

**§ 24a. Swap data repositories****(a) Registration requirement****(1) Requirement; authority of derivatives clearing organization****(A) In general**

It shall be unlawful for any person, unless registered with the Commission, directly or indirectly to make use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce to perform the functions of a swap data repository.

**(B) Registration of derivatives clearing organizations**

A derivatives clearing organization may register as a swap data repository.

**(2) Inspection and examination**

Each registered swap data repository shall be subject to inspection and examination by any representative of the Commission.

**(3) Compliance with core principles****(A) In general**

To be registered, and maintain registration, as a swap data repository, the swap data repository shall comply with—

(i) the requirements and core principles described in this section; and

(ii) any requirement that the Commission may impose by rule or regulation pursuant to section 12a(5) of this title.

**(B) Reasonable discretion of swap data repository**

Unless otherwise determined by the Commission by rule or regulation, a swap data repository described in subparagraph (A) shall have reasonable discretion in establishing the manner in which the swap data repository complies with the core principles described in this section.

**(b) Standard setting****(1) Data identification****(A) In general**

In accordance with subparagraph (B), the Commission shall prescribe standards that specify the data elements for each swap that shall be collected and maintained by each registered swap data repository.

**(B) Requirement**

In carrying out subparagraph (A), the Commission shall prescribe consistent data element standards applicable to registered entities and reporting counterparties.

**(2) Data collection and maintenance**

The Commission shall prescribe data collection and data maintenance standards for swap data repositories.

**(3) Comparability**

The standards prescribed by the Commission under this subsection shall be comparable to the data standards imposed by the Commission on derivatives clearing organizations in connection with their clearing of swaps.

**(c) Duties**

A swap data repository shall—

(1) accept data prescribed by the Commission for each swap under subsection (b);

(2) confirm with both counterparties to the swap the accuracy of the data that was submitted;

(3) maintain the data described in paragraph (1) in such form, in such manner, and for such period as may be required by the Commission;

(4)(A) provide direct electronic access to the Commission (or any designee of the Commission, including another registered entity); and

(B) provide the information described in paragraph (1) in such form and at such frequency as the Commission may require to comply with the public reporting requirements contained in section 2(a)(13) of this title;

(5) at the direction of the Commission, establish automated systems for monitoring, screening, and analyzing swap data, including compliance and frequency of end user clearing exemption claims by individual and affiliated entities;

(6) maintain the privacy of any and all swap transaction information that the swap data repository receives from a swap dealer, counterparty, or any other registered entity; and

(7) on a confidential basis pursuant to section 12 of this title, upon request, and after notifying the Commission of the request, make available swap data obtained by the swap data repository, including individual counterparty trade and position data, to—

(A) each appropriate prudential regulator;

(B) the Financial Stability Oversight Council;

(C) the Securities and Exchange Commission;

(D) the Department of Justice; and

(E) any other person that the Commission determines to be appropriate, including—

(i) foreign financial supervisors (including foreign futures authorities);

(ii) foreign central banks;

(iii) foreign ministries; and

(iv) other foreign authorities; and

(8) establish and maintain emergency procedures, backup facilities, and a plan for disaster recovery that allows for the timely recovery and resumption of operations and the fulfillment of the responsibilities and obligations of the organization.

**(d) Confidentiality agreement**

Before the swap data repository may share information with any entity described in subsection (c)(7), the swap data repository shall receive a written agreement from each entity stating that the entity shall abide by the confidentiality requirements described in section 12 of this title relating to the information on swap transactions that is provided.

**(e) Designation of chief compliance officer****(1) In general**

Each swap data repository shall designate an individual to serve as a chief compliance officer.

**(2) Duties**

The chief compliance officer shall—

(A) report directly to the board or to the senior officer of the swap data repository;

(B) review the compliance of the swap data repository with respect to the requirements and core principles described in this section;

(C) in consultation with the board of the swap data repository, a body performing a function similar to the board of the swap data repository, or the senior officer of the swap data repository, resolve any conflicts of interest that may arise;

(D) be responsible for administering each policy and procedure that is required to be established pursuant to this section;

(E) ensure compliance with this chapter (including regulations) relating to agreements, contracts, or transactions, including each rule prescribed by the Commission under this section;

(F) establish procedures for the remediation of noncompliance issues identified by the chief compliance officer through any—

- (i) compliance office review;
- (ii) look-back;
- (iii) internal or external audit finding;
- (iv) self-reported error; or
- (v) validated complaint; and

(G) establish and follow appropriate procedures for the handling, management response, remediation, retesting, and closing of noncompliance issues.

### (3) Annual reports

#### (A) In general

In accordance with rules prescribed by the Commission, the chief compliance officer shall annually prepare and sign a report that contains a description of—

- (i) the compliance of the swap data repository of the chief compliance officer with respect to this chapter (including regulations); and
- (ii) each policy and procedure of the swap data repository of the chief compliance officer (including the code of ethics and conflict of interest policies of the swap data repository).

#### (B) Requirements

A compliance report under subparagraph (A) shall—

- (i) accompany each appropriate financial report of the swap data repository that is required to be furnished to the Commission pursuant to this section; and
- (ii) include a certification that, under penalty of law, the compliance report is accurate and complete.

### (f) Core principles applicable to swap data repositories

#### (1) Antitrust considerations

Unless necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this chapter, a swap data repository shall not—

- (A) adopt any rule or take any action that results in any unreasonable restraint of trade; or
- (B) impose any material anticompetitive burden on the trading, clearing, or reporting of transactions.

### (2) Governance arrangements

Each swap data repository shall establish governance arrangements that are transparent—

- (A) to fulfill public interest requirements; and
- (B) to support the objectives of the Federal Government, owners, and participants.

### (3) Conflicts of interest

Each swap data repository shall—

- (A) establish and enforce rules to minimize conflicts of interest in the decision-making process of the swap data repository; and
- (B) establish a process for resolving conflicts of interest described in subparagraph (A).

### (4) Additional duties developed by Commission

#### (A) In general

The Commission may develop 1 or more additional duties applicable to swap data repositories.

#### (B) Consideration of evolving standards

In developing additional duties under subparagraph (A), the Commission may take into consideration any evolving standard of the United States or the international community.

#### (C) Additional duties for Commission designees

The Commission shall establish additional duties for any registrant described in section 1a(48) of this title in order to minimize conflicts of interest, protect data, ensure compliance, and guarantee the safety and security of the swap data repository.

### (g) Required registration for swap data repositories

Any person that is required to be registered as a swap data repository under this section shall register with the Commission regardless of whether that person is also licensed as a bank or registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a swap data repository.

#### (h) Rules

The Commission shall adopt rules governing persons that are registered under this section.

(Sept. 21, 1922, ch. 369, §21, as added Pub. L. 111-203, title VII, §728, July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 1697; amended Pub. L. 114-94, div. G, title LXXXVI, §86001(b), Dec. 4, 2015, 129 Stat. 1797.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 21 of act Sept. 21, 1922, ch. 369, as added by Pub. L. 96-276, §7, June 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 542, related to silver markets activity and was set out as a note under section 4a of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 102-546, title IV, §402(13), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3625.

#### AMENDMENTS

2015—Subsec. (c)(7). Pub. L. 114-94, §86001(b)(1)(A), substituted “swap” for “all” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (c)(7)(E)(iv). Pub. L. 114-94, §86001(b)(1)(B), added cl. (iv).

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 114-94, §86001(b)(2), added subsec. (d) and struck out former subsec. (d) which related to confidentiality and indemnification agreement.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2015 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 114-94 effective as if enacted as part of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, Pub. L. 111-203, see section 86001(d) of Pub. L. 114-94, set out as a note under section 7a-1 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective on the later of 360 days after July 21, 2010, or, to the extent a provision of subtitle A (§§ 711-754) of title VII of Pub. L. 111-203 requires a rule-making, not less than 60 days after publication of the final rule or regulation implementing such provision of subtitle A, see section 754 of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as an Effective Date of 2010 Amendment note under section 1a of this title.

**§ 25. Private rights of action****(a) Actual damages; actionable transactions; exclusive remedy**

(1) Any person (other than a registered entity or registered futures association) who violates this chapter or who willfully aids, abets, counsels, induces, or procures the commission of a violation of this chapter shall be liable for actual damages resulting from one or more of the transactions referred to in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of this paragraph and caused by such violation to any other person—

(A) who received trading advice from such person for a fee;

(B) who made through such person any contract of sale of any commodity for future delivery (or option on such contract or any commodity) or any swap; or who deposited with or paid to such person money, securities, or property (or incurred debt in lieu thereof) in connection with any order to make such contract or any swap;

(C) who purchased from or sold to such person or placed through such person an order for the purchase or sale of—

(i) an option subject to section 6c of this title (other than an option purchased or sold on a registered entity or other board of trade);

(ii) a contract subject to section 23 of this title; or<sup>1</sup>

(iii) an interest or participation in a commodity pool; or

(iv) a swap; or

(D) who purchased or sold a contract referred to in subparagraph (B) hereof or swap if the violation constitutes—

(i) the use or employment of, or an attempt to use or employ, in connection with a swap, or a contract of sale of a commodity, in interstate commerce, or for future delivery on or subject to the rules of any registered entity, any manipulative device or contrivance in contravention of such rules and regulations as the Commission shall promulgate by not later than 1 year after July 21, 2010; or

(ii) a manipulation of the price of any such contract or swap or the price of the commodity underlying such contract or swap.

(2) Except as provided in subsection (b), the rights of action authorized by this subsection

and by sections 7(d)(13), 7a-1(c)(2)(H), and 21(b)(10) of this title shall be the exclusive remedies under this chapter available to any person who sustains loss as a result of any alleged violation of this chapter. Nothing in this subsection shall limit or abridge the rights of the parties to agree in advance of a dispute upon any forum for resolving claims under this section, including arbitration.

(3) In any action arising from a violation in the execution of an order on the floor of a registered entity, the person referred to in paragraph (1) shall be liable for—

(A) actual damages proximately caused by such violation. If an award of actual damages is made against a floor broker in connection with the execution of a customer order, and the futures commission merchant which selected the floor broker for the execution of the customer order is held to be responsible under section 2(a)(1) of this title for the floor broker's violation, such futures commission merchant may be required to satisfy such award; and

(B) where the violation is willful and intentional, punitive or exemplary damages equal to no more than two times the amount of such actual damages. If an award of punitive or exemplary damages is made against a floor broker in connection with the execution of a customer order, and the futures commission merchant which selected the floor broker for the execution of the customer order is held to be responsible under section 2(a)(1) of this title for the floor broker's violation, such futures commission merchant may be required to satisfy such award if the floor broker fails to do so, except that such requirement shall apply to the futures commission merchant only if it willfully and intentionally selected the floor broker with the intent to assist or facilitate the floor broker's violation.

**(4) CONTRACT ENFORCEMENT BETWEEN ELIGIBLE COUNTERPARTIES.—**

(A) IN GENERAL.—No hybrid instrument sold to any investor shall be void, voidable, or unenforceable, and no party to a hybrid instrument shall be entitled to rescind, or recover any payment made with respect to, the hybrid instrument under this section or any other provision of Federal or State law, based solely on the failure of the hybrid instrument to comply with the terms or conditions of section 2(f) of this title or regulations of the Commission.

(B) SWAPS.—No agreement, contract, or transaction between eligible contract participants or persons reasonably believed to be eligible contract participants shall be void, voidable, or unenforceable, and no party to such agreement, contract, or transaction shall be entitled to rescind, or recover any payment made with respect to, the agreement, contract, or transaction under this section or any other provision of Federal or State law, based solely on the failure of the agreement, contract, or transaction—

(i) to meet the definition of a swap under section 1a of this title; or

(ii) to be cleared in accordance with section 2(h)(1) of this title.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. The word "or" probably should not appear.