



Cboe BZX Options Regulatory Circular 18-011
Cboe EDGX Options Regulatory Circular 18-011

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To: Options Members

From: Regulatory Division

RE: Options Regulatory Fee Billing Update

This circular is an update to Cboe BZX Options Regulatory Circular [18-009](#) and Cboe EDGX Options Regulatory Circular [18-010](#).

The Exchanges have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) rule changes clarifying how the Options Regulatory Fee (“ORF”) is assessed and collected. Links to the filings are included below. In regard to the manner in which the ORF is assessed for Clearing Member Trade Agreement (“CMTA”) transfers, the ORF will be adjusted for CMTA transfers in the last step of the billing calculation, after it has been calculated based on executed trades. In those cases where a CMTA transfer occurs, and either the transferor or the transferee is an Options Member then the Exchange will reduce the number of contracts transferred from the transferor and assess it to the transferee. In short, in this scenario only the transferee will be assessed the ORF. If neither the transferor nor the transferee is an Options Member, the Exchange will not make any adjustments to ORF billing.

Also, as a reminder, the Exchanges are establishing a new process to ensure accurate assessment of the ORF to all OCC clearing numbers associated with an Options Member. Pursuant to BZX/EDGX Rule 24.1, on or before August 15, 2018, Options Members that are Clearing Firms must provide Membership Services with a complete list of their OCC clearing numbers. The Exchange will use the list provided solely for ORF billing purposes. Clearing firms that are Options Members of BZX Options and/or EDGX Options, as applicable, may use the form found at http://cdn.batstrading.com/resources/membership/Registration_of_OCC_Clearing_Numbers_for_ORF.pdf to provide the requested information. All completed forms must be submitted to Membership Services not later than August 15, 2018.

Additional Information

For additional information, please refer to Cboe BZX Options Rule Filing [SR-CboeBZX-2018-054](#) and Cboe EDGX Options Rule Filing [SR-CboeEDGX-2018-027](#).

Questions related to the rules and related requirements may be directed to Regulatory Interpretations at reginterps@cboe.com or (312) 786-8141. Questions regarding submission of OCC clearing numbers may be directed to Membership Services at MembershipServices@cboe.com (312) 786-7449.