

Introduction to Swap Dealer Requirements Training Course 2024

Course Outline and Provider Qualifications

This program complies with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's (CFTC) Statement of Acceptable Practices, National Futures Association (NFA) Rule 2-9 and NFA Interpretive Notice 9051, which require that Associated Persons (Aps) and other relevant persons at registered Swap Dealers receive periodic ethics training. It also addresses training requirements for NFA Compliance Rule 2-9(d): Swap Dealer and Major Swap Participant Supervision of the Use of Marketing Materials.

- I. Swaps Industry Structure and Rules
 - a. CFTC and NFA
 - b. Dodd-Frank
 - c. What is a Swap Dealer?
 - d. De Minimis Exception
 - e. Registration & NFA Membership
 - f. Principals & Associated Persons of Swap Dealers
 - g. Swap Dealer Aps: Statutory Disqualification
 - h. Swap Execution Facilities
 - i. Swap Data Repositories
- II. Swap Dealer Supervisory Systems & Internal Controls
 - a. Diligent Supervision Requirement
 - b. Diligent Supervision: Policies & Procedures
 - c. Supervision of non-U.S. Swap Dealers
 - d. Chief Compliance Officer / Officer Duties
 - e. Whistleblowers
- III. Acting Honestly & Fairly
 - a. Communications: Fair Dealing
 - b. Code of Ethics
 - c. Ethical Dilemmas
 - d. Promotional Materials: New NFA Requirements

- IV. Counterparty Considerations
 - a. Know Your Counterparty
 - b. Dealing with Special Entities
 - c. Swap Documentation Standards
 - d. Portfolio Reconciliation / Discrepancies / Compression
 - e. Swap Processing and Clearing
 - f. International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA) Protocols
 - g. Material Disclosures
 - h. Clearing Disclosures
 - i. Notice of Right to Segregate Initial Margin
- V. Avoiding Conflicts of Interest
 - a. Conflicts of Interest
 - b. Conflict Partitions
 - c. Research Analysts
 - d. Political Contributions
- VI. Just & Equitable Principles of Trade
 - a. Prohibition on Fraud, Deception or Manipulative Acts
 - b. False or Misleading Statements & Reports
 - c. Insider Trading
 - d. Confidential Treatment of Counterparty Information
 - e. Disruptive Trading
 - f. Wash Sales
 - g. Recordkeeping
 - h. Reporting
 - i. Risk Management Program (RMP)
 - j. Position Limits
 - k. Antitrust Considerations
 - l. Restrictions on Counterparty Clearing Relationships
 - m. Swap Dealer Clearing Member Requirements
 - n. Cross-Border Rules
- VII. Regulatory Cases
- VIII. Case Study
- IX. Quiz – (Questions 1 – 15) – Accept & Acknowledge

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