



# Restriction of Special Characters for Cboe Equities and Options Exchanges

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## Overview

**Effective January 13, 2020**, orders submitted to the BZX Equities, BYX Equities, EDGX Equities, EDGA Equities, BZX Options, EDGX Options, Cboe Options, and C2 Options Exchanges will be rejected if they contain the | (pipe), @ (ampersand), and/or " (double quotation mark) characters in the *ClOrdID* (FIX Tag 11), *ComplianceID*, (FIX Tag 376), *CrossID* (FIX Tag 548), and *QuoteUpdateID* fields.

The restriction of these special characters is being implemented to comply with CAT reporting requirements designating these special characters as delimiters.

## Testing Opportunities

Effective November 11, 2019, these new character restrictions will be enforced in all the Equities and Options certification environments.

## Additional Information

For more information, refer to the following technical specifications.

- [US Equities FIX Specification](#)
- [US Equities BOE Specification](#)
- [US Options FIX Specification](#)
- [US Options BOE Specification](#)
- [CAT Reporting Technical Specifications for Industry Members](#)

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