



**Regulatory Circular RG09-142**

**DATE:** December 10, 2009  
**TO:** Members and Member Firms  
**FROM:** Market Operations Department  
**RE:** Restrictions on Transactions in  
Fairfax Financial Holdings, Ltd. ("FFH")

Effective today the NYSE has suspended trading in Fairfax Financial Holdings, Ltd. ("FFH").

Trading on the CBOE in existing series of FFH/FIH/FUI/XKF options will be subject to the following restrictions. Only closing transactions may be effected in any series of FFH/FIH/FUI/XKF 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) or (d).

The execution of opening transactions in FFH/FIH/FUI/XKF 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. Member organizations should ensure that they have appropriate procedures in place to prevent their customers from entering opening orders in this restricted option class. In addition, transactions in contravention of this restriction may be subject to nullification pursuant to Exchange Rule 6.25.

There are no restrictions in place with respect to the exercise of FFH/FIH/FUI/XKF options. The provisions of this circular apply to any options on FFH/FIH/FUI/XKF traded on CBOE.

Any questions regarding this circular may be directed to Kerry Winters at (312) 786-7312.

CBOE restricted class memos can be accessed from CBOE.org at the following web address:

<http://www.cboe.org/Restrictions>