Proposed National Instruments

NI 93-101 Derivatives: Business Conduct

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NI 93-102 Derivatives: Registration

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Introduction

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NI 93-101 Derivatives: Business Conduct

Background

Objectives

- Business conduct regime that parallels securities regime in NI 31-103 but that is tailored for OTC derivatives
- Establish requirements for persons in the business of trading or advising on derivatives
- Two-tiered approach with increased protections where person receiving services is less sophisticated or has limited financial resources

Key concepts

- o Derivatives adviser
- Derivatives dealer
- Derivatives party
- Eligible derivatives party
 - Commercial hedger
- Affiliated entity



- Instrument applies to all persons that are derivatives advisers and dealers in a jurisdiction
 - Trade derivatives with or for a person or advise a person on derivatives in a jurisdiction
- Does not apply where
 - Only trade with or for a person or advise a person that is an affiliated entity
 - The derivatives dealer or adviser is a government, central bank or the BIS or IMF
- Exemption from requirements when dealing with an eligible derivatives party - Exempt from all requirements in the Instrument except
 - o Part 3, Division 1
 - o Sections 23 and 24

- o Subsection 27(1)
- o Part 5



- General obligations toward all (Part 3, Division 1)
 - o Fair dealing
 - Conflict of interest management
 - Derivatives-party identification
- Derivatives party accounts (Part 4, only 2 sections)
 - Basic asset segregation requirement (s. 24)
 - Basic trade confirmation requirement (s. 27(1))
- Compliance and recordkeeping (Part 5)
 - Compliance and risk-management systems
 - Senior manager duties
 - o Client/counterparties agreements
 - Recordkeeping



- Additional obligations/restrictions (Part 3, Div 2-3)
 - Derivatives-party-specific know-your-derivatives party
 - Product suitability
 - Permitted referral arrangements
 - Complaint handling
 - o Prohibition on tied selling
- Derivatives party accounts (Part 4)
 - o Relationship disclosure
 - Pre-trade disclosures
 - Report daily valuations
 - Notice by non-resident registrants
 - Holding, use and investment of assets
 - Transaction confirmations
 - Statements



- Fair dealing (s. 8)
- Conflict of interest management (s. 9)
- Know your derivatives party (s. 10)
- Asset segregation (s. 24)
- Transaction confirmations (s. 27(1))



- Compliance and risk-management systems (s. 30)
- Senior derivatives manager (s. 29)
 - Someone above the level of the trading desk but close enough to the day-to-day activity to know what's going on
- Senior derivatives manager duties (s. 31)
 - Supervision to ensure compliance
 - o Respond to non-compliance
 - Prepare compliance report
 - Submit report to the board (may be submitted through CCO)
- Firm self-reporting (s. 32)
 - o Firm must report material non-compliance to regulator



- Derivatives party agreement (s. 33)
 - Enter into agreements before transacting
- Recordkeeping (s. 34–35)
 - o General records, including of compliance
 - Transaction records



- Derivatives-party-specific needs and objectives (s.11)
- Suitability (s. 12)
- Referral arrangements (s. 13–15)
- Complaint handling (s. 16)
- Tied selling prohibition and disclosure (s. 17)

- Relationship disclosure (account opening) (s. 18)
- Pre-trade disclosure (s. 19)
- Daily/monthly valuations make available (s. 20)
- Notice by non-resident dealers/advisers (s. 21)

- Derivatives Party Assets (s. 22-26)
 - o Basic segregation (s. 24)
 - o Initial margin (s. 22, 25–26)
- Transaction confirmations (s. 27)
- Quarterly statements (s. 28)



Exemptions from the Instrument

- End Users (s. 37)
 - A person or company is exempt if it does not
 - Solicit/transact with non-EDP
 - Advise non-EDP (other than general advice)
 - Regularly make or offer to make a market
 - Regularly facilitate or intermediate transactions
 - Facilitate clearing through a qualifying clearing agency
 - Exclude activities with affiliates (except investment funds)
 - Not available if person or company is registered



Exemptions from Specific Requirements (Dealers)

- Foreign Derivatives Dealer (s. 38)
 - A foreign derivatives dealer from a jurisdiction listed in Appendix A is exempt if it
 - Does not solicit/transact with a non-EDP in the local jurisdiction
 - Is registered/licensed/authorized in the foreign jurisdiction
 - Is subject to and complies with foreign laws in Appendix A
 - Reports to the regulator material non-compliance with foreign laws
 - Additional conditions
- Investment Dealer (s. 39)
 - o Exempt from requirements in Appendix B if it complies with corresponding IIROC requirement and notifies regulator of material non-compliance
- Canadian Financial Institution (s. 40)
 - Exempt from requirements in Appendix C if it complies with corresponding prudential regulator requirement and notifies regulator of material noncompliance



Exemptions from Specific Requirements (Dealers)

- Derivatives Trading Facility (s. 41)
 - A derivatives firm is exempt from s. 10 (Know your derivatives party) and
 s. 27 (Content and delivery of transaction information) if
 - The transaction is on/subject to rules of the DTF
 - The transaction is submitted for clearing/accepted for clearing by a qualifying clearing agency
 - The firm does not know the identity of the derivatives party prior to execution
 - At the time of the transaction, the derivatives party is an EDP

Exemptions for Derivatives Advisers

- Advising Generally (s. 42)
 - Exemption for general advice that is not tailored
 - Disclose financial or other interest in recommended derivatives
- Foreign Derivatives Adviser (s. 43)
 - A foreign derivatives adviser from a jurisdiction listed in Appendix D is exempt if it
 - Does not provide advice to a non-EDP (other than general advice)
 - Is registered/licensed/authorized in the foreign jurisdiction
 - Is subject to and complies with foreign laws in Appendix D
 - Reports to the regulator material non-compliance with foreign laws
 - Additional conditions



Transitional

- Effective Date (s. 45)
 - o Except for sections 8 (Fair dealing), 20 (Daily reporting) and 28 (Derivatives party statements), the requirements in the Instrument will not apply to pre-existing derivatives if the derivatives firm has taken reasonable steps to determine that a derivatives party is a "permitted client", "accredited counterparty" or "qualified party".

NI 93-102 Derivatives: Registration

Background

- Objectives
 - Establish requirements for the registration of key participants in derivatives markets, that will
 - mitigate risks to market participants by weeding out individuals that are bad apples
 - ensure they have the necessary training and experience
 - Require firms to have adequate financial resources
 - Ensure firms have systems to ensure compliance and manage risk



- Key concepts largely the same as NI 93-101
 - Principal regulator reduce burden by having a principal point of contact in Canada
 - o Ultimate designed person, chief compliance officer, chief risk officer
 - Managed account
- Instrument does not apply to the governments, crown corporations whose accounts are consolidated with those of a government for accounting purposes, central banks, the BIS or IMF

- Basic requirement for a dealer or adviser to be registered comes from the various provincial Acts
- Additional registration triggers (s. 6)
 - o Transacting with or soliciting transactions with a person that is not an EDP
 - Providing clearing services to another person
- Registration categories for firms (s. 7–8)
 - Restricted derivatives dealer and restricted derivatives adviser
- Requirement to be an IIROC dealer member (s. 9)
 - If trade with or for an individual that is not an EDP



- Registration categories for individuals
 - o Derivatives dealing representative
 - o Derivatives advising representative
 - Derivatives ultimate designated person
 - o Derivatives chief compliance officer
 - Derivatives chief risk officer
- Exemption from registration as a representative
 - o If the individual only deals with or advises EDPs
 - If the individual is not a derivatives advising representative for a managed account



Requirements at a glance

- Maintain registration in a category appropriate to your activities (s. 6–8, 10–16, 19–25); join IIROC if transacting with individual non-EDPs (s. 9)
- Be proficient (s. 17–18)
- Designate a derivatives ultimate designated person, a derivatives chief compliance officer and a derivatives chief risk officer (s. 26-30)
 - o Each of which has specified duties
 - Must have access to the board
- Maintain prescribed capital (TBD) (s. 31)
- Submit to audits as required (s. 32–33)



Requirements at a glance

- Deliver financial statements (s. 34–37)
- Implement compliance and risk management systems (s. 38–39)
- Confirmations with DPs (s. 40)
- Valuations (s. 41)
- Dispute resolution (s. 42)
- Business continuity and disaster recovery (s. 43)
- Portfolio reconciliation (s. 44)
- Portfolio compression (s. 45)
- Recordkeeping (s. 46–47)



Proficiency requirements (s. 17–18)

- Firm must ensure individuals have education, training and experience that a reasonable person would consider necessary
- Additionally: prescribed CCO, CRO, UDP, and dealing and advising representative qualifications
 - o In each case, we have proposed a baseline for comment



Ultimate Designated Person (s. 27)

- Firm must designate a person who meets the requirements in (1)
- Supervise and promote compliance
- Report material non-compliance to the board
- Report material non-compliance to the regulator
- Access to board (s. 30)

Chief Compliance Officer (s. 28)

- Firm must designate a person who meets the requirements in (1)
- Policies and procedures designed to assess compliance
- Monitor and assess compliance
- Report material non-compliance to the UDP
- Annual compliance report to the board
- Access to board (s. 30)



Chief Risk Officer (s. 29)

- Firm must designate a person who meets the requirements in (1)
- Policies and procedures to assess and manage derivatives risks
- Monitor and assess compliance with risk management policies and procedures
- Report material non-compliance to the UDP
- Annual compliance report to the board
- Access to board (s. 30)



Financial, compliance, and risk management (s. 31–39)

- Capital requirements (s. 31)
- Audits (s. 32–33)
- Financial statements (s. 34–37)
- Compliance policies and procedures (s. 38)
- Risk management policies and procedures (s. 39)
 - Approved by board
 - Identify risks
 - o Establish risk tolerance limits and risk management requirements
 - Periodic review of risks and limits
 - Monitor compliance with risk policies & procedures
 - Periodic reporting to UDP and board
 - Reporting of material changes in risk exposure
 - o Independent review of RM systems



Interaction with clients and counterparties (s. 40–45)

- Confirmation of material terms after each transaction (s. 40)
- Written agreement for valuation process (s. 41)
- Disputes (s. 42)
- Portfolio reconciliation (s. 44)
- Portfolio compression (s. 45)

BCP/DR and Recordkeeping (s. 43, 46–47)

- Business continuity and disaster recovery (s. 43)
- Recordkeeping (s. 46–47)

Exemptions from Registration (Dealers)

- Not in the Business of Trading (s. 48)
 - In BC, MB and NB, a person or company is exempt if it does not
 - Engage in business of trading, as principal or agent
 - Solicit/transact with non-EDP
 - Regularly quote prices or otherwise make or offer to make a market
 - Regularly facilitate or intermediate transactions
 - Facilitate clearing through a qualifying clearing agency
- End-User (s. 49)
 - A person or company is exempt if it does not
 - Solicit/transact with non-EDP
 - Advise non-EDP (other than general advice)
 - Regularly make or offer to make a market
 - Regularly facilitate or intermediate transactions
 - Facilitate clearing through a qualifying clearing agency
 - Not available if person or company is registered



Exemptions from Registration (Dealers)

- Limited Notional Amount under Derivatives (s. 50)
 - Person or company does not solicit/transact with non-EDP
 - Person or company does not advise non-EDP (other than general advice)
 - \$250 million threshold
- Limited Notional Amount under Commodity
 Derivatives for Commodity Derivatives Dealer (s. 51)
 - Person or company does not solicit/transact with non-EDP
 - Person or company does not advise non-EDP (other than general advice)
 - o Person or company is only a derivatives dealer for commodity derivatives
 - o \$1 billion threshold
- Exemptions are not available if person or company is registered



Proposed Methodologies for Notional Amount

- Notional amount as a proxy for activity
- Thresholds based on (monetary) notional amount outstanding
- Converting a notional quantity to a monetary notional amount
- Request for comment:
 - Static, measured at outset, or Current, measured at each calculation
 - Proposed approaches for "price" & "quantity"



Exemptions from Registration (Dealers)

- Foreign Derivatives Dealer (s. 52)
 - A foreign derivatives dealer from a jurisdiction listed in Appendix B is exempt if it
 - Does not solicit/transact with a non-EDP
 - Is registered/licensed/authorized in the foreign jurisdiction
 - Is subject to and complies with foreign laws in Appendix B
 - Notifies the regulator of material non-compliance with foreign laws
 - Additional conditions



Exemptions from Registration (Advisers)

- Advising Generally (s. 57)
 - o Exemption for general advice that is not tailored
 - Disclose financial or other interest in recommended derivatives
- Dealer without Discretionary Authority (s. 58)
- Foreign Derivatives Adviser (s. 59)
 - A foreign derivatives adviser from a jurisdiction listed in Appendix G is exempt if it
 - Does not provide advice to a non-EDP (other than general advice)
 - Is registered/licensed/authorized in the foreign jurisdiction
 - Is subject to and complies with foreign laws in Appendix G
 - Notifies the regulator of material non-compliance with foreign laws
 - Additional conditions



Exemptions from Registration (both)

- Affiliated Entities (s. 53 & s. 60)
 - A person or company is exempt from the dealer registration requirement and the adviser registration requirement if it is only required to register because of activities with an affiliated entity
 - o Exemption is not available if the affiliated entity is an investment fund.

Exemptions from Specific Requirements (Dealers)

- Foreign Derivatives Dealer (s. 54)
 - A foreign derivatives dealer from a jurisdiction listed in Appendix D is exempt from a requirement specified in Appendix D if it
 - Is registered/licensed/authorized in the foreign jurisdiction
 - Is subject to and complies with foreign laws in Appendix D
 - Notifies the regulator of material non-compliance with foreign laws
 - Additional Conditions
- Investment Dealer (s. 55)
 - Exempt from requirements in Appendix E if it complies with the corresponding IIROC requirement.
- Canadian Financial Institution (s. 56)
 - Exempt from requirements in Appendix F if it complies with the corresponding prudential regulator requirement and notifies the regulator of material non-compliance



Exemptions from Specific Requirements (Advisers)

- Foreign Derivatives Adviser (s. 61)
 - A foreign derivatives adviser from a jurisdiction listed in Appendix H is exempt from a requirement specified in Appendix H if it
 - Is registered/licensed/authorized in the foreign jurisdiction
 - Is subject to and complies with foreign laws in Appendix H
 - Notifies the regulator of material non-compliance with foreign laws
 - Additional Conditions



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