



## Regulatory Circular RG01-03

**DATE:** January 4, 2001  
**TO:** Members and Member Firms  
**FROM:** Market Operations Department  
**RE:** Restrictions on Transactions in  
RSL Communication, Ltd.

Trading in RSL Communications Ltd. (QRL) common stock on the NASDAQ National Market System and trading in QRL options on CBOE was halted on December 28, 2000, and the NASD subsequently delisted QRL common stock.

Trading on CBOE in existing series of QRL options will reopen on January 5, 2001 subject to the following restrictions. Only closing transactions may be effected in any series of QRL options, except for (i) opening transactions by market-makers executed to accommodate closing transactions of other market participants and (ii) opening transactions by CBOE member organizations to facilitate the closing transactions of public customers executed as crosses pursuant to and in accordance with CBOE Rule 6.74(b). The firm quotation provisions under Rule 8.51 will be suspended in QRL options and the options will not be traded on RAES.

The execution of opening transactions in QRL options, except as permitted above, and/or the misrepresentation as to whether an order is opening or closing, will constitute a violation of CBOE rules, and may result in disciplinary action.

There are no restrictions in place with respect to the exercise of QRL options and the Options Clearing Corporation (OCC) has advised CBOE that the expiration of QRL options will remain subject to OCC's Exercise-by-Exception Procedures.

The provisions of this circular apply to any options on RSL Communications Ltd. traded on CBOE, including any RSL Communications Ltd. option series with a different option symbol than QRL.

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