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# Adding Single Stock Futures to the After-hours Session

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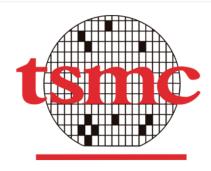
- In order to provide investors with a comprehensive hedging channel and more trading opportunities, TAIFEX continue to add products to after-hours session according to market demand.
- Taiwan's American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) are all electronic stocks and their prices are often affected by the U.S. technology stocks. The significant increase in the trading volume of Taiwan's ADRs reflects a demand for trading of the relevant securities during U.S. stock trading hours.
- TAIFEX plans to add single stock futures on the underlying securities with ADRs to the after-hours session, so as to fully unleash the potential of price discovery and hedging functions of the futures market.

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### Listed Products and Trading Hours

- Listed Products :
  - TSMC Futures(CDF)
  - Mini-TSMC Futures(QFF)
- Trading Hours
  - Day session : 8:45~13:45
  - <u>After-hours session : 17:25~05:00 the following day</u> (orders accepted 10 minutes prior to the session's open, and may not be changed or canceled in the last two minutes, only added)



# Link to Global Trading Hours

15 16 17 NYSE TSM ADR 16:00~21:30 21:30~04:00 04:00~08:00 TWSE TSMC Stock Q 09:00~13:30 **TAIFEX** TSMC Futures TAIFEX TSMC Futures 08:45~13:45 17:25~05:00 MIN

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# New Trading Practices Due to Single Stock Futures Characteristics

#### Practices of Night Trading In Response To Contract Adjustments

- Timing and handling method for single stock futures included in afterhours session to adjust the contract in accordance with corporate actions
  - Those that do not involve changing ticker symbol (such as distribution of cash dividends)
    - ✓ Contract adjustment method: adjust opening reference price (i.e. daily settlement price deduct the cash dividend), and adjust the buy-side and sell-side equity amount (the addition to the buy-side equity amount and the deduction from the sell-side equity amount).
    - Effective time: the contract adjustment will be made in the after-hours session preceding the effective date of contract adjustments(i.e. ex-dividend date), and the contract will still be traded in that after-hours session
  - Those involve changing ticker symbol (such as distribution of stock dividends, cash capital increase, capital reduction, merger, etc.)
    - Contract adjustment method: change the ticker symbol, adjust the underlying assets and the futures opening reference price.
    - Effective time: the contract adjustment will still be made in regular session on the effective date of contract adjustments, and the trading will be suspended in the after-hours session preceding the effective date of contract adjustments

#### Practices of Night Trading In Response To Spot Market Events

The handling method and timing of various spot market events for single stock futures included in after-hours session.

Spot Market Events	Futures Markets		
Spot Market Events	Handling Method	Effective Time	
Small Market Capitalization, Poor Stock Liquidity, Non-surviving Stock after a Merger, Stock Suspension of Margin Financing and Securities Lending, a Change of Trading Method	Suspension of the Listing of New Contract Months	Same as Current, effective in regular session	
Trading Suspension of Stock	Trading Suspension of Single Stock Futures	From the after-hours session preceding the trading suspension date of stock	
Trading Resumption of Stock	Trading Resumption of Single Stock Futures	Same as Current, effective in regular session of the trading resumption date of stock	
Delisting of Stock	Delisting of Single Stock Futures	Same as Current, all contract months will end in the regular session of the final trading day	

#### **Contract** Adjustment Sample--**Distribution** of Cash Dividends

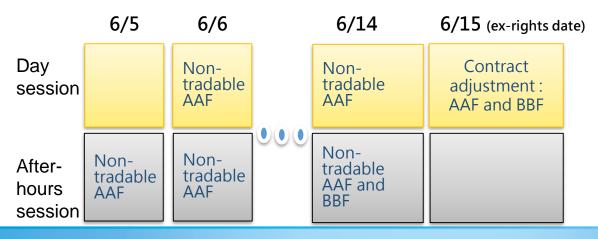
- Sample: Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. pays cash dividend on June 15<sup>th</sup>(ex-dividend date), \$3 per share. The daily settlement price of CDF June contract on June 14<sup>th</sup> is \$592.
  - Assuming CDF is eligible to night trading, <u>the contract adjustment will be</u> made in the after-hours session preceding the ex-dividend date (i.e. afterhours session begins on June14<sup>th</sup>).
  - Contract adjustment method : adjust opening reference price and adjust the buy-side and sell-side equity amount.

6/14	6/15 (ex-dividend date)	Items	Post Contract Adjustment
Day session	Day session	Ticker symbol	CDF(remains the same)
	The original contract adjustment will take effect before the market opens on 6/15	Opening reference price	589(=592-3)
Night session		Underlying asset	2,000 of ex-dividend TSMC stock
(1)The contract adjustment will take		Contract value	CDF futures price x 2,000
effect before the market opens on 6/14 night session (2)Remains trading		Equity adjustment	Buy-side equity addition : + \$6,000 (\$3x2,000 shares) Sell-side equity deduction : - \$6,000 (\$3x2,000 shares)

# Contract Adjustment Sample– Trading Suspended in the After-hours Session

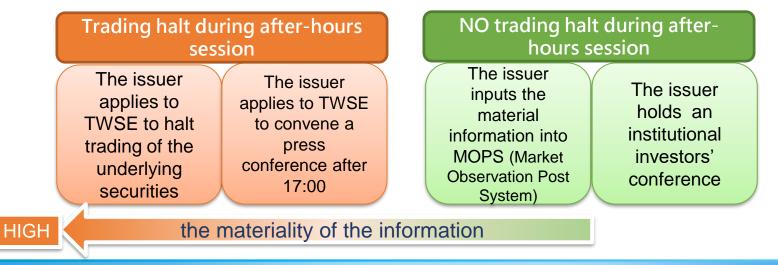
#### Example : Capital Reduction

- AA company conducts a capital reduction in connection with return of share capital and the capital reduction share exchange rate is 0.8 (i.e. 2,000 shares are replaced with new 1,600 shares). \$2 is returned per shares. From June 6<sup>th</sup> to June 14<sup>th</sup> stops trading and June 15<sup>th</sup> resumes trading.
- AA futures(AAF) contract adjustments same as current, effective on June 15<sup>th</sup>. <u>Trading will be suspended from the after-hours session that begins on June 5<sup>th</sup></u> <u>until June 15<sup>th</sup> when AA stocks resume trading</u>.
- Example : Distribution of Stock Dividends
  - BB company pays stock dividends on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 0.05 shares per share.
  - BB futures(BBF) contract adjustments same as current, effective on June 15<sup>th</sup>. <u>Trading will be suspended in the after-hours session that begins on June 14<sup>th</sup></u>



#### Practices of Night Trading In Response To Material News Release

- When the issuer of the underlying securities is about to release material news, in the interests of a fair and orderly market and to protect investors, TAIFEX may halt trading of the single stock futures during the after-hours session.
- According to Taiwan Stock Exchange Corporation (TWSE) "Procedures for Verification and Disclosure of Material Information of Companies with Listed Securities", there are different ways to handle the information depending on the materiality of the information. In order to ensure consistent management of material information in the futures and securities markets, the after-hours session will be halted according to the handling method of the securities market.

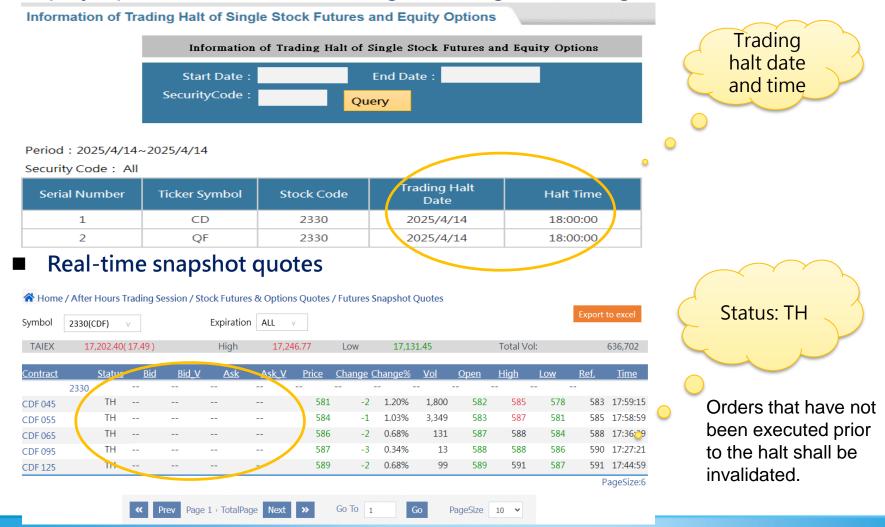


# Practices of Night Trading In Response To Material News Release(Cont.)

Scenario	Halt time	Example	
TWSE announces the trading halt of the underlying securities	<ul> <li>TAIFEX will follow the</li> </ul>	At 8:03 p.m. on June 26 <sup>th</sup> , TWSE announces that trading in AA stocks will be halted on June 27 <sup>th</sup> . In addition, trading of AA stocks will be resumed on June 28 <sup>th</sup> .	
securities	procedures to halt the trading of the single stock futures until the close of after-hours session upon receipt of such information.	Taifex halts AA futures night trading in accordance with the procedures upon receipt of the information. Day and night trading sessions on June 27 <sup>th</sup> are also halted until the resumption of trading on June 28 <sup>th</sup> .	
The issuer of the underlying securities applies to TWSE to	The halt time is subject to the TAIFEX's announcement	TAIFEX knows that AA company is about to hold a press conference at 6:30pm on June 26 <sup>th</sup> . TAIFEX will halt AA futures night trading according to the procedure after being informed	
convene a press conference after 17:00		<ul> <li>On June 27<sup>th</sup>, AA stocks will be normally traded and AA futures will be normally traded as well.</li> </ul>	
After trading			
halt	Handling • T	itops accepting trading orders rading orders that have not been executed prior to the halt hall be invalidated	

### **Information** Disclosure

Home > Market Data > Information of Trading Halt of Single Stock Futures and Equity Options > Information of Night Trading Halt of Single Stock Futures



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# Clearing

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### **Process of Clearing (1)**

#### **Daily/Expiration Date Settlement Process**

(the same as other contracts traded in the after-hours session)

• The settlement process of single stock futures contract only process on regular trading session.

#### Position Handling and Balance Calculating Process

(the same as other contracts traded in the after-hours session)

- The positions of single stock futures traded in the after-hours session will be included into the positions of the regular trading session.
- The application of position handling on the after-hours session shall be included into the following regular trading session
- FCM may query the trading contracts during the after-hours session and the balance of position during the regular trading session via Message Transport System.

### **Process of Clearing (2)**

 The Adjustment Procedure of Contracts (the same as ETF futures)

Scenario	Not trade in the after-hours session	Trade in the after-hours session
Cash dividend	<ol> <li>The lists are produced at <u>17:00</u> on the business day before the effective date</li> <li>The adjustments in terms of addition to long equity value and deduction from short equity value take effect before the opening of regular trading session on the effective date</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>The lists are produced in advance at</li> <li>✓ 15:30 (contract closing at 13:45)</li> <li>✓ 16:30 (contract closing at 16:15)</li> <li>The adjustments take effect before the opening of after- hours session on the business day before the effective date</li> </ol>
Stock dividend, cash capital increase, consolidation, capital reduction	The adjustment items such as ticker symbol and contract size are set around <u>17:00</u> on the business day before the effective date. The adjustments take effect before the opening of regular trading session on the effective date.	

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#### **TAIFEX Risk Control for Clearing Members**

#### Order Management Procedure (the same as ETF futures)

- The same as the regular session. The required clearing margin of new orders of the clearing member shall not exceed it's excess margin.
- The restriction of adding new positions: The required clearing margin for newly added positions of a clearing member exceeds the total amount of its excess clearing margin plus an amount up to 20% of the excess clearing margin at the deadline for depositing the post-trading margin call for the regular trading session.

#### Profit and Loss Calculation during the after-hours session (the same as ETF futures)

- Single stock futures are designated as one of the products exempted from liquidation on behalf of a principal in the after-hours session.
- Profit and Loss for daily transactions and open positions are both calculated based on the opening reference price of the after-hours session.



# FCMs Risk Control for Clients (1)

Designated as products exempted from liquidation on behalf of a principal in the after-hours session

	New Order	A FCM adopts the marked-to-market approach to calculate gains/loss and excess margins of the trader.
Products Exempted from Liquidation	Account's Equity < Maintenance Margin	<ul> <li>If the <u>account only retains open positions in</u> products exempted from liquidation on behalf of a principal,</li> <li>✓ FCM will <b>not</b> issue a high-risk-account notification</li> </ul>
	Risk Indicator <25%	<ul> <li>If the <u>account only retains open positions in</u> products exempted from liquidation on behalf of a principal,</li> <li>✓ FCM will <b>not</b> execute the liquidation process on such products</li> </ul>

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# FCMs Risk Control for Clients (2)

#### Margin Requirement

 Margining requirement during the after-hours session for Single Stock Futures = Daily Settlement Prices × Multiple of Contract × Margin Rate

Group	Clearing Margin Rate	Maintenance Margin Rate	Initial Margin Rate
Group 1	10.00%	10.35%	13.50%
Group 2	12.00%	12.42%	16.20%
Group 3	15.00%	15.53%	20.25%

✓ For single stock futures with risk parameters greater than 15%, TAIFEX will round up the actual computation result to the nearest hundredth and the rounded value will be used for clearing margin level.

- The maintenance margin and initial margin level will be calculated by adding a required mark up to the clearing margin level.
- If single stock futures contract adjustments take effect during the after-hours session, the margin is calculated based on the <u>opening reference price</u> for the current trading session.

#### Margin Adjustment

- Margin adjustment takes effect after the close of the next regular session following the announcement date.
- Adjusted margin applies to open positions remaining after the close of regular session for the day, as well as to new orders placed in the day's after-hours session.

