

CFTC FINAL RULE ON POSITION LIMITS IMPLEMENTATION DATES

Effective Date

All final rule provisions are effective on the	The Effective Date is 60 days after the final
"Effective Date."	rule's publication in the Federal Register.
	The final rule has not yet been published, but
	its publication is anticipated to occur within
	the next several weeks.

For example, because all of the final rule's provisions are effective on the Effective Date, this means, market participants may immediately avail themselves on the Effective Date of:

- The new enumerated bona fide hedge and spread exemptions.
- The higher federal position limits for nine legacy agricultural contracts.¹

Compliance Date

For Market Participants		
Market participants must comply with	No later than January 1, 2022.	
federal position limits for the 16 non-legacy		
core referenced futures contracts that are		
subject to federal position limits for the first		
time under the final rule.		
Market participants must comply with	No later than January 1, 2023.	
federal position limits for economically		
equivalent swaps.		
Positions based on previously-granted risk	No later than January 1, 2023.	
management exemptions must be reduced to		
levels that comply with the applicable federal		
position limits.		

¹ Exchange-set position limits will remain at current levels unless and until the relevant exchange submits a rule amendment pursuant to part 40 of the Commission's regulations to amend the relevant exchange-set position limit.

Until the applicable exchange that lists a	Exchanges must implement § 150.5 no later
given referenced contract implements §	than January 1, 2022.
150.5 under the final rule, market	
participants, if using bona fide hedges for	
federal position limit purposes, must	
continue to provide the Commission with	
Form 204 and Parts I and II of Form 304 to	
the Commission consistent with the status	
quo.	
For Exchanges	
Exchanges must comply with the processes	No later than January 1, 2022.
and procedures in connection with § 150.5	
(exchange-set position limits and exemptions	
therefrom).	
Exchanges may implement the processes and	Implementation of § 150.9 is voluntary for
procedures in connection with §150.9,	exchanges.
including with respect to processing market	
participant applications for purposes of non-	Exchanges may implement as soon as the
enumerated bona fide hedge exemptions for	Effective Date or any time thereafter (or they
federal position limit purposes.	may choose not to implement at all).
Enforcement of exchange-set position limits	No earlier than January 1, 2023.
on economically equivalent swaps.	
	In two years, the Commission will reevaluate
	the ability of exchanges to establish and
	implement appropriate surveillance
	mechanisms to implement DCM Core
	Principle 5 and Swap Execution Facility
	("SEF") Core Principle 6 with respect to
	swaps.
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