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# RE: PROPOSED CLARIFYING AMENDMENTS TO REGISTRATION AND PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

The Investment Industry Association of Canada (IIAC) is the national association comprising investment firms that provide products and services to Canadian investors.

Our members manufacture and distribute a variety of securities and provide a diverse array of portfolio management and advisory services.

The IIAC is an independent, constructive, and informed voice seeking to ensure healthy, growing, and compliant markets for investors.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed clarifying amendments to registration and proficiency requirements.

We acknowledge and appreciate the stated intent of the amendments is not to impose any operational cost.

Considering the volume and nature of the proposed amendments, we've enclosed, as Schedule A, the blacklined copy of the proposed amendments and added our comments for consideration. We'd be pleased to discuss them further with you.

We note that the proposed amendments were approved for public comment on June 28, 2023 but were published on August 31, 2023, with a short comment period ending October 2, 2023. We ask that in future, proposals be published immediately upon approval with a comment period of at least 90 days or more.

Respectfully submitted by:

**Investment Industry Association of Canada** 

# SERIES 1000 | INTERPRETATION AND PRINCIPLES RULES

# RULE 1200 | DEFINITIONS

# 1201. Definitions

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(2) The following terms have the meanings set out when used in the Corporation requirements:

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"designated Supervisor"	A Supervisor that the Dealer Member makes responsible for a supervisory role defined in the Corporation requirements, including a Supervisor responsible for:  (i) the supervision of futures contracts and futures contract options trading accounts under Part DE of Rule 32003900,  (ii) the supervision of options trading accounts under Part DE of Rule 32003900,  (iii) the supervision of discretionary accounts under Part EG of Rule 32003900,  (iv) the opening of new accounts and the supervision of account activity under Part B of Rule 3900,  (v) the supervision of managed accounts under Part G of Rule 3900,  (vi) the pre-approval of advertising, sales literature and correspondence under Part A of Rule 3600, and
	(vii) the supervision of <i>research reports</i> under Part B of Rule 3600.
"recognized foreign self-regulatory organization"	A foreign <u>regulatory organization, including a foreign</u> self-regulatory organization, which offers reciprocal treatment to Canadian applicants and which has been recognized by the <i>Corporation</i> as such.

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# SERIES 2000 | DEALER MEMBER ORGANIZATION AND INDIVIDUAL APPROVAL RULES

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RULE 2500 | DEALER MEMBER DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVES, AND APPROVAL OF INDIVIDUALS

#### 2501. Introduction

Rule 2500 sets out requirements for a Dealer Member's Directors and Executives including, its
 Chief Financial Officer, Chief Compliance Officer, and Ultimate Designated Person

 Persons.

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#### **PART A - DEALER MEMBER DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVES**

# 2502. General requirements for Directors

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- (2) At least 40% of the Dealer Member's Directors must:
  - (i) either:
    - (a) be actively engaged in the business of the Dealer Member and spend the majority of their time in the securities industry, except those on active government service, or who for health reasons are prevented from such active engagement, or
    - (b) occupy a position equivalent to an Executive or a Director at a related or affiliated firm registered with a securities regulatory authority, an affiliated foreign securities dealer or advisor, or an affiliated Canadian financial institution,
  - (ii) satisfy the applicable proficiency requirements of clause 2602(3)(xxxiii)xxix), and
  - iii) have at least five years'-of experience in the financial services industry, or such lessorlesser period as may be acceptable to the *Corporation*.

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# 2503. General requirements for Executives

(1) A Dealer Member's Executives must:

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- (ii) satisfy the applicable proficiency requirements of clause 2602(3)(xxviixxviii).
- (2) At least 60% of the Dealer Member's Executives must have at least five years of experience in the financial services industry, or such lessorlesser period as may be acceptable to the Corporation.

#### 2504. Exemption

 The Corporation may grant an exemption from any requirement or part of a requirement in sections 2502 or 2503 if it is satisfied that it would not harm the interests of the Dealer Member, its clients, the public or the *Corporation*. The exemption may be on any terms and conditions that the *Corporation* believes are necessary considers appropriate.

#### 2505. Chief Financial Officer

- (1) A Dealer Member must designate a Chief Financial Officer who must:
  - (i) be designated as an *Executive* and meet the general requirements for *Executives* set out in section 2503, and
  - (ii) satisfy the applicable proficiency and experience requirements set out inof clause 2602(3)(wikxxx).
- (4) When an acting *Chief Financial Officer* is designated:
  - (i) that *individual* must satisfy the applicable proficiency requirements of clause 2602(3)(xxixxxx) and be designated as *Chief Financial Officer*, or

# 2506. Chief Compliance Officer

- (1) A Dealer Member must designate a Chief Compliance Officer who must:
  - be designated as an Executive and meet the general requirements for Executives set out in section 2503, and
- (5) When an acting Chief Compliance Officer is designated:
  - (i) the *individual* must satisfy the applicable proficiency requirements of clause 2602(3)(\*\*\*x\*\*x\*x\*\*i) and be designated as *Chief Compliance Officer*, or

# 2507. Ultimate Designated Person

- (2) The Ultimate Designated Person must be:
  - (i) the chief executive officer of the *Dealer Member* or, if the *Dealer Member* does not have a chief executive officer, an individual an Executive acting in a capacity similar to a chief

executive officer, <u>provided it is acceptable to the Corporation</u>, and applicable relief is granted under the applicable National Instrument.

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If an individual who is approved as a Dealer Member's Ultimate Designated Person ceases to meet any of the conditions listed in subsections 2507(1) and 2507(2), the Dealer Member must immediately designate another qualified individual Executive to act as its Ultimate Designated Person or if unable to do so, promptly notify the Corporation of its plan to designate another qualified individual Executive as its Ultimate Designated Person.

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#### **PART B - APPROVAL OF INDIVIDUALS**

#### 2551. Individual approval

(1) An individual is not permitted to act as an Approved Person and a Dealer Member is not permitted to allow an individual to act as an Approved Person unless:

- the Dealer Member is registered or licensed (or exempt from such registration or licensing) in the appropriate category under securities laws in each jurisdiction in which clients of the Dealer Member reside or in which the Dealer Member carries on securities related business,
- (ii) the individual, if required to do so under securities laws, is registered or licensed (or exempt from such registration or licensing) in the appropriate category under securities laws in each jurisdiction in which clients of the individual reside or in which the individual carries on securities related business, and

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...If an Approved Person ceases to be approved by the Corporation, the former Approved Person must immediately cease any activity requiring Corporation approval.

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## 2552. Compliance with the proficiency requirements or other conditions

- (1) Each Approved Person must:
  - meet the applicable proficiency requirements set out in Rule 2600 before Corporation approval is granted, and
  - (ii) complete the applicable post-approval courseproficiency requirements of subsection 2602(3) after receiving Corporation approval.
- (2) The Corporation will automatically suspend an Approved Person if they do not complete all required the applicable post-approval courses proficiency requirements in the Approved Persons category as set out in Rule 2600.
- (3) The Corporation will reinstate an Approved Person once they have passed completed the required post-approval courses proficiency requirements and the Corporation has been notified.

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2553. Approval of Registered Representatives, Investment Representatives, Portfolio Managers and Associate Portfolio Managers and their obligations ...

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- (2) <u>An Associate Portfolio Manager must not advise on securities unless, before giving the advice, the advice has been pre-approved by the Portfolio Manager.</u>
- (3) A Registered Representative, Investment Representative, Portfolio Manager or Associate Portfolio Manager may not conduct on behalf of a Dealer Member, and a Dealer Member may not permit the Approved Person to conduct on its behalf, the type of business as set out in clause 2553(22553(3)(iv) and deal with a type of customer as set out in clauses 2553(22553(3)(iv) and deal with a type of customer as set out in clauses 2553(22553(3)(iv) and deal with the following:

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- (34) An individual applying for approval as a Registered Representative or Investment Representative dealing within mutual fund business funds only must comply with the applicable proficiency requirements in clauses 2602(3)(vi), 2602(3)(vii) or 2602(3)(xiii).
- (45) A<u>The post-approval proficiency requirements in clauses 2602(3)(vii) or 2602(3)(xiii) do not apply to a</u> Registered Representative or Investment Representative approved to deal with mutual funds only must comply with the following:
  - within 270 days of initial approval, successfully complete the Canadian Securities Course and the Conduct and Practices Handbook Course, and
  - (iii) complete the applicable training program required before approval for a Registered Representative in clause 2602(3)(i) or an Investment Representative in clause 2602(3)(viii) and the Dealer Member must notify the Corporation that the restriction to mutual funds only has been removed.
- (5) Clause 2553(4)(ii) does not apply to a Registered Representative or Investment Representative qualified to deal in mutual funds only who was approved prior to September 28, 2009 and registered in provinces or territories which allowed the individual to be restricted to mutual funds

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- only, provided they remain in the same restricted category of approval in the same provinces/territories.
- (6) -Subsection 2553(4) does not apply to a Registered Representative qualified to deal in mutual funds only who is an employee of a firm that is registered as both an investment dealer and a mutual fund dealer.
- (7) The approval of an individual qualified to conduct onlydeal in mutual fund business funds only is automatically suspended if the individual fails to satisfy the requirement in subsection 2553(4) until the individual has satisfied the requirements and notifies the Corporation post-approval requirements in clauses 2602(3)(vi) or 2602(3)(xiii) in accordance with subsections 2552(2) and 2552(3).
- (8) An Associate Portfolio Manager must not advise on securities unless, before giving the advice, the advice has been pre-approved by the Portfolio Manager.

# 2555. Approval of investors

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- (2) A *Dealer Member's Director* who, directly or indirectly, owns or controls a voting interest of a *Dealer Member* of 10% or more must satisfy the proficiency requirements of clause 2602(3)(\*\*\*x\*\*i\*\*x\*\*x\*\*i\*\*).
- (3) Any individual, other than a Dealer Member's Director, who:
  - (i) is actively engaged in the business of the Dealer Member, and
  - (ii) directly or indirectly owns or controls a voting interest in a *Dealer Member* of 10% or more,

must satisfy the proficiency requirements of clause 2602(3)(\*\*wexi\*\*ixxxii\*) applicable to approved investors.

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#### **RULE 2600 | PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS AND EXEMPTIONS FROM PROFICIENCIES**

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#### **PART A - PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS**

### 2602. Proficiency requirements for Approved Persons and approved investors

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- (2) The Dealer Member must ensure that an individual does not perform an activity that requires Corporation approval unless the individual has the education, training provided in accordance with section 1407, and experience that a reasonable person would consider necessary to perform the activity competently, including understanding the structure, features and risks of each security the individual recommends.
- (3) Each applicant in an Approved Person category or approved investor category must meet the proficiency requirements set out below for that category unless an exemption has been granted from the applicable proficiency requirements before the Corporation will grant approval. Unless otherwise stated, the Canadian Securities Institute administers the courses and examinations noted below.

# Registered Representatives Representative and Investment Representatives Representative Investment Representative dealing in futures contracts or and futures contract options with retail or institutional clients Associate Portfolio ManagersManager and Portfolio ManagersManager Associate Portfolio ManagersManager providing discretionary portfolio management for managed accounts Portfolio ManagersManager providing discretionary portfolio management for managed accounts Besignated SupervisorsSupervisor Supervisor designated to be responsible for the supervision of futures contract /and futures contract options accounts

	Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
	Register	red RepresentativesRepresentative and Inves	tment Representatives Representatives	resentative
(	, -	(a) (I) Either:	•-	•
	Representative	<ul> <li>(A) Canadian Securities</li> </ul>	(c) Completion of	(d) Six months of

Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
dealing with retail clients (other than Registered Representatives Representative dealing in options, futures contracts and futures contract options or dealingonly in mutual funds only)	Course or,  (B) Level I or any higher level of the CFA Program administered by the CFA Institute, and  (II) Conduct and Practices Handbook Course _ and  (III) 90-day training program after completion of the Canadian Securities Course or CFA Program Level I or any higher level. The Dealer Member must employ the applicant full time during this program.requirements in paragraph 2602(3)(i)(a)(i).  OR  New Entrants Course, if  or,  (b) If previously registered or approved with a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization in a similar capacity within three years before requesting approval, New Entrants Course.	Wealth Management Essentials Course within 30 months after <u>initial</u> approval date as a Registered Representative in accordance with subsection 2552(2).	supervision and supervisory reporting from initial approval date as a Registered Representative in accordance with section 3947.
(ii) Registered Representative dealing with institutional clients (other than Registered Representative dealing in options, futures contracts and futures contract options or dealingonly in mutual funds only)	(a) (I) Either:  (A) Canadian Securities  Course, or, (B) Level I or any higher level of the CFA Program administered by the CFA Institute, and, (II) Conduct and Practices Handbook Course, OR Or.  New Entrants Course, if(b) If previously registered or approved with with a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization in a similar capacity within three years		

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		before requesting approval <u>. New Entrants Course</u> .		
	Registered Representative dealing in options with retail clients	■ The proficiency requirements of a Registered Representative dealing with retail clients under  (a) (I) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(i)(a),  AND  and, (II) Either:  ■ Both the (A) Derivatives Fundamentals Course and the Options Licensing Course, or, (B) Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course, or, (B) Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course, and Options Licensing Course, if (b) If previously registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority in a similar capacity and dealing in options within three years before requesting approval: (I) New Entrants Course, and (II) Securities Industry Essentials Examination Exam administered by the Financial Industry	(c) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(i)(c).	(d) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(i)(d) in accordance with section 3947.
   		Regulatory Authority, and  (III) Series 7 Examination Exam administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.		
(iv)	Registered Representative dealing in options with institutional clients	The proficiency requirements of a  Registered Representative dealing with institutional clients under  [a] (I) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3) (ii)[a],  AND  Both the and (II) Either:		

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Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
	A Derivatives Fundamentals Course and the Options Licensing Course, or, B Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course, or, New Entrants Course, if (b) If previously registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority in a similar capacity and dealing in options within three years before requesting approval, and: New Entrants Course, New Entrants Course, M Securities Industry Essentials ExaminationExam administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and Series 7 ExaminationExam administered by the Financial		
(v) Registered Representative dealing with retail clients or institutional clients dealing in futures contracts orand futures contract options	Industry Regulatory Authority.    a		(d) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(i)(d) in accordance with section 3947 for those dealing with retail clients.
	Association in a similar capacity and dealing in futures within		

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		three years before requesting approval, <u>Series 3 Exam</u>		
		administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (on behalf of the National Futures Association).		
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I		after completion of the Canadian Securities Course or Canadian Investment Funds Course or Investment Funds in Canada Course.		
	(viii) Investment Representative dealing with retail clients (other than Investment Representative dealing in options, futures contracts and futures contract options or dealing only in mutual funds only)	(a) (I) Fither:  (A) Canadian Securities Course, or		(c) Six months of supervision and supervisory reporting from initial approval date as an Investment Representative in accordance with section 3947.
	(ix) Investment Representative dealing with institutional clients (other than Investment Representatives Representative dealing in options, futures contracts and futures contract	(a) (I) Either:  (A) Canadian Securities Course, or , (B) Level I or any higher level of the CFA Program administered by the CFA Institute, and , (II) Conduct and Practices Handbook Course,		

Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
options or dealing in <u>only in</u> mutual funds <del>only</del> )	OR  New Entrants Course, if  Or  (b) If previously registered or approved with a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization in a similar capacity within three years before requesting approval New Entrants Course.		
(x) Investment Representative dealing in option with retail client			(c) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(viii)(c) in accordance with section 3947.
(xi) Investment	1. The proficiency requirements for an		

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category  Representative dealing in options with institutional clients	Investment Representative dealing with institutional clients under  [a] (I) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(ix)(a),  AND  and, (II) Either:  Both the (A) Derivatives Fundamentals Course and the Options Licensing Course, or, (B) Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course, or, New Entrants Course, if (b) If previously registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory  Authority in a similar capacity and dealing in options within three years before requesting approval; New Entrants Course, and New Entrants Course, and Securities Industry Essentials Examination Exam	requirements	requirements
(xii) Investment Representative dealing in futures contracts or futures contract options with retail or institutional clients	by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and  (III) Series 7 ExaminationExam administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.  (a) Futures Licensing Course, and (b) Conduct and Practices Handbook Course AND and, (c) Any of the following:  (II) Derivatives Fundamentals Course Or (III) Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course,		(d) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(viii)(c) in accordance with section 3947 for those dealing with retail clients.

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		or <u>.</u> Series 3 Examination administered by		
		the Financial Industry Regulatory		
		Authority (on behalf of the		
		National Futures Association(III)		
		, if previously registered		
		with the National Futures		<u> </u>
		Association in a similar capacity		
		and dealing in futures within		
		three years before requesting		
		approval <u>, Series 3 Exam</u>		
		administered by the Financial		
		Industry Regulatory Authority		
		(on behalf of the National Future		
		<u>Association)</u> .		
(xiii) Inve	stment		◆ Canadian Securities	•
Repi	resentative	(a) Any of the following:	Course and Conduct	(c) The individual must
	ling <u>only</u> in	Canadian Securities Course	and Practices	upgrade to
	ual funds	or	Handbook Course	Investment
	who is an	<u>u</u>	(b) (I) Completion of	Representative
	oloyee of a		the requirements	within 18 months of
	registered as nvestment	<u>Requirements in sub-</u>	in sub-paragraph	initial approval <sub>=</sub>
	ler and not	paragraph	2602(3)(viii)(a)	
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-	ual fund	Canadian Investment Funds	and paragraph	
deal		Course administered by the	2602(3)(viii)(a)(I)	
		Investment Funds Institute of	within 270 days <del>of</del> after	
		Canada <u>,</u>	initial approval	
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		Course <u> </u>	and	
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			(II) Completion of	
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			training	
			program within	
			18 months	
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portfolio management for managed accounts	(II) Any of the following:  (A) _Canadian Investment		acceptable to the Corporation within three years before requesting approval.
	or biIf managing accounts inwith options:  - Both the Derivatives Fundamentals Course and the Options Licensing Course or Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course or New Entrants Course, if previously registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority in a similar capacity and dealing in options within three years before requesting approval, and Securities Industry Essentials Examination and Series 7 Examination		
	Examination and Series 7 Examination administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority  AND  (I) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(xiv)(a), and, (II) Either:  (A) Requirements in paragraph 2602(3)(iii)(a)(II),		

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	Or.  (B) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(iii)(b),  Or, (C) If managing accounts in with futures contracts/ and futures contract options;  * Tutures Licensing Course, AND  Derivatives Fundamentals Course  Or  Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course  Or  Series 3 Examination administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (on behalf of the National Futures Association), if previously registered with the National Futures  Association in a similar capacity  In Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(xiv)(a), and dealing in futures within three years before requesting approval, In Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(y)(c).  In Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(y)(c).		
(xv) Portfolio  Managers Ma nager providing discretionary portfolio management for managed accounts	(a) (I) Conduct and Practices Handbook		d _ If Canadian

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	or <u>,</u> <u>(C)</u> CFA Charter administered by the CFA Institute <u>,</u> AND		gained within the three years before requesting approval acceptable to the Corporation,
	or,		or, (e) If CFA Charter is completed, at least one year of relevant investment management experience within the three years before requesting approval acceptable to the Corporation.
	(I) Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(xv)(a), and, (II) Either:  [A] Requirements in paragraph 2602(3)(iii)(a)(II), or, [B] Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(iii)(b), or, (c) If managing accounts in whith futures contracts/ and futures contract options:  Tutures Licensing Course  AND		

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		Derivatives Fundamentals Course     or     Derivatives Fundamentals and Options     Licensing Course     or     Series 3 Examination administered by     the Financial Industry Regulatory		
		Authority (on behalf of the National Futures Association) if previously registered with National Futures Association in a similar capacity  M_Requirements in sub-clause		
		2602(3)(xv)(a),  M Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(v)(a),  and dealing in futures within three years before requesting approval,		
Trade	<u>r</u>	M Requirements in sub-clause 2602(3)(v)(c).		
(xvi)	Trader	Traders  (a) Trader Training Course, unless otherwise determined by the Marketplace on which the Trader will be trading.		
(xvii)	Trader on the Montréal Exchange	(a) Proficiency requirements determined to be acceptable by the Montréal Exchange.		
Super	visorsSupervisor – R	tetail or Institutional		
(xviii)	Supervisor of Registered Representatives or Investment Representatives (other than supervising options or futures contracts and	and, (b) (1) Either:  (a) Canadian Securities Course (A) Course (A		Two years of relevant experience working for an investment dealer.  or  (e) Two years of relevant experience working for a

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options)		(B) _CFA Level I or any higher level of the CFA Program administered by the CFA Institute and and and and and and and and are course.  * (II) Conduct and Practices Handbook Course or and		Mutual Fund Dealer  Member, portfolio manager, or an entity governed by a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or (f) Such other equivalent experience acceptable to the Corporation.
(xix) Supervision Registeria Represer or Investing Represer dealing clients in	ed ntatives tment ntatives with	(a) Options Supervisors Course, and, (b) Either: (i) (A) Conduct and Practices Handbook Course, AND  and, (B) Either:  Both the (i) Derivatives Fundamentals Course and the Options Licensing Course, or, (ii) Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course, or, New Entrants Course, if(II) If previously registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority or an investment		Two years of relevant experience working for an investment dealer.  Two years of relevant experience working for a Mutual Fund Dealer Member, portfolio manager, or an entity governed by a recognized foreign seff-regulatory organization, or .  Such other equivalent experience acceptable to the Corporation.
		dealer   and dealing in options     within three years before		

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Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
	requesting approval:  (A) New Entrants Course, and (B) Securities Industry Essentials  Examination Exam [administered] by the  Financial Industry Regulatory		
	Authority, and  (C) Series 7 Examination Exam administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.		
(xx) Supervisor of Registered Representatives or Investment Representatives dealing with clients in futures contracts and futures contract options	and 2  (a) _Canadian Commodity Supervisors     Exam, and 2  (b) (1) Futures Licensing Course, and  (II) _Conduct and Practices Handbook     Course  AND, and, (III) _Any of the following:		relevant experience working for an investment dealer.  or  di Two years of relevant experience working for a Mutual Fund Dealer Member, portfolio manager or an entity governed by a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or .  e Such other equivalent experience acceptable to the Corporation.

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Ē	Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
		<u>Futures Association)</u>		
Design	nated Supervisors			
(xxi)	Supervisor designated to be responsible for the opening of new accounts and account supervision of accountand activity related policies and procedures	(a) Investment Dealer Supervisors Course		(b)Two years of relevant experience working for an investment dealer  or  (c)Two years of relevant experience working for a Mutual Fund Dealer Member. portfolio manager. or an entity governed by a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization  or{
(xxii)	Supervisor designated to be responsible for the supervision of discretionary accounts	(a) Investment Dealer Supervisors Course,		(b) Two years of relevant experience working for an investment dealer, or compared to the comp

Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
			acceptable to the Corporation.
(xxiii) Supervisor designated to be responsible for the supervision of managed accounts	(a) Investment Dealer Supervisors Course, and (b) Any of the following:  • (I) Canadian Investment Manager Designation.  or (III) CFA Charter administered by the CFA Institute  AND  • (c) If supervising managed accounts inwith options, the applicable proficiency requirements to trade and supervise options, as specified under: (I) Requirements in sub-clauses 2602(3)(xxiii)(b), and, (II) Requirements in clause 2602(3)(xiii)xxiiv).  AND  • (d) If supervising managed accounts inwith futures contracts and futures contract options, the applicable proficiencies to trade and supervise futures, as specified under: (i) Requirements in sub-clauses 2602(3)(xxiii)(a) and 2602(3)(xxiii)(b), and, (II) Requirements in sub-clauses 2602(3)(xxiii)(b), and 10) Requirements in clause 2602(3)(xxiii)(b), and (II) Requirements in clause 2602(3)(xxiii)(b), and (II) Requirements in clause 2602(3)(xxiii)(b),		t-Tf completed Canadian Investment Manager Designation or Chartered Investment Manager Designation: at least four (e) Two years of relevant experience working for an investment management experience; one year of which was gained within the three dealer, (f) Two years before requesting approval or If completed CFA Charter: at least one year of relevant investment management experience within the three years before requesting approval working for a Mutual Fund Dealer Member, a portfolio manager or an entity governed by a recognized foreign regulatory organization, or, (g) Such other equivalent experience acceptable to the Corporation.

Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after  Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
(xxiv) Supervisor designated to be responsible for the supervision of options accounts	a Options Supervisors Course, and  Both  (b) Any of the following:  Derivatives Fundamentals Course and the Options Licensing Course  or  Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course, or, New Entrants Course, if (III) If previously registered with the	TSQUITE/ITE	Two years of relevant experience working for an investment dealer or levant experience working for a Mutual Fund Dealer Member, portfolio manager, or an entity governed by a recognized foreign
	Financial Industry Regulatory Authority or an investment dealer and dealing in options within three years before requesting approval:  (A) New Entrants Course, and (B) Securities Industry Essentials Examination Exam administered by the		self-regulatory organization, or . elSuch other equivalent experience acceptable to the Corporation.
(xxv) Supervisor   designated to be   responsible for   the supervision   of futures   contract ≠ and   futures contract   options accounts	Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and, (C) Series 7 ExaminationExam administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.  a Canadian Commodity Supervisors Exam, and (b) Futures Licensing Course, AND and, (c) Any of the following:  a (II) Derivatives Fundamentals Course, Or (III) Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course,		Two years of relevant experience working for an investment dealer.  Two years of relevant supervisory or compliance experience working for a Mutual Fund Dealer Member, portfolio manager,

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Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
	or , Series 3 Examination administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (on behalf of the National Futures Association) if (III) If previously registered with the National Futures Association or an investment dealer and dealing in futures within three years before requesting approval, the Series 3 Exam administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (on behalf of the National Futures Association).		or an entity governed by a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or  (f) Such other equivalent experience acceptable to the Corporation
(xxvi) Supervisor designated to be responsible for the pre-approval of advertising, sales literature and correspondence	(a) Investment Dealer Supervisors Course		Two years of relevant experience working for an investment dealer, or a more working for a Mutual Fund Dealer Member, portfolio manager, or an entity governed by a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or , such other equivalent experience acceptable to the Corporation.
(xxvii) Supervisor designated to be responsible for the	(a) Conduct and Practices Handbook  Course,  and,  Three levels(b) Any of the		(c) Two years of relevant experience working for an
supervision of research reports	following: (i) CFA Level II or higher of the CFA Charter Program		investment dealer or registered advisor, (d) Two years of relevant experience working for an

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Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
	administered by the CFA Institute  [II] Partners, Directors and Senior Officers Course, [III] Investment Dealer Supervisor Course,  OT (IV) If previously registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority within three years before requesting approval: (A) Securities Industry Essentials Exam and Series 86/87 Exam administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Or , Other appropriate qualifications acceptable to the Corporation(B) Series 16 Exam administered by the Financial Industry Regulatory		entity governed by a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or  (e) Such other equivalent experience acceptable to the Corporation
Executive and Director	<u>Authority</u> .		
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(xxviii) Executive (including Ultimate Designated Person)	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □		(b) Experience in accordance with subsection 2503(2), if applicable.
(xxix) Director	An industry Director must complete:  Partners, Directors and Senior Officers Course, AND  Ti seeking approval in a trading or		(b) Experience in accordance with clause 2502(2)(iii), if applicable.

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l	Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other <u>proficiency related</u> requirements
		advising category, the applicable proficiency requirements in that category,  AND  Tif seeking approval as a Supervisor, the applicable proficiency requirements in that category		
		A non-industry Director that owns or controls a voting interest of 10% or more, directly or indirectly, must complete:  The (a) Partners, Directors and Senior Officers Course;		
	(xxx) Chief Financial Officer	Partners, Directors and Senior Officers Course and,      Chief Financial Officers Qualifying Examination      The Seeking approval in a trading or advising category, the applicable proficiency requirements in that category,  AND  If seeking approval as a Supervisor, the applicable proficiency requirements in that category.		• - (c) A financial accounting designation, finance related university degree or diploma or equivalent work experience as may be acceptable to the Corporation.
	(xxxi) Chief Compliance Officer	■ Partners, Directors and Senior Officers Course, and, LDD Chief Compliance Officers Qualifying Examination. AND ■ If seeking approval in a trading or advising category, the applicable proficiency requirements in that category, AND		Five years working for an investment dealer or registered advisor, with at least three years in a compliance or supervisory capacity, or ,   [d] Three years providing professional

Approved PersonsPerson category	Courses completed before Pre-approval requirements	Courses to be completed after Post-approval requirements	Experience and other proficiency related requirements
	If seeking approval as a Supervisor, the applicable proficiency requirements in that category		services in the securities industry, with at least 12 months experience working at an investment dealer or registered advisor in a compliance or supervisory capacity.
Approved investor			
(xxxii)  approvedApprov ed investor (under subsections 2555(2) and 2555(3))	(a) Partners, Directors and Senior Officers Course		

#### **PART B - EXEMPTIONS FROM PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS**

# 2625. Specific exemptions

- (1) A Chief Compliance Officer seeking approval as a Supervisor of a producing Supervisor will not be required to complete seempt from the proficiencies required under 2602(3)(xviii) for the purposes of being approved in this capacity, if the producing Supervisor is an Approved Person who is:
  - (i) a Supervisor of a Registered Representative or Investment Representative and
  - (ii) actively engaged as a Registered Representative dealing with retail clients.
- (2) An applicant seeking approval as a *Supervisor* in relation to activities of *individuals* approved to deal in mutual funds only, including those in subsections 2603(1) and 2603(2), is exempt from the pre-approval course requirements in clauses 2602(3)(xviii) and 2602(3)(xxi) provided the *individual*:
- (3) With the exception of *individuals* who were required to transition to the *Portfolio Manager* and *Associate Portfolio Manager* approval categories , *individuals* approved prior to December 31, 2021 are exempt from any new proficiency requirements introduced as at December 31, 2021 in subsection 2602(3), provided the *Approved Person* continues in the same role.

# 2626. General and discretionary exemptions

- (1) The Corporation may exempt any person or class of persons from the any proficiency requirement to write or rewrite any required course, in whole or in part, if the applicant demonstrates adequate acceptable alternative experience, and/or successful completion of alternative courses or examinations that to the Corporation, in its opinion, determines is an acceptable alternative to the required proficiency.
- (2) This exemption may be subject to any terms and conditions the Corporation believes necessaryconsiders appropriate.

# 2627. Exemptions from writing completing the required courses

As set out in the table below, an applicant or Approved Person is exempt from writingcompleting
a required course if the applicant meets the applicable exemption criteria.

Required course	Course required for exemption	Exemption criteria
( <u>i)(a)</u> 90-day Training Program	( <u>b)</u> none	(c) Request approval within three years of being approved or registered in a capacity allowing trading of, or advising in, securities for retail clients either:  • (1) by a recognized foreign regulatory authority or recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or  • (11) as an advising representative or
		associate advising representative by a Canadian securities regulatory authority
(ii)(a) 30-day Training Program	( <u>b)</u> none	(c) Request approval within three years of being approved or registered in a capacity allowing trading of, or advising in, securities for retail clients either:
		• (1) by a recognized foreign regulatory authority or recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or
		• (II) as an <u>advising representative or</u> <u>associate</u> advising representative by a Canadian securities regulatory authority

#### 2628. Course validity and exemptions from rewriting or repeating courses

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- (2) An applicant for approval must rewrite <u>or repeat</u> a course if the applicant has not been approved in a category listed in subsection 2602(3) <u>or registered by a Canadian securities regulatory</u> <u>authority</u> in a similar category requiring the course within the last three years.
- (3) The courses and examinations listed in Rule 2600 includes every prior examination examination, provided that it does they do not have a significantly reduced scope and content when compared to the course or examination listed in Rule 2600, as determined by the Corporation.
- (4) For the purposes of determining course validity, an *Approved Person* is not considered to have been approved during any period in which the *Approved Person's* approval was suspended or the *individual* was on leave or otherwise not conducting any activities requiring *Corporation* approval on behalf of the *Dealer Member*.

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(6) An individual is exempt from rewriting or repeating the courses as set out in the table below if the individual has met the current status criteria and exemption criteria.

Course	Individual's current status	Exemption criteria
(i)(a) Partners, Directors and Senior Officers Course	(b) has previously been approved as an officer (prior to September 28, 2009) and surrendered registration with the introduction of the Corporation approval category of Executive	(c) applicant for approval who has maintained continuous employment with a <i>Dealer Member</i> in a senior capacity and remained in the corporate registry of a <i>Dealer Member</i> as an <i>officer</i> since September 28, 2009
(ii)(a) Chief Financial Officers Qualifying Examination	(b) has never been approved as a Chief Financial Officer	← the  (c) applicant for approval has demonstrated to the Corporation's satisfaction that the applicant has been working closely with and assisting the Chief Financial Officer since the completion of the Chief Financial Officers Qualifying Examination

Course	Individual's current status	Exemption criteria
(iii)(a) Derivatives Fundamentals Course	(b) an applicant for approval or Approved Person who will be dealing with clients in futures contracts, or futures contract options or supervising Approved Persons who deal with such clients	(c) applicant seeking approval or filing a notice within three years of passing the Futures Licensing Course or the Canadian Commodity Supervisors Exam
( <u>iv)(a)</u> Derivatives Fundamentals Course	(b) an applicant for approval or an Approved Person dealing with clients, in options, or supervising Approved Persons who deal with such clients	( <u>c</u> ) applicant seeking approval or filing a notice within three years of completing the Options Licensing Course or the Options Supervisors Course
(v)(a) Derivatives Fundamentals and Options Licensing Course	(b) an applicant for approval or an Approved Person dealing with clients, in options, or supervising Approved Persons who deal with such clients	(c) applicant seeking approval or filing a notice within three years of completing the Options Licensing Course
(vi)(a) Wealth Management Essentials Course	(b) an applicant for approval or <i>Approved Person</i> who will be dealing with <i>retail clients</i> in securities	(c) applicant seeking approval or filing a notice within three years of completing all three levels of the CFA Program or the CFA Charter administered by the CFA Institute which continues to be in good standing

(vii)(a) 90-day Training Program	(b) an applicant for approval or Approved Person	Applicants(c) applicant seeking approval or filing a notice within three years of being approved or registered in a capacity allowing trading of, or advising in, securities for retail clients either:
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Course	Individual's current status	Exemption criteria
		• (1) by a recognized foreign regulatory authority or recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or • (11) as an advising representative or associate advising representative by a securities regulatory authority
(viii)(a) 30-day Training Program	•— (b) an applicant for approval or Approved Person	Applicants(c) applicant seeking approval or filing a notice within three years of being approved or registered in a capacity allowing trading of, or advising in, securities for retail clients either:
		• (I) by a recognized foreign regulatory authority or recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or
		• (II) as an <u>advising</u> <u>representative or associate</u> advising representative by a securities regulatory authority

# 2630. Transition of Advising Representatives and Associate Advising Representatives into the Portfolio Manager and Associate Portfolio Manager approval category

(1) An individual registered as an advising representative or associate advising representative by a securities regulatory authority within the two weeks90 days prior to the date of approval application as a Portfolio Manager or Associate Portfolio Manager by the Corporation has three months to complete the Conduct and Practices Handbook Course.

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#### **PART C - TRANSITION PROVISIONS**

# 2631. Transition of individuals dealing in mutual funds only

- (1)—For the purpose of complying with the requirements in clause 2602(3)(vi) or clause 2602(3)(xiii),
  - (i) —an individual approved as a Registered Representative dealing in mutual funds only, or an Investment Representative dealing in mutual funds only as of the date these Rules come into effect, will have 270 days to complete the Conduct and Practices Handbook Course (and, if required, the Canadian Securities Course) unless the individual is subject to a shorter period of time to complete this course (these courses) as of the date these Rules come into effect.
- (ii) an individual approved as a dealing representative for a mutual fund dealer within 90 days prior to the date these Rules come into effect, will have 270 days from the date of approval as a Registered Representative dealing in mutual funds only, or an Investment Representative dealing in mutual funds only, after the date of approval by the Corporation to complete the Conduct and Practices Handbook Course.

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# RULE 2700 | CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVED PERSONS

# PART A - THE CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM AND CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

#### 2703. The continuing education program

- (1) The continuing education program consists of two parts:
  - a compliance course <u>requirement</u>, which is training covering ethical issues, regulatory developments and rules governing investment dealer conduct, and
  - (ii) a professional development course <u>requirement</u>, which is training that fosters learning and development in areas relevant to investment dealer business.
- (5) A continuing education participant is exempt from the professional development course requirement if he or she:
  - (i) is approved in the category of *Registered Representative*, <u>Associate Portfolio Manager</u>, <u>Portfolio Manager</u> or *Supervisor*, and
  - (ii) has been continuously approved in a retail trading capacity since January 1, 1990 or earlier by either the Corporation, the Toronto Stock Exchange, the Montreal Exchange, or the TSX Venture Exchange including any of itstheir predecessors.
- (6) A continuing education participant cannot receive continuing education credits for the same continuing education course unless the course has been updated to contain new course content, with the exception of <u>Corporation accredited</u> ethics courses referred to in subsection 2715(3).

# 2704. Continuing education requirements

(1) In each continuing education program cycle, a continuing education participant must meet the continuing education requirements for the applicable Approved Person category, regardless of product type, as set out in the following table. **Commented [IIAC20]:** Need not be limited to retail trading

Approved Person Category	Client Type	Compliance course requirement	Professional developmen t requirement
Supervisor designated to be responsible for the supervision of futures contract and futures contract options accounts	retail client or institutional client	Yes	No
Supervisor designated to be responsible for the opening of new accounts and account supervision of account and	retail client or institutional client	Yes	No

Approved Person Category	Client Type	Compliance course requirement	Professional development requirement
activity <u>related policies and</u> <u>procedures</u>			

- (4) All *continuing education participants* must complete at least 10 hours of compliance courses in each *continuing education program* cycle in accordance with requirements in section 2715.
- (5) A continuing education participant that is subject to professional development requirements must complete at least 20 hours of professional development courses in each continuing education program cycle in accordance with requirements in section 2716.

# PART B - CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM COURSES AND ADMINISTRATION

#### 2715. The compliance course

(3) The Corporation will publish a list of approved accredit ethics courses that a continuing education participant can repeat and count towards fulfillment of the compliance course requirement in two continuing education program cycles.

#### 2716. The professional development course

- 1) A continuing education participant subject to the professional development requirement:
  - (i) may, upon satisfying professional development requirements in the current cycle, carry forward a maximum of 10 hours of a single professional development course of at least 20 hours and completed in the last six months of the current continuing education program cycle to satisfy a portion of his or her professional development course requirement in the following continuing education program cycle,
  - (ii) may receive continuing education credit for successful completion of the Wealth Management Essentials Course, where completed to satisfy the post-licensingapproval proficiency requirement for Registered Representatives dealing with retail clients, in the continuing education program cycle in which the course is completed, and

#### 2717. Dealer Member's administration of the continuing education program

- (1) A Dealer Member must:
  - (i) <u>verify the continuing education participant's compliance with the requirements at</u> the end of the continuing education program cycle,

- (iii) keep evidence of a continuing education participant's completion of the continuing education course, which may be a certificate issued by the course provider, an attendance sheet, or bulk notice of completion,
- (#iii) verify completion of a continuing education course and keep continuing education program records, including course related materials, for each continuing education program cycle for a minimum of seven years following the end of the continuing education program cycle,
- (Hiiv) designate an individual responsible for supervising training and approving a continuing education participant's chosen continuing education course,
- (ivg) ensure that a continuing education participant's chosen continuing education course satisfies the content criteria described in subsection 2703(1),
- (<u>vui</u>) where the continuing education course is delivered by the Dealer Member, evaluate a continuing education participant's knowledge and understanding of the course,
- (vivi) ensure that each continuing education participant meets the continuing education requirements during each continuing education program cycle, and
- (viviii) update the continuing education reporting system and notify the Corporation within 10 business days after the end of the continuing education program cycle of all continuing education participants that have met their continuing education requirements in within the continuing education program prescribed cycle.

# PART C - PARTICIPATION IN THE CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM

# 2725. Participation of recently Approved Persons

- An individual enters the continuing education program cycle upon <u>initial</u> approval in an Approved Person category listed in subsection 2704(1).
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection 2725(1), an *individual* that receives <u>initial</u> approval in an *Approved Person* category listed in subsection 2704(1) during the last six months of the current *continuing education program* cycle will become subject to the applicable continuing education requirements <u>starting</u> at the beginning of the next *continuing education program* cycle.

# PART D - CHANGES DURING A CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM CYCLE

2735. Changes to Approved Persons category during a continuing education program cycle

(3) A continuing education participant may not change to an Approved Person categories category with less onerous continuing education requirements to avoid completing the more onerous

continuing education requirements of a former Approved Person category, or penalties for non-completion of continuing education requirements. Any change to the Approved Person category during the last six months of the continuing education program cycle which results in less onerous continuing education requirements must be accompanied by an explanation from the sponsoring Dealer Member sufficient to satisfy the Corporation that the category change is not an avoidance measure.

#### PART F - PENALTIES APPLICABLE TO THE CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVED PERSONS

- 2755. Penalties for late filing or not completing continuing education requirements in a continuing education program cycle
  - (1) On the last business day of the first month of a continuing education program cycle, the Corporation will automatically suspend the approval of the continuing education participant if:
    - a continuing education participant fails to complete the continuing education requirements for the previous continuing education program cycle within the prescribed cycle, or

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#### **RULE 3900 | SUPERVISION**

# PART C - SUPERVISION OF RETAIL CLIENT ACCOUNTS

3947. Supervision of new Registered Representatives and Investment Representatives

- (2) Subsection 3947(1) does not apply if:
  - the Registered Representative was previously approved, for six months or more, to advise on trades for retail clients for a securities firm that is a member of a SRO or a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization, or
  - (ii) the Investment Representative was previously approved for six months or more to advise on trades or to trade for retail clients for a securities firm that is a member of a SRO or a recognized foreign self-regulatory organization.