- (i) the registration of a Market Contract;
- (ii) an Allocation;
- (iii) a Transfer;
- (iv) the Exercise of an Option Contract; or
- (v) a daily settlement in accordance with Rule 44.

(b) In the case of a Facility Participant, unless the context otherwise requires, a contract between ASX Clear (Futures) and the Facility Participant referred to in Rules 31A.7 and 31A.8.

(c) A contract established by ASX Clear (Futures) pursuant to Rule 72.1(aa).

Amended 28/10/02, 04/12/02, 01/07/13, 11/02/14, 01/02/22

Open Position The entitlement of a Clearing Participant under Open Contracts (including Open Contracts replacing previous Open Contracts by Daily Settlement in accordance with Rule 44 or 44A) which has not been closed out or completed by Delivery or Mandatory Cash Settlement.

In the case of BRC transactions, the entitlement of a BRC Participant under an Open Contract which has not been completed or closed out.

Option Contract Includes both a Futures Options Contract and a Physical Options Contract.

OTC Affiliate Has the meaning given to it in OTC Rule 4.2A.

Introduced 15/08/16

OTC Allocated Futures Contracts Futures Contracts allocated to the calculation of OTC Initial Margin in accordance with these Rules (including the OTC Rules).

Introduced 01/07/13

OTC Clearing The clearing of an OTC Transaction in accordance with the OTC Rules.

Introduced 01/07/13

OTC Commitment The commitment of an OTC Participant to provide financial support to the obligations of ASX Clear (Futures) as set out in the OTC Rules.

Introduced 01/07/13

OTC Initial Margin Has the meaning given to it in the OTC Rules.

Introduced 01/07/13

OTC Open Contract Has the meaning given to it in the OTC Rules.

Introduced 01/07/13

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| OTC Open Position | Has the meaning given to it in the OTC Rules. <small>Introduced 01/07/13</small> |
| OTC Participant | A Clearing Participant who has been authorised to participate in the clearing of OTC Transactions through ASX Clear (Futures). <small>Introduced 01/07/13</small> |
| OTC Rules | The OTC Rules of ASX Clear (Futures), as amended from time to time. <small>Introduced 01/07/13</small> |
| OTC Transaction | An over-the-counter Derivative. <small>Introduced 01/07/13</small> |
| Participant (in relation to the Exchange or a Related Exchange) | Includes a person which is not a member or shareholder of Exchange or of a corporation which constitutes a Related Exchange but which under Exchange Operating Rules is entitled to directly access the market of that Exchange or has otherwise bound itself to comply with those operating rules other than as a client in accordance with the rules and includes a Participant of the Exchange or Dealer of NZFOE. |
| Person | Includes an individual and a body corporate. |
| Physical Option Contract | An option over a Commodity or index (as opposed to an option over a futures contract). |
| Position | The position of a Buyer or Seller under an Open Position. |
| Prescribed | Prescribed by the Board. |
| Prescribed in the Schedules | Prescribed by the Board and set out in the Schedules. |
| Premium | The amount payable by the Buyer of an Option Contract to the Seller as consideration for the Option Contract. |
| Procedures | The procedures, determinations and practice notes relating to the ASX Clear (Futures) Operating Rules, including, where relevant, the ASX OTC Handbook of ASX Clear (Futures) and the ASX Recovery Handbook, as published by ASX Clear (Futures) and as amended from time to time. <small>Introduced 01/07/13 Amended 01/10/15</small> |
| Publish or Published | Make information available to the public and/or to Participants by any means including electronic means. |
| Reciprocal Arrangement | Any agreement or arrangement between ASX Clear (Futures) and any governmental agency or regulatory authority (including, without limitation, any market, clearing house or clearing and settlement facility), in Australia or elsewhere, whose functions include the regulation of trading in, or clearing and settlement of, Financial Products (in Australia or elsewhere) which provides for the disclosure of information between ASX Clear (Futures) and the other party in relation to |

dealings in, or clearing and settlement of, Financial Products (in Australia or elsewhere).

Introduced 02/08/13

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| Recorded by the Exchange | In relation to a Market Contract, recorded by the Relevant Exchange as Prescribed in the Schedules, on the day on which the Contract is traded or in the case of trades effected after the Close of Trading, on the next Business Day of the Relevant Exchange. |
| Recovery Rules | The Recovery Rules applicable to ASX Clear (Futures), as amended from time to time. Introduced 01/10/15 |
| Registered Contract | A Market Contract which has been registered under Rule 31. |
| Related Body Corporate | Has the same meaning as in the Corporations Act. Introduced 21/01/02 Amended 11/02/14 |
| Related Exchange | New Zealand Futures & Options Exchange Limited (NZFOE). |
| Relevant Exchange | The Exchange (either the Australian Securities Exchange Limited or a Related Exchange) on which particular Market Contracts have been traded or are to be traded. |
| Representative | Includes a person who has been engaged in or is otherwise subject to an agreement, arrangement or understanding whereby that person will act on behalf of a Clearing Participant. |
| Repurchase Agreement | A repurchase transaction entered pursuant to The Bond Market Association and International Securities Market Association Global Master Repurchase Agreement (known as the TBMA-ISMA Global Master Repurchase Agreement), as amended from time to time. |
| Rules | These Rules including the Schedules and, where relevant, the OTC Rules and the Recovery Rules, as amended from time to time. Amended 01/08/10, 01/07/13, 01/10/15 |
| Schedules | Schedules to the Rules. |
| Security Interest | Any mortgage pledge guarantee charge or security of any kind. |
| Seller | (a) In relation to a Market Contract the Trading Participant who enters into the contract as seller or if such Trading Participant is a Non-Clearing Trading Participant, its Guarantor Clearing Participant, or if prior to Registration that Market Contract is Allocated or deemed to be Allocated to another Exchange Participant as seller in accordance with the Exchange Operating Rules and that Allocation is accepted or confirmed or deemed to be accepted or confirmed by that Participant, that Exchange Participant or if that Exchange Participant is a Non-Clearing Trading Participant, its Guarantor Clearing Participant. |

- (b) In relation to an Open Contract the Clearing Participant in the selling position with respect to such Open Contract.
- (c) In relation to a Bond the Clearing Participant in the selling position.
- (d) In relation to a Repurchase Agreement the Clearing Participant in the selling position.

Amended 01/09/08

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| Settlement Time | The time specified in the Procedures or, where settlement is deferred under the Rules, a later time determined by ASX Clear (Futures). Introduced 24/10/11 |
| Specified Quantity | In respect of a Deliverable Contract means the quantity of the Underlying Commodity which must be delivered on settlement of the contract, as determined by the Exchange. Introduced 29/07/24 |
| Substantial Change in Control | Deleted 15/06/15 |
| Support Fee | The fee determined by ASX Clear (Futures) from time to time for the provision of support services in relation to the Licensed Software. Introduced Jan 05 |
| SYCOM® | Deleted 11/02/14 |
| Tender Documentation | The documentation in the form set out in the Procedures for the purposes of Schedule 14. Introduced 24/10/11 |
| Trading Day | Has the meaning specified in the Exchange Operating Rules. Introduced 30/11/15 |
| Trading Participant | A Trading Participant of the Exchange pursuant to the Exchange Operating Rules. Introduced 13/12/99 Amended 01/08/10 |
| Trading Platform | Has the meaning given to it in the Exchange Operating Rules. Introduced 11/02/14 |
| Underlying Commodity | In relation to a Deliverable Contract, the type of Commodity which underlies the contract, as determined by the Exchange. Introduced 24/10/11 Amended 29/07/24 |
| Variable Commitment | The Commitment provided pursuant to Rule 5.6(ii). Amended 01/07/13 |
| Variable OTC Commitment | Has the meaning given to it in the OTC Rules. Introduced 01/07/13 |

Variation Margin An amount determined by ASX Clear (Futures) in its mark to market procedures, being BRC Variation Margin or Daily Settlement Amount.

Introduced 28/10/02

Wallumbilla Natural Gas Futures Contract One of the matching Deliverable Contracts for natural gas deliverable at the Wallumbilla High Pressure Trade Point, as determined by the Exchange, between ASX Clear (Futures) and a Clearing Participant which arise when a Deliverable Contract for natural gas deliverable at the Wallumbilla High Pressure Trade Point is registered by and novated to ASX Clear (Futures) under these Rules.

Introduced 29/07/24

Warehouse Receipt That term as defined in the Exchange Operating Rules.

Introduced 26/03/96

1.2 Amended 01/08/10 Deleted 15/06/15

1.3 These Rules shall constitute a contract between ASX Clear (Futures) and Clearing Participants and between each Clearing Participant.

1.4 Except so far as the contrary intention appears in these Rules an expression has in a provision of these Rules that deals with a matter dealt with by a particular provision of the Corporations Act, the same meaning as in that provision of the Corporations Act.

1.5 The headings in these Rules are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of the Rules.

1.6 Unless the contrary intention appears, a reference to a law, statute or provision of a law or statute includes that law, statute or provision as amended or replaced from time to time.

1.7 Except where the contrary intention appears from the Rules or any determination of ASX Clear (Futures):

(a) Subject to paragraph (b) any reference in the Rules to an amount of money shall refer to that amount in the lawful currency of Australia; and

(b) Any reference in or in relation to Open Contracts arising from Market Contracts traded on NZFOE and any Margin in relation to such contract shall be taken to be New Zealand dollars.

1.8 (a) Each person who was a Clearing Member immediately prior to the adoption Date is to be taken, for the purposes of these Rules, to be a Clearing Participant on the Adoption Date.

(b) The amendment of these Rules on the Adoption Date:

(i) shall not affect any liability, obligation or responsibility existing under the Rules prior to that date, of a person who was a Clearing Member prior to that date; and

(ii) shall not disturb the continuity, status, operation or effect of any act or thing done pursuant to the Rules in effect prior to that date.

In paragraph (b)(ii), "act or thing done" includes, but is not limited to:

- the making of a determination or passing of a resolution;
- the granting or exercise of a power, including a delegated power;
- the execution of a document; or
- the appointment of a person or removal of a person from an office or position.

1.9 As from the Effective Time (as defined in Rule 12B), these Rules (formerly known as the Clearing Rules of SFE Clearing) have been renamed the ASX Clear (Futures) Operating Rules.

Introduced 01/08/10

OTC Clearing and OTC Rules

1.10 The clearing facilities which may be provided by ASX Clear (Futures) in accordance with the terms of these Rules include the clearing of OTC Transactions under the OTC Rules. The OTC Rules supplement, and form part of, these Rules.

However, if a Clearing Participant is not an OTC Participant, has not been an OTC Participant and has not applied to be an OTC Participant, then the OTC Rules do not:

- (a) vary the application of these ASX Clear (Futures) Operating Rules to that Clearing Participant; and
- (b) impose any additional obligations on that Clearing Participant,

except as expressly set out in these ASX Clear (Futures) Operating Rules. Subject to this, in connection with OTC Clearing and OTC Participants, the OTC Rules prevail over these ASX Clear (Futures) Operating Rules to the extent of any inconsistency between them.

Introduced 01/07/13

1.11 Unless the contrary intention appears, capitalised terms not defined in these Rules have the meaning given to them in the OTC Rules.

Introduced 11/02/14

1.12 The Recovery Rules supplement and form part of these Rules. Unless expressed to the contrary, the Recovery Rules prevail over these Rules to the extent of any inconsistency between them.

Introduced 01/10/15

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