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CME to List Nickel Strikes in the 2nd Quarterly for NASDAQ 100 and E-Mini NASDAQ 100 Options

CME will list additional nickel strikes in the NASDAQ 100 and the E-Mini NASDAQ 100 options contracts. The table below illustrates the amendments to be made. Rule language follows with additions underlined and deletions bracketed and struck out. These additional strikes will be available for trading on Friday, September 1st.

Options Contracts	Current Listings	As Amended on Sep. 1
NASDAQ 100	15% referencing Index, strikes divisible by 25; 7.5% referencing Index, strikes divisible by 5 added in lead March quarterly	15% referencing Index, strikes divisible by 25; 7.5% referencing Index, strikes divisible by 5 added in second March quarterly
E-Mini NASDAQ 100	Strikes divisible by 25 in a range of 100 index points; Strikes divisible by 5 in a range of 100 index points added in lead March quarterly	Strikes divisible by 25 in a range of 100 index points; Strikes divisible by 5 in a range of 100 index points added in second March quarterly

Chapter 357A

Options on NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

357A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the NASDAQ 100 futures.

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration of the March Quarterly futures contract and shall equal the daily settlement price of the nearest expiring NASDAQ 100 Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contracts. The index points are rounded to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 15 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 1500, 1525, 1550, etc.

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When a contract month becomes the second nearest [~~expiring~~] contract month, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 5 without remainder in a range of 7.5 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding range. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

Chapter 359A

Options on E-Mini NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

359A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract. At the commencement of trading, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 2000, 2025, 2050, etc, in a range of 100 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract.

When a contract month becomes the second nearest [~~expiring~~] contract month, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 5 without remainder in a range of 100 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

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