### Accessed from http://www.finra.org. ©2022 FINRA. All rights reserved. FINRA is a registered trademark of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. Reprinted with permission from FINRA. Version date May 9, 2022. On Definitions. For purposes of this Rule, the definitions contained in SEA Rule 1523-3 shall applied.

- .02 Authorization to Lend Customers' Margin Securities. For purposes of paragraph (a) of this Rule, members may use a single customer account agreement/margin agreement/loan consent signed by a customer as written authorization to permit the lending of a customer's margin eligible securities in lieu of obtaining a separate written authorization; provided such customer account agreement/margin agreement/loan consent includes clear and prominent disclosure that the firm may lend either to itself or others any securities held by the customer in its margin account.
- .03 Notification to FINRA. FINRA, upon receipt of a member's written notification pursuant to paragraph (b)(1)(C) of this Rule, may request such additional information as it may deem necessary to evaluate compliance with SEA Rule 15c3-3, Section 15(e) of the Exchange Act and other applicable FINRA rules or federal securities laws or rules. Examples of additional information include, but are not limited to:
  - (a) the written agreement authorizing such borrowing of securities, which shall reflect the material terms of the arrangement;
  - (b) the types of customers that are parties to such securities borrows;
- (c) the types of accounts used to effect the securities borrows (i.e., whether the subject securities are maintained in customers' cash or margin or other accounts);
- (d) the types of collateral provided to customers in connection with such securities borrows, the frequency of marking to market of the collateral and the custody arrangements for such collateral;
  - (e) the operational and recordkeeping processes related to such securities borrows;
  - (f) the rebates paid/received in connection with such securities borrows and any other compensation arrangements related thereto;
  - (g) the procedures for handling customers' requests to sell the securities subject to such borrows; and
  - (h) disclosures made to customers.
- .04 Appropriateness of Customer's Loan(s) of Securities. The member borrowing a customer's fully paid or excess margin securities is responsible for making the determination regarding the appropriateness of such borrow from a customer required by paragraph (b)(2)(A) of this Rule. However, in making that determination, when the member has entered into a carrying agreement with an introducing member, pursuant to Rule 4311, the member may rely on the representations of the introducing member that has a customer relationship with the lender.
- .05 Appropriateness Determination for Institutional Customers. A member may fulfill the obligation set forth in paragraph (b)(2)(A) of this Rule for an institutional account, as defined in Rule 4512(c), by complying with the requirements of Rule 2111(b).
- .06 Notification to FINRA of Pre-existing Fully Paid or Excess Margin Securities Borrows and Disclosures to Customers. Members with any existing fully paid or excess margin securities borrows with customers as of May 1, 2014 shall notify FINRA in writing, in such manner and format as FINRA may require, of such borrows within 30 days from May 1, 2014. Further, such members shall provide such customers with the disclosures required by paragraph (b)(2)(B) of this Rule within 180 days of May 1, 2014.

Amended by SR-FINRA-2013-035 partially effective May 1, 2014 and fully effective October 28, 2014.

Amended eff. March 17, 1983.

Amended eff. December 12, 1974.

Amended eff. October 18, 1972.

Amended eff. March 1, 1972.

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### 4340. Callable Securities

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### (a) Allocation Procedures and Customer Notice

Each member that has in its possession or under its control any security which, by its terms, may be called or redeemed prior to maturity, shall:

- (1) establish and make available on the member's website procedures by which it will allocate among its customers, on a fair and impartial basis, the securities to be redeemed or selected as called in the event of a partial redemption or call; and
- (2) provide written notice (which may be electronic) to new customers at the opening of an account, and all customers at least once every calendar year, of the manner in which they may access the allocation procedures on the member's website and that, upon a customer's request, the member will provide hard copies of the allocation procedures to the customer.

#### (b) Favorable Redemptions

Where redemption of callable securities is made on terms that are favorable to the called parties, a member shall not allocate the securities to any account in which it or its associated persons have an interest until all other customers' positions in such securities have been satisfied.

### (c) Unfavorable Redemptions

Where the redemption of callable securities is made on terms that are unfavorable to the called parties, a member shall not exclude its positions or those of its associated persons (including those persons performing solely clerical and ministerial functions) from the pool of the securities eligible to be called.

### • • • Supplementary Material: -----

- .01 Definition of Associated Person; Clerical and Ministerial Functions. The term "associated person" as used in this Rule shall have the meaning provided in Section 3(a)(18) of the Exchange Act, which expressly excludes, for certain purposes, any person associated with the member whose functions are solely clerical or ministerial (referred to as "clerical and ministerial associated persons"). With respect to a redemption made on terms that are favorable to the called parties, for purposes of paragraph (b) of this Rule, a member may include the accounts of clerical and ministerial associated persons in the pool of the securities eligible to be called. With respect to a redemption made on terms that are unfavorable to the called parties, for purposes of paragraph (c) of this Rule, a member shall not exclude the accounts of clerical and ministerial associated persons from the pool of the securities eligible to be called.
- .02 Allocations of Partial Redemptions or Calls. For purposes of paragraph (a)(1) of this Rule, a member's procedures may include the use of an impartial lottery system, acting on a pro-rata basis, or such other means as will achieve a fair and impartial allocation of the partially redeemed or called securities.
- .03 Accounts of an Introducing Member and its Associated Persons. Where an introducing member is a party to a carrying agreement with another member that is conducting an allocation pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Rule, any accounts in which the introducing member or its associated persons have an interest shall be subject to paragraphs (b) and (c) of this Rule. The introducing member also shall identify such accounts to the member conducting the allocation.

Adopted by SR-FINRA-2013-035 eff. May 1, 2014.

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### (a) General Provision

- (1) Each member required to join the Securities Investor Protection Corporation shall maintain blanket fidelity bond coverage which provides against loss and has Insuring Agreements covering at least the following:
  - (A) Fidelity
  - (B) On Premises
  - (C) In Transit
  - (D) Forgery and Alteration
  - (E) Securities
  - (F) Counterfeit Currency
- (2) The fidelity bond must include a cancellation rider providing that the insurance carrier will use its best efforts to promptly notify FINRA in the event the bond is cancelled, terminated or substantially modified.
  - (3) A member's fidelity bond must provide for per loss coverage without an aggregate limit of liability.

### (b) Minimum Required Coverage

(1) A member with a net capital requirement of less than \$250,000 must maintain minimum fidelity bond coverage for all Insuring Agreements required by paragraph (a) of this Rule of the greater of (A) 120% of the member's required net capital under SEA Rule 15c3-1 or (B) \$100,000. A member with a net capital requirement of \$250,000 or more must maintain minimum fidelity bond coverage for all Insuring Agreements required by paragraph (a) of this Rule in accordance with the following table:

Net Capital Requirement under SEA Rule 15c3-1	Minimum Coverage
250,000 – 300,000	600,000
300,001 – 500,000	700,000
500,001 – 1,000,000	800,000
1,000,001 – 2,000,000	1,000,000
2,000,001 – 3,000,000	1,500,000
3,000,001 – 4,000,000	2,000,000
4,000,001 – 6,000,000	3,000,000
6,000,001 – 12,000,000	4,000,000
12,000,001 and above	5,000,000

(2) At a minimum, a member must maintain fidelity bond coverage for any person associated with the member, except directors or trustees who are not performing acts within the scope of the usual duties of an officer or employee.

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(3) Any defense costs for covered losses must be in addition to the minimum coverage requirements as set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this Rule.

#### (c) Deductible Provision

A provision may be included in a fidelity bond to provide for a deductible of up to 25% of the coverage purchased by a member. Any deductible amount elected by the member that is greater than 10% of the coverage purchased by the member must be deducted from the member's net worth in the calculation of its net capital for purposes of SEA Rule 15c3-1. If the member is a subsidiary of another FINRA member, this amount may be deducted from the parent's rather than the subsidiary's net worth, but only if the parent guarantees the subsidiary's net capital in writing.

### (d) Annual Review of Coverage

- (1) A member, including a member that signs a multi-year insurance policy, shall, annually as of the yearly anniversary date of the issuance of the fidelity bond, review the adequacy of its coverage and make any required adjustments, as set forth in paragraphs (d)(2) and (d) (3) of this Rule.
- (2) A member's highest net capital requirement during the preceding 12-month period, based on the applicable method of computing net capital (dollar minimum, aggregate indebtedness or alternative standard), shall be used as the basis for determining the member's required minimum fidelity bond coverage for the succeeding 12-month period. For the purpose of this paragraph, the "preceding 12-month period" shall include the 12-month period that ends 60 days before the yearly anniversary date of a member's fidelity bond.
- (3) A member that has only been in business for one year and elected the aggregate indebtedness ratio for calculating its net capital requirement may use, solely for the purpose of determining the adequacy of its fidelity bond coverage for its second year, the 15 to 1 ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital in lieu of the 8 to 1 ratio (required for broker-dealers in their first year of business) to calculate its net capital requirement. Notwithstanding the above, such member shall not carry less minimum bonding coverage in its second year than it carried in its first year.

### (e) Notification of Change

A member shall immediately advise FINRA in writing if its fidelity bond is cancelled, terminated or substantially modified.

### (f) Exemptions

- (1) The requirements of this Rule shall not apply to:
- (A) members that maintain a fidelity bond as required by a national securities exchange, registered with the SEC under Section 6 of the Exchange Act, provided that the member is in good standing with such national securities exchange and the fidelity bond requirements of such exchange are equal to or greater than the requirements of this Rule; and
- (B) members whose business is solely that of a Designated Market Maker, Floor broker or registered Floor trader and who does not conduct business with the public.
- (2) Any member may apply for an exemption, pursuant to the Rule 9600 Series, from the requirements of paragraphs (d)(2) and (d)(3) of this Rule. An exemption may be granted, at the discretion of FINRA, upon a showing of good cause, including a substantial change in the circumstances or nature of the member's business that would result in a lower net capital requirement.

#### • • • Supplementary Material: -----

- .01 Definitions. For purposes of this Rule, the term "substantially modified" shall mean any change in the type or amount of fidelity bonding coverage, or in the exclusions to which the bond is subject, or any other change in the bond such that it no longer complies with the requirements of this Rule.
- .02 Alternative Coverage. A member that does not qualify for blanket fidelity bond coverage as required by paragraph (a)(3) of this Rule shall maintain substantially similar fidelity bond coverage in compliance with all other provisions of this Rule, provided that the member maintains written correspondence from two insurance providers stating that the member does not qualify for the coverage required by paragraph (a)(3) of this Rule. The member must retain such correspondence for the period specified by SEA Rule 17a-4(b)(4).

Amended by SR-FINRA-2010-059 eff. Jan. 1, 2012.

Amended by SR-NASD-98-33 eff. Sept. 15, 1998.

Deleted and replaced with former Appendix C by SR-NASD-93-48 eff. Mar. 8, 1994.

Amended by SR-NASD-82-14 eff. Nov. 19, 1982.

Amended eff. July 11, 1979.

Added eff. Mar. 15, 1974.

**Selected Notices:** 73-02, 73-75, 74-15, 75-26, 76-19, 78-02, 78-15, 79-25, 79-26, 82-40, 82-58, 83-56, 11-21.

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### 4370. Business Continuity Plans and Emergency Contact Information

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- (a) Each member must create and maintain a written business continuity plan identifying procedures relating to an emergency or significant business disruption. Such procedures must be reasonably designed to enable the member to meet its existing obligations to customers. In addition, such procedures must address the member's existing relationships with other broker-dealers and counter-parties. The business continuity plan must be made available promptly upon request to FINRA staff.
- (b) Each member must update its plan in the event of any material change to the member's operations, structure, business or location. Each member must also conduct an annual review of its business continuity plan to determine whether any modifications are necessary in light of changes to the member's operations, structure, business, or location.
- (c) The elements that comprise a business continuity plan are flexible and may be tailored to the size and needs of a member. Each plan, however, must at a minimum, address:
  - (1) Data back-up and recovery (hard copy and electronic);
  - (2) All mission critical systems;
  - (3) Financial and operational assessments;
  - (4) Alternate communications between customers and the member;
  - (5) Alternate communications between the member and its employees;
  - (6) Alternate physical location of employees;
  - (7) Critical business constituent, bank, and counter-party impact;
  - (8) Regulatory reporting;
  - (9) Communications with regulators; and
  - (10) How the member will assure customers' prompt access to their funds and securities in the event that the member determines that it is unable to continue its business.

Each member must address the above-listed categories to the extent applicable and necessary. If any of the above-listed categories is not applicable, the member's business continuity plan need not address the category. The member's business continuity plan, however, must document the rationale for not including such category in its plan. If a member relies on another entity for any one of the above-listed categories or any mission critical system, the member's business continuity plan must address this relationship.

- (d) Members must designate a member of senior management to approve the plan and he or she shall be responsible for conducting the required annual review. The member of senior management must also be a registered principal.
- (e) Each member must disclose to its customers how its business continuity plan addresses the possibility of a future significant business disruption and how the member plans to respond to events of varying scope. At a minimum, such disclosure must be made in writing to customers at account opening, posted on the member's Web site (if the member maintains a Web site), and mailed to customers upon request.
  - (f)(1) Each member shall report to FINRA, via such electronic or other means as FINRA may specify, prescribed emergency contact information for the member. The emergency contact information for the member includes designation of two associated persons as emergency contact persons. At least one emergency contact person shall be a member of senior management and a registered principal of the member. If a member designates a second emergency contact person who is not a registered principal, such person shall be a member of senior management who has knowledge of the member's business operations. A member with only one associated person shall designate as a second emergency contact person an individual, either registered with another firm or nonregistered, who has knowledge of the member's business operations (e.g., the member's attorney, accountant, or clearing firm contact).
  - (2) Each member must promptly update its emergency contact information, via such electronic or other means as FINRA may specify, in the event of any material change. With respect to the designated emergency contact persons, each member must identify, review, and, if

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- (g) For purposes of this Rule, the following terms shall have the meanings specified below:
- (1) "Mission critical system" means any system that is necessary, depending on the nature of a member's business, to ensure prompt and accurate processing of securities transactions, including, but not limited to, order taking, order entry, execution, comparison, allocation, clearance and settlement of securities transactions, the maintenance of customer accounts, access to customer accounts and the delivery of funds and securities.
- (2) "Financial and operational assessment" means a set of written procedures that allow a member to identify changes in its operational, financial, and credit risk exposures.

Amended by SR-FINRA-2015-004 eff. Feb. 12, 2015.

Amended by SR-FINRA-2009-036 eff. Dec. 14, 2009.

Amended by SR-NASD-2007-034 eff. Dec. 31, 2007.

Adopted by SR-NASD-2002-108 eff. Aug. 11, 2004 (Clearing Firms), Sep. 10, 2004 (Introducing Firms).

**Selected Notices:** 04-37, 07-42, 09-60.

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## 4380. Mandatory Participation in FINRA BC/DR Testing Under Regulation

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(a) In accordance with Rule 1004 of SEC Regulation SCI, FINRA will designate members that will be required to participate in FINRA's periodic, scheduled testing of its business continuity and disaster recovery (BC/DR) plan. FINRA will do so according to established criteria that are designed to ensure participation by those members that FINRA reasonably determines are, taken as a whole, the minimum necessary for the maintenance of fair and orderly markets in the event of the activation of its BC/DR plan. FINRA's criteria will consider volume of activity on a FINRA market system over a specified period of time. FINRA will communicate to members its criteria for designation under this Rule, and any changes to such criteria, on a prospective basis by Regulatory Notice.

(b) The testing of FINRA's BC/DR plan referred to in this Rule will occur at least once every twelve months. Such testing will include functional and performance testing of the operation of FINRA's BC/DR plan. FINRA will notify members that are designated to participate in BC/DR testing under this Rule at least 90 days prior to the scheduled test date.

(c) Members that are designated pursuant to this Rule shall be required to fulfill, within the time frames established by FINRA, certain testing requirements that FINRA determines are necessary and appropriate. Members may also be required to satisfy related reporting requirements, for example, reporting the results of the member's participation in testing under this Rule, as determined by FINRA.

Adopted by SR-FINRA-2015-046 eff. Nov. 3, 2015.

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### 4511. General Requirements

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- (a) Members shall make and preserve books and records as required under the FINRA rules, the Exchange Act and the applicable Exchange Act rules.
- (b) Members shall preserve for a period of at least six years those FINRA books and records for which there is no specified period under the FINRA rules or applicable Exchange Act rules.
- (c) All books and records required to be made pursuant to the FINRA rules shall be preserved in a format and media that complies with SEA Rule 17a-4.

Adopted by SR-FINRA-2010-052 eff. Dec. 5, 2011.

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### 4512. Customer Account Information

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- (a) Each member shall maintain the following information:
  - (1) for each account:
    - (A) customer's name and residence;
    - (B) whether customer is of legal age;
  - (C) name(s) of the associated person(s), if any, responsible for the account, and if multiple individuals are assigned responsibility for the account, a record indicating the scope of their responsibilities with respect to the account, provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply to an institutional account;
  - (D) signature of the partner, officer or manager denoting that the account has been accepted in accordance with the member's policies and procedures for acceptance of accounts;
  - (E) if the customer is a corporation, partnership or other legal entity, the names of any persons authorized to transact business on behalf of the entity; and
  - (F) subject to Supplementary Material .06, name of and contact information for a trusted contact person age 18 or older who may be contacted about the customer's account; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply to an institutional account.
- (2) for each account other than an institutional account, and accounts in which investments are limited to transactions in open-end investment company shares that are not recommended by the member or its associated persons, each member shall also make reasonable efforts to obtain, prior to the settlement of the initial transaction in the account, the following information to the extent it is applicable to the account:
  - (A) customer's tax identification or Social Security number;
  - (B) occupation of customer and name and address of employer; and
  - (C) whether customer is an associated person of another member; and
- (3) for discretionary accounts maintained by a member, in addition to compliance with subparagraph (1) and, to the extent applicable, subparagraph (2) above, and Rule 3260, the member shall maintain a record of the dated, signature of each named, associated person of the member authorized to exercise discretion in the account. This recordkeeping requirement shall not apply to investment discretion granted by a customer as to the price at which or the time to execute an order given by a customer for the purchase or sale of a definite dollar amount or quantity of a specified security. Nothing in this Rule shall be construed as allowing members to maintain discretionary accounts or exercise discretion in such accounts except to the extent permitted under the federal securities laws.
- (b) A member need not meet the requirements of this Rule with respect to any account that was opened pursuant to a prior FINRA rule until such time as the member updates the information for the account either in the course of the member's routine and customary business or as otherwise required by applicable laws or rules.
  - (c) For purposes of this Rule, the term "institutional account" shall mean the account of:
    - (1) a bank, savings and loan association, insurance company or registered investment company;
  - (2) an investment adviser registered either with the SEC under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act or with a state securities commission (or any agency or office performing like functions); or
    - (3) any other person (whether a natural person, corporation, partnership, trust or otherwise) with total assets of at least \$50 million.

- **Reprinted with permission from FINRA. Version date May 9, 2022**. **.01 Customer Account Information Retention Periods.** For purposes of this Rule, members shall preserve a record of any customer account information that subsequently is updated for at least six years after the date that such information is updated. Members shall preserve a record of the last update to any customer account information, or the original account information if there are no updates to the account information, for at least six years after the date the account is closed.
- **.02 Additional Customer Account Records Under the Exchange Act.** Members should be aware that they may be required to make and preserve additional customer account records as required under Section 17(a) of the Exchange Act and the applicable associated Exchange Act rules.
- .03 Compliance With Rule 2070. With respect to paragraph (a)(2)(B) of this Rule, members should be aware that they have an obligation to comply with the requirements of Rule 2070(a) if they have actual notice that a customer having a financial interest in, or controlling trading in, an account is an employee of FINRA.
- **.04 "Maintain" and "Preserve."** For purposes of Rule 4512 only, as a general matter, the term "maintain" is used to reflect customer account information that is current or in use. The term "preserve" is used to reflect customer account information that is no longer current or in use.
- .05 Supervision of Accounts. Nothing in paragraph (a)(1)(C) of this Rule obviates a member's obligation to supervise an account that it services, including determining the associated persons responsible for the account and ensuring that such persons are appropriately qualified and registered, and to comply with the requirements of Rule 2090 (effective July 9, 2012). With respect to a member's obligation to supervise an account, it is incumbent upon the member to design appropriate mechanisms to determine the associated persons responsible for the account, ensure that such persons are appropriately qualified and registered, and have the ability to provide such information to FINRA or SEC staff upon request.

#### .06 Trusted Contact Person

- (a) With respect to paragraph (a)(1)(F) of this Rule, at the time of account opening a member shall disclose in writing, which may be electronic, to the customer that the member or an associated person of the member is authorized to contact the trusted contact person and disclose information about the customer's account to address possible financial exploitation, to confirm the specifics of the customer's current contact information, health status, or the identity of any legal guardian, executor, trustee or holder of a power of attorney, or as otherwise permitted by Rule 2165. With respect to any account that was opened pursuant to a prior FINRA rule, a member shall provide this disclosure in writing, which may be electronic, when updating the information for the account pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Rule either in the course of the member's routine and customary business or as otherwise required by applicable laws or rules.
- (b) The absence of the name of or contact information for a trusted contact person shall not prevent a member from opening or maintaining an account for a customer, provided that the member makes reasonable efforts to obtain the name of and contact information for a trusted contact person.
- (c) With respect to any account subject to the requirements of SEA Rule 17a- 3(a)(17) to periodically update customer records, a member shall make reasonable efforts to obtain or, if previously obtained, to update where appropriate the name of and contact information for a trusted contact person consistent with the requirements of SEA Rule 17a-3(a)(17).

Amended by SR-FINRA-2019-009 eff. May 8, 2019. Amended by SR-FINRA-2018-040 eff. May 6, 2019. Amended by SR-FINRA-2016-039 eff. Feb. 5, 2018. Amended by SR-FINRA-2011-070 eff. Dec. 5, 2011. Adopted by SR-FINRA-2010-052 eff. Dec. 5, 2011.

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## 4513. Records of Written Customer Complaints

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(a) Each member shall keep and preserve in each office of supervisory jurisdiction either a separate file of all written customer complaints that relate to that office (including complaints that relate to activities supervised from that office) and action taken by the member, if any, or a separate record of such complaints and a clear reference to the files in that office containing the correspondence connected with such complaints. Rather than keep and preserve the customer complaint records required under this Rule at the office of supervisory jurisdiction, the member may choose to make them promptly available at that office, upon request of FINRA. Customer complaint records shall be preserved for a period of at least four years.

(b) For purposes of this Rule, "customer complaint" means any grievance by a customer or any person authorized to act on behalf of the customer involving the activities of the member or a person associated with the member in connection with the solicitation or execution of any transaction or the disposition of securities or funds of that customer.

Adopted by SR-FINRA-2010-052 eff. Dec. 5, 2011.

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## 4514. Authorization Records for Negotiable Instruments Drawn From a Customer's Account

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No member or person associated with a member shall obtain from a customer or submit for payment a check, draft or other form of negotiable paper drawn on a customer's checking, savings, share or similar account, without that person's express written authorization, which may include the customer's signature on the negotiable instrument. Where the written authorization is separate from the negotiable instrument, the member shall preserve the authorization for a period of three years following the date the authorization expires. This provision shall not, however, require members to preserve copies of negotiable instruments signed by customers.

Adopted by SR-FINRA-2010-052 eff. Dec. 5, 2011.

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4515. APPROVAL AND DOCUMENTATION OF CHANGES IN ACCOUNT NAME OR DESIGNATION >

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Before any customer order is executed, there must be placed upon the order form or other similar record of the member for each transaction, the name or designation of the account (or accounts) for which such order is to be executed. No change in such account name(s) (including related accounts) or designation(s) (including error accounts) shall be made unless the change has been authorized by a qualified and registered principal designated by the member. Such person must, prior to giving his or her approval of the account designation change, be personally informed of the essential facts relative thereto and indicate his or her approval of such change in writing on the order or other similar record of the member. The essential facts relied upon by the person approving the change must be documented in writing and preserved for the period of time and accessibility specified in SEA Rule 17a-4(b). With respect to any change that takes place prior to execution of the trade, the required approval and documentation must take place prior to execution.

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.01 Allocations of Orders Made by Investment Advisers. Members may accept orders from investment advisers as described below and allow such investment advisers to make allocations on their orders for customers on whose behalf the investment advisers submit the orders, provided that members receive specific account designations or customer names from such investment advisers by noon of the next business day following the trading session. This exception only applies where there is more than one customer for any particular order.

In addition, this exception applies to: (a) outside investment advisers; and (b) associated persons of a member who provide investment advisory services on behalf of a member acting as an investment adviser. However, in either instance, the investment adviser must be one who is registered under the Investment Advisers Act or who, but for Investment Advisers Act Section 203(b) or 203A, would be required to register under the Investment Advisers Act. It does not apply to accounts handled by individual registered representatives of members who otherwise exercise discretionary authority over accounts pursuant to Rule 3260. Nothing in this Rule or Supplementary Material may be construed as allowing a member knowingly to facilitate the allocation of orders from investment advisers in a manner other than in compliance with both (i) the investment adviser's intent at the time of trade execution to allocate shares on a percentage basis to the participating accounts and (ii) the investment adviser's fiduciary duty with respect to allocations for such participating accounts, including but not limited to allocations based on the performance of a transaction between the time of execution and the time of allocation.

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## 4517. Member Filing and Contact Information Requirements

- (a) Each member shall be required to file with FINRA, or otherwise submit to FINRA, in such electronic format as FINRA may require, all regulatory notices or other documents required to be filed or otherwise submitted to FINRA, as specified by FINRA.
- (b) Each member must identify, review and, if necessary, update its executive representative designation and contact information as required by Article IV, Section 3 of the FINRA By-Laws in the manner prescribed by this Rule.
- (c) Each member shall report and update to FINRA all contact information required by FINRA via the Firm Gateway or such other means as FINRA may specify.
  - (1) Each member shall update its required contact information promptly, but in any event not later than 30 days following any change in such information. In addition, each member shall review and, if necessary, update its required contact information within 17 business days after the end of each calendar year.
  - (2) Each member shall comply with any FINRA request for the required contact information promptly, but in any event not later than 15 days following the request, or such longer period that may be agreed to by FINRA staff.

Amended by SR-FINRA-2015-004 eff. Feb. 12, 2015. Amended by SR-NASD-2007-034 eff. Dec. 31, 2007. Amended by SR-NASD-2006-060 eff. Dec. 6, 2006. Adopted by SR-NASD-2003-184 eff. May 14, 2004.

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### 4518. Notification to FINRA in Connection with the JOBS Act

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A member shall notify FINRA, in a manner prescribed by FINRA:

(a) prior to engaging, for the first time, in a transaction involving the offer or sale of securities in reliance on Section 4(a)(6) of the Securities Act; or

(b) within 30 days of directly or indirectly controlling, or being controlled by or under common control with, a funding portal as defined pursuant to Rule 300(c)(2) of SEC Regulation Crowdfunding.

Adopted by SR-FINRA-2015-040 eff. Jan. 29, 2016.

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## 4521. Notifications, Questionnaires and Reports

The Rule

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- (a) Each carrying or clearing member shall submit to FINRA, or its designated agent, at such times as may be designated, or on an ongoing basis, in such form and within such time period as may be prescribed, such financial and operational information regarding the member or any of its correspondents as FINRA deems essential for the protection of investors and the public interest.
- (b) Every member approved by the SEC pursuant to SEA Rule 15c3-1 to use the alternative method of computing net capital contained in Appendix E to that Rule shall file such supplemental and alternative reports as may be prescribed by FINRA.
- (c) Each carrying or clearing member shall notify FINRA in writing, no more than 48 hours after its tentative net capital as computed pursuant to SEA Rule 15c3-1 has declined 20 percent or more from the amount reported in its most recent FOCUS Report or, if later, the most recent such notification filed with FINRA. For purposes of this paragraph, "tentative net capital as computed pursuant to SEA Rule 15c3-1" shall exclude withdrawals of capital previously approved by FINRA.
  - (d)(1) Unless otherwise permitted by FINRA in writing, members carrying margin accounts for customers are required to submit, on a settlement date basis, the information specified in paragraphs (d)(2)(A) and (d)(2)(B) of this Rule as of the last business day of the month. If a member has no information to submit, a report should be filed with a notation thereon to that effect. Reports are due as promptly as possible after the last business day of the month, but in no event later than the sixth business day of the following month. Members shall use such form as FINRA may prescribe for these reporting purposes.
    - (2) Each member carrying margin accounts for customers shall submit reports containing the following customer information:
      - (A) Total of all debit balances in securities margin accounts; and
      - (B) Total of all free credit balances in all cash accounts and all securities margin accounts.
    - (3) For purposes of this paragraph (d):
    - (A) Only free credit balances in cash and securities margin accounts shall be included in the member's report. Balances in short accounts and in special memorandum accounts (see Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System) shall not be considered as free credit balances.
    - (B) Reported debit or credit balance information shall not include the accounts of other FINRA members, or of the associated persons of the member submitting the report where such associated person's account is excluded from the definition of customer pursuant to SEA Rule 15c3-3.
- (e) Unless a specific temporary extension of time has been granted, there shall be imposed upon each member required to file any report, notification or information pursuant to this Rule, a late fee as set forth in Schedule A Section 4(g)(1) to the FINRA By-Laws.
- (f) For purposes of this Rule, any report filed pursuant to this Rule containing material inaccuracies shall be deemed not to have been filed until a corrected copy of the report has been resubmitted.

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.01 Members Operating Pursuant to the Exemptive Provisions of SEA Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i). For purposes of this Rule, all requirements that apply to a member that clears or carries customer accounts shall also apply to any member that, operating pursuant to the exemptive provisions of SEA Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i), either clears customer transactions pursuant to such exemptive provisions or holds customer funds in a bank account established thereunder.

Amended by SR-FINRA-2010-004 eff. Feb. 8, 2010. Adopted by SR-FINRA-2008-067 eff. Feb. 8, 2010.

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## 4522. Periodic Security Counts, Verifications and Comparisons

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- (a) Each member that is subject to the requirements of SEA Rule 17a-13 shall make the counts, examinations, verifications, comparisons and entries set forth in SEA Rule 17a-13.
- (b) Each carrying or clearing member subject to the requirements of SEA Rule 17a-13 shall make more frequent counts, examinations, verifications, comparisons and entries where prudent business practice would so require. In addition, each such carrying or clearing member shall:
  - (1) Receive position statements as frequently as good business practice requires, but no less than once per month with respect to securities held by clearing corporations, other organizations or custodians. Each such member shall at least once per month reconcile all such securities and money balances by comparison of the clearing corporations' or custodians' position statements to the member's books and records and promptly report differences to the contra organization and such differences shall be promptly resolved by both. Where there is a higher volume of activity, good business practice may require a more frequent exchange of statements and their reconciliation; and
  - (2) At a maximum of seven business days after each security count, enter all unresolved differences into a "Difference" account, for that security count. The Difference account shall identify the unverified securities and reflect the number of shares or principal amount long or the number of shares or principal amount short of each security difference and the date of the security count that disclosed such difference. Thereafter, any adjustment of a difference position shall be made by entry into such account.

Adopted by SR-FINRA-2010-061 eff. Aug. 1, 2011.

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## 4523. Assignment of Responsibility for General Ledger Accounts and Identification of Suspense Accounts

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- (a) Each member shall designate an associated person who shall be responsible for each general ledger bookkeeping account and account of like function used by the member and such associated person shall control and oversee entries into each such account and shall determine that the account is current and accurate as necessary to comply with all applicable FINRA rules and federal securities laws governing books and records and financial responsibility requirements. A supervisor shall, as frequently as is necessary considering the function of the account but, in any event, at least monthly, review each account to determine that it is current and accurate and that any items that become aged or uncertain as to resolution are promptly identified for research and possible transfer to a suspense account(s).
- (b) Each carrying or clearing member shall maintain a record of the names of the associated persons assigned primary and supervisory responsibility for each account as required by paragraph (a) of this Rule. All records made pursuant to this paragraph (b) shall be preserved for a period of not less than six years.
- (c) Each member must record, in an account that shall be clearly identified as a suspense account, money charges or credits and receipts or deliveries of securities whose ultimate disposition is pending determination. A record must be maintained of all information known with respect to each item so recorded. Such suspense accounts include, but are not limited to, DK fails, unidentified fails, unallocable securities receipts versus payment, returned deliveries, and any other receivable or payable (money or securities) "suspended" because of doubtful ownership, collectibility or deliverability. To the extent that suspense items can be distinguished by type, separate accounts may be used provided that the word "suspense" is made a prominent part of the account title. All records made pursuant to this paragraph shall be preserved for a period of not less than six years.

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- .01 Supervisory Responsibility. For the purposes of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Rule, each member with only one associated person may assign primary and supervisory responsibility for each account to that associated person, subject to applicable registration requirements. Members of limited size and resources that have more than one associated person may seek FINRA's prior written approval to assign primary and supervisory responsibility for each account to the same associated person.
- .02 Members Operating Pursuant to the Exemptive Provisions of SEA Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i). For purposes of this Rule, all requirements that apply to a member that clears or carries customer accounts shall also apply to any member that, operating pursuant to the exemptive provisions of SEA Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i), either clears customer transactions pursuant to such exemptive provisions or holds customer funds in a bank account established thereunder.

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### 4524. Supplemental FOCUS Information

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As a supplement to filing FOCUS reports required pursuant to SEA Rule 17a-5 and FINRA Rule 2010, each member, as FINRA shall designate, shall file such additional financial or operational schedules or reports as FINRA may deem necessary or appropriate for the protection of investors or in the public interest. The content of such schedules or reports, their format, and the timing and the frequency of such supplemental filings shall be specified in a Regulatory Notice (or similar communication) issued pursuant to this Rule. FINRA shall file with the SEC pursuant to Section 19(b) of the Exchange Act the content of any such Regulatory Notice (or similar communication) issued pursuant to this Rule.

Adopted by SR-FINRA-2011-064 eff. Feb. 28, 2012.

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### 4530. Reporting Requirements

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- (a) Each member shall promptly report to FINRA, but in any event not later than 30 calendar days, after the member knows or should have known of the existence of any of the following:
  - (1) the member or an associated person of the member:
  - (A) has been found to have violated any securities-, insurance-, commodities-, financial- or investment-related laws, rules, regulations or standards of conduct of any domestic or foreign regulatory body, self-regulatory organization or business or professional organization;
  - (B) is the subject of any written customer complaint involving allegations of theft or misappropriation of funds or securities or of forgery;
  - (C) is named as a defendant or respondent in any proceeding brought by a domestic or foreign regulatory body or self-regulatory organization alleging the violation of any provision of the Exchange Act, or of any other federal, state or foreign securities, insurance or commodities statute, or of any rule or regulation thereunder, or of any provision of the by-laws, rules or similar governing instruments of any securities, insurance or commodities domestic or foreign regulatory body or self-regulatory organization;
  - (D) is denied registration or is expelled, enjoined, directed to cease and desist, suspended or otherwise disciplined by any securities, insurance or commodities industry domestic or foreign regulatory body or self-regulatory organization or is denied membership or continued membership in any such self-regulatory organization; or is barred from becoming associated with any member of any such self-regulatory organization;
  - (E) is indicted, or convicted of, or pleads guilty to, or pleads no contest to, any felony; or any misdemeanor that involves the purchase or sale of any security, the taking of a false oath, the making of a false report, bribery, perjury, burglary, larceny, theft, robbery, extortion, forgery, counterfeiting, fraudulent concealment, embezzlement, fraudulent conversion, or misappropriation of funds, or securities, or a conspiracy to commit any of these offenses, or substantially equivalent activity in a domestic, military or foreign court;
  - (F) is a director, controlling stockholder, partner, officer or sole proprietor of, or an associated person with, a broker, dealer, investment company, investment advisor, underwriter or insurance company that was suspended, expelled or had its registration denied or revoked by any domestic or foreign regulatory body, jurisdiction or organization or is associated in such a capacity with a bank, trust company or other financial institution that was convicted of or pleaded no contest to, any felony or misdemeanor in a domestic or foreign court;
  - (G) is a defendant or respondent in any securities- or commodities-related civil litigation or arbitration, is a defendant or respondent in any financial-related insurance civil litigation or arbitration, or is the subject of any claim for damages by a customer, broker or dealer that relates to the provision of financial services or relates to a financial transaction, and such civil litigation, arbitration or claim for damages has been disposed of by judgment, award or settlement for an amount exceeding \$15,000. However, when the member is the defendant or respondent or is the subject of any claim for damages by a customer, broker or dealer, then the reporting to FINRA shall be required only when such judgment, award or settlement is for an amount exceeding \$25,000; or
  - (H) (i) is subject to a "statutory disqualification" as that term is defined in the Exchange Act; or (ii) is involved in the sale of any financial instrument, the provision of any investment advice or the financing of any such activities with any person that is subject to a "statutory disqualification" as that term is defined in the Exchange Act, provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply to activities with a member or an associated person that has been approved (or is otherwise permitted pursuant to FINRA rules and the federal securities laws) to be a member or to be associated with a member. The report shall include the name of the person subject to the statutory disqualification and details concerning the disqualification; or
  - (2) an associated person of the member is the subject of any disciplinary action taken by the member involving suspension, termination, the withholding of compensation or of any other remuneration in excess of \$2,500, the imposition of fines in excess of \$2,500 or is otherwise disciplined in any manner that would have a significant limitation on the individual's activities on a temporary or permanent basis.
- (b) Each member shall promptly report to FINRA, but in any event not later than 30 calendar days, after the member has concluded or reasonably should have concluded that an associated person of the member or the member itself has violated any securities-, insurance-,

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- (c) Each person associated with a member shall promptly report to the member the existence of any of the events set forth in paragraph (a)(1) of this Rule.
- (d) Each member shall report to FINRA statistical and summary information regarding written customer complaints in such detail as FINRA shall specify by the 15th day of the month following the calendar quarter in which customer complaints are received by the member.
- (e) Nothing contained in this Rule shall eliminate, reduce or otherwise abrogate the responsibilities of a member or person associated with a member to promptly disclose required information on the Forms BD, U4 or U5, as applicable, to make any other required filings or to respond to FINRA with respect to any customer complaint, examination or inquiry. In addition, members are required to comply with the reporting obligations under paragraphs (a), (b) and (d) of this Rule, regardless of whether the information is reported or disclosed pursuant to any other rule or requirement, including the requirements of the Form BD. However, a member need not report: (1) an event otherwise required to be reported under paragraph (a)(1) of this Rule if the member discloses the event on the Form U4, consistent with the requirements of that form, and indicates, in such manner and format that FINRA may require, that such disclosure satisfies the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this Rule, as applicable; or (2) an event otherwise required to be reported under paragraphs (a) or (b) of this Rule if the member discloses the event on the Form U5, consistent with the requirements of that form.
  - (f) Each member shall promptly file with FINRA copies of:
  - (1) any indictment, information or other criminal complaint or plea agreement for conduct reportable under paragraph (a)(1)(E) of this Rule;
  - (2) any complaint in which a member is named as a defendant or respondent in any securities- or commodities-related private civil litigation, or is named as a defendant or respondent in any financial-related insurance private civil litigation;
  - (3) any securities- or commodities-related arbitration claim, or financial-related insurance arbitration claim, filed against a member in any forum other than the FINRA Dispute Resolution forum;
  - (4) any indictment, information or other criminal complaint, any plea agreement, or any private civil complaint or arbitration claim against a person associated with a member that is reportable under question 14 on Form U4, irrespective of any dollar thresholds Form U4 imposes for notification, unless, in the case of an arbitration claim, the claim has been filed in the FINRA Dispute Resolution forum.
- (g) Members may file electronically, in such manner and format as specified by FINRA, the documents required by paragraph (f); provided, however, that the filings shall be accompanied by summary information regarding the documents in such detail as specified by FINRA.
- (h) Members shall not be required to comply separately with paragraph (f) in the event that any of the documents required by paragraph (f) have been the subject of a request by FINRA's Credentialing, Registration, Education and Disclosure staff, provided that the member produces those requested documents to the Credentialing, Registration, Education and Disclosure staff not later than 30 days after receipt of such request. This paragraph does not supersede any FINRA rule or policy that requires production of documents specified in paragraph (f) sooner than 30 days after receipt of a request by the Credentialing, Registration, Education and Disclosure staff.

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.01 Reporting of Firms' Conclusions of Violations. For purposes of paragraph (b) of this Rule, with respect to violative conduct by a member, FINRA expects a member to report only conduct that has widespread or potential widespread impact to the member, its customers or the markets, or conduct that arises from a material failure of the member's systems, policies or practices involving numerous customers, multiple errors or significant dollar amounts. With respect to violative conduct by an associated person, FINRA expects a member to report only conduct that has widespread or potential widespread impact to the member, its customers or the markets, conduct that has a significant monetary result with respect to a member(s), customer(s) or market(s), or multiple instances of any violative conduct. In addition, with respect to violative conduct by an associated person, the reporting obligation under paragraph (b) must be read in conjunction with the reporting obligation under paragraph (a)(2) of this Rule. If a member has concluded that an associated person has engaged in violative conduct and imposes the discipline set forth under paragraph (a)(2) of this Rule, then the member is required to report the event under paragraph (a)(2), and it need not report the event under paragraph (b).

.02 Firms' Conclusions of Violations versus External Findings. Members should be aware that paragraph (b) of this Rule is limited to situations where the member has concluded or reasonably should have concluded on its own that violative conduct has occurred. Paragraph (a)(1) (A) of this Rule is limited to situations where there has been a finding of violative conduct by an external body, such as a court, domestic or foreign regulatory body, self-regulatory organization or business or professional organization.

.03 Meaning of "Found." The term "found" as used in paragraph (a)(1)(A) of this Rule includes among other formal findings, adverse final actions, including consent decrees in which the respondent has neither admitted nor denied the findings, but does not include informal agreements, deficiency letters, examination reports, memoranda of understanding, cautionary actions, admonishments and similar informal resolutions of matters. For example, a Letter of Acceptance, Waiver and Consent or an Order Accepting an Offer of Settlement is considered an adverse final action. The term "found" also includes any formal finding, regardless of whether the finding will be appealed. The term "found" does not include a violation of a self-regulatory organization rule that has been designated as "minor" pursuant to a plan approved by the SEC, if the sanction imposed consists of a fine of \$2,500 or less, and if the sanctioned person does not contest the fine.

- .04 Meaning of "Regulatory Body." For purposes of this Rule, the term "regulatory body" refers to governmental regulatory bodies and authorized non-governmental regulatory bodies, such as the Financial Services Authority.
- .05 Reporting of Individual and Related Events. With respect to a reportable event under paragraphs (a) or (b) of this Rule, members should not report the same event under more than one paragraph or subparagraph. Members should report the event under the most appropriate paragraph or subparagraph. However, members should be aware that they may be required to report related events under more than one paragraph or subparagraph. For instance, if a member is named as a respondent in a proceeding brought by a self-regulatory organization alleging the violation of the self-regulatory organization's rules, the member would be required to report that event under paragraph (a)(1)(C) of this Rule. In addition, if the member subsequently is found to have violated the self-regulatory organization's rules, the member would be required to report that finding under paragraph (a)(1)(A) of this Rule.
- .06 Calculation of Monetary Thresholds. For purposes of paragraph (a)(1)(G) of this Rule, when determining the dollar amount that would require a report, members must include any attorneys fees and interest in the total amount. In addition if the parties are subject to "joint and several" liability, the amount for each party must be aggregated and reported, if above the dollar thresholds under paragraph (a)(1)(G), as if each party is separately liable for the aggregated amount. For instance, if two parties have "joint and several" liability for \$40,000, the amount reported would be \$40,000 for each party.
- .07 Former Associated Persons. For purposes of paragraphs (a), (b) and (d) of this Rule, members should report an event relating to a former associated person if the event occurred while the individual was associated with the member. A member is not required to report such an event where, based on its records or information available through Web CRD, the member cannot determine that the person was an associated person of the member.
- .08 Customer Complaints. For purposes of paragraph (a)(1)(B) of this Rule, a "customer" includes any person, other than a broker or dealer, with whom the member has engaged, or has sought to engage, in securities activities. Any written customer complaint reported under paragraph (a)(1) (B) of this Rule also must be reported pursuant to paragraph (d) of this Rule. For purposes of paragraph (d) of this Rule, with respect to a person, other than a broker or dealer, with whom the member has engaged in securities activities, the member must report any written grievance by such person involving the member or a person associated with the member. In addition, with respect to a person, other than a broker or dealer, with whom the member has sought to engage in securities activities, the member must report any securities-related written grievance by such person involving the member or a person associated with the member and any written complaint reportable under paragraph (a)(1)(B) of this Rule.
- .09 Financial Related. For purposes of this Rule, the term "financial related" means related to the provision of financial services.
- .10 Findings and Actions by FINRA. For purposes of paragraphs (a)(1)(A), (C) and (D) of this Rule only, members are not required to report findings and actions by FINRA.

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