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Amendment No. (req. for Amendments *)

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Description
Provide a brief description of the action (limit 250 characters, required when Initial is checked *).

Amend General 3, Rule 1002, Qualifications of Exchange Members and Associated Persons; Registration of Branch Offices and Designation of Office of Supervisory Jurisdiction

Contact Information
Provide the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person on the staff of the self-regulatory organization prepared to respond to questions and comments on the action.

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Signature
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange of 1934, The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC has duty caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duty authorized.

Date 03/08/2022
By John Zecca

(Title *) EVP and Chief Legal Officer

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| Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change * | The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO]-xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3) |
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| Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Transcripts, Other Communications | Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G. |
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| Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies | The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit the staff to identify immediately the changes made from the text of the rule with which it has been working. |
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| Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text | The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes to rule text in place of providing it in Item I and which may otherwise be more easily readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part of the proposed rule change |
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| Partial Amendment | If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy proposed rule change, it may, with the Commission’s permission, file only those portions of the text of the proposed rule change in which changes are being made if the filing (i.e., partial amendment) is clearly understandable on its face. Such partial amendment shall be clearly identified and marked to show deletions and additions. |
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1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change


A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register is attached as Exhibit 1. The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.


(c) Not applicable.

2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

The proposed rule change was approved by senior management of the Exchange pursuant to authority delegated by the Board of Directors (the “Board”). Exchange staff will advise the Board of any action taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action is necessary for the filing of the rule change.

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Questions and comments on the proposed rule change may be directed to:

Angela Saccomandi Dunn
Principal Associate General Counsel
Nasdaq, Inc.
215-496-5692

3. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

a. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend General 3, Rule 1002, Qualifications of Exchange Members and Associated Persons; Registration of Branch Offices and Designation of Office of Supervisory Jurisdiction. Specifically, General 3, Rule 1002(b) provides for ineligibility of certain persons for Membership or Association. General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2) provides,

Subject to such exceptions as may be explicitly provided elsewhere in the Rules, no person shall become associated with a Member, continue to be associated with a Member, or transfer association to another Member, if such person fails or ceases to satisfy the qualification requirements established by the Rules, or if such person is or becomes subject to a statutory disqualification; and no broker or dealer shall be admitted to membership, and no Member shall be continued in membership, if any person associated with it is ineligible to be an Associated Person under this subsection.

For purposes of statutory disqualification, as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(39) of the Act, the Exchange proposes to specifically define the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” to align those terms with FINRA’s By-Laws.

FINRA defines the terms “person associated with a member” or “associated person of a member” at paragraph (ee) of Article I, Definitions, of those By-Laws. Nasdaq

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4 FINRA By-Law Article I(ee) provides, “person associated with a member” or “associated person of a member” means: (1) a natural person who is registered or
currently defines an “Associated Person” within General 3, Section 1011(b) to mean any partner, officer, director, or branch manager of a Member or Applicant (or person occupying a similar status or performing similar functions), any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such Member or Applicant, or any employee of such Member or Applicant, except that any person associated with a Member or Applicant whose functions are solely clerical or ministerial shall not be included in the meaning of such term for purposes of the Rules.

At this time, Nasdaq proposes to adopt FINRA’s definitions of “person associated with a member” and “associated person” as provided within FINRA By-Law Article I(ee), for purposes of statutory disqualification, within new Nasdaq General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2)(A). As proposed, General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2)(A) would provide,

For purposes of “statutory disqualification” as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(39) of the Exchange Act the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” shall mean (1) a natural person who is registered or has applied for registration under the Rules of the Exchange; (2) a sole proprietor, partner, officer, director, or branch manager of a member, or other natural person occupying a similar status or performing similar functions, or a natural person engaged in the investment banking or securities business who is directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by a member, whether or not any such person is registered or exempt from registration with the Exchange under its Rules; and (3) for purposes of Nasdaq General 5, Rule 8210, any other person listed in Schedule A of Form BD of a member.

By defining the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person”
substantively identical\textsuperscript{5} to FINRA, for purposes of statutory disqualification, the Exchange would align its application of statutory disqualification with FINRA’s process. This proposal would avoid potentially different outcomes for members of both FINRA and Nasdaq with respect to ineligibility for membership and association.

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  \item[b.] \textbf{Statutory Basis}
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The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,\textsuperscript{6} in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,\textsuperscript{7} in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade and to protect investors and the public interest. The Exchange’s proposal to adopt FINRA’s definitions of “person associated with a member” and “associated person” as provided within FINRA By-Law Article I(ee), for purposes of statutory disqualification pursuant to Section 3(a)(39) of Act\textsuperscript{8}, within new Nasdaq General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2)(A) is consistent with the Act. Aligning the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” with paragraph (ee) of Article I, Definitions, of FINRA’s By-Laws would avoid potentially different outcomes for members of both FINRA and Nasdaq with respect to ineligibility for membership and association as a result of statutory disqualification.

The Exchange believes its proposal will promote just and equitable principles of trade and protect investors and the public interest by ensuring market participants that are

\begin{footnotes}
\item \textsuperscript{5} References to “Corporation” within FINRA By-Law Article I(ee) were amended to “Exchange” and references to “By-Laws and Rules of FINRA” were amended to reference Nasdaq’s Rules.
\item \textsuperscript{6} 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).
\item \textsuperscript{7} 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).
\item \textsuperscript{8} 15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(39).
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members of both FINRA and Nasdaq are held to the same standard with respect to statutory disqualification.

4. **Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition**

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange’s proposal to adopt FINRA’s definitions of “person associated with a member” and “associated person” as provided within FINRA By-Law Article I(ee) within General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2)(A), for purposes of statutory disqualification pursuant to Section 3(a)(39) of Act, does not impose an undue burden on competition. Aligning the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” with paragraph (ee) of Article I, Definitions, of FINRA’s By-Laws would avoid potentially different outcomes for members of both FINRA and Nasdaq with respect to ineligibility for membership and association as a result of statutory disqualification and ensure that all FINRA and Nasdaq members are held to the same standard with respect to statutory disqualification. Today, all Nasdaq members are subject to the General 3 rules.

5. **Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others**

No written comments were either solicited or received.

6. **Extension of Time Period for Commission Action**

Not Applicable.

7. **Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)**

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section

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19(b)(3)(A)(iii)\(^{10}\) of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder\(^{11}\) in that it effects a change that: (i) does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) by its terms, does not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

The Exchange’s proposal to adopt a new General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2)(A) and define the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” as provided within FINRA By-Law Article I(ee), for purposes of statutory disqualification pursuant to Section 3(a)(39) of Act,\(^{12}\) does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest as the proposal would align Nasdaq’s application of statutory disqualification with FINRA’s process and avoid potentially different outcomes for members of both FINRA and Nasdaq with respect to ineligibility for membership and association. Additionally, this proposal does not impose any significant burden on competition as the proposal would ensure that all FINRA and Nasdaq members are held to the same standard with respect to statutory disqualification. Today, all Nasdaq members are subject to the General 3 rules.

Furthermore, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii)\(^{13}\) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file a proposed rule change under that


subsection at least five business days prior to the date of filing, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has provided such notice.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

8. **Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission**

   Nasdaq’s proposal adopts rule text substantively identical\(^\text{14}\) to FINRA paragraph (ee) of Article I, Definitions, of FINRA’s By-Laws.

9. **Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act**

   Not applicable.

10. **Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act**

    Not applicable.

11. **Exhibits**

    5. Text of the proposed rule change.

\(^{14}\) References to “Corporation” within FINRA By-Law Article I(ee) were amended to “Exchange” and references to “By-Laws and Rules of FINRA” were amended to reference Nasdaq’s Rules.
March 8, 2022

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend General 3, Rule 1002, Qualifications of Exchange Members and Associated Persons; Registration of Branch Offices and Designation of Office of Supervisory Jurisdiction

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”), and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on March 8, 2022, The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“Nasdaq” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III, below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend General 3, Rule 1002, Qualifications of Exchange Members and Associated Persons; Registration of Branch Offices and Designation of Office of Supervisory Jurisdiction.


II. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

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For purposes of statutory disqualification, as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(39) of the Act, the Exchange proposes to specifically define the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” to align those terms with FINRA’s By-Laws.

FINRA defines the terms “person associated with a member” or “associated person of a member” at paragraph (ee) of Article I, Definitions, of those By-Laws. Nasdaq currently defines an “Associated Person” within General 3, Section 1011(b) to mean any partner, officer, director, or branch manager of a Member or Applicant (or person occupying a similar status or performing similar functions), any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such Member or Applicant, or any employee of such Member or Applicant, except that any person associated with a Member or Applicant whose functions are solely clerical or ministerial shall not be included in the meaning of such term for purposes of the Rules.

At this time, Nasdaq proposes to adopt FINRA’s definitions of “person associated with a member” and “associated person” as provided within FINRA By-Law Article I(ee), for purposes of statutory disqualification, within new Nasdaq General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2)(A). As proposed, General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2)(A) would provide,

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registration with the Exchange under its Rules; and (3) for purposes of Nasdaq General 5, Rule 8210, any other person listed in Schedule A of Form BD of a member.

By defining the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” substantively identical to FINRA, for purposes of statutory disqualification, the Exchange would align its application of statutory disqualification with FINRA’s process. This proposal would avoid potentially different outcomes for members of both FINRA and Nasdaq with respect to ineligibility for membership and association.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act, in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade and to protect investors and the public interest. The Exchange’s proposal to adopt FINRA’s definitions of “person associated with a member” and “associated person” as provided within FINRA By-Law Article I(ee), for purposes of statutory disqualification pursuant to Section 3(a)(39) of Act, within new Nasdaq General 3, Rule 1002(b)(2)(A) is consistent with the Act. Aligning the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” with paragraph (ee) of Article I, Definitions, of FINRA’s By-Laws would avoid

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The Exchange believes its proposal will promote just and equitable principles of trade and protect investors and the public interest by ensuring market participants that are members of both FINRA and Nasdaq are held to the same standard with respect to statutory disqualification.

B. **Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition**

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C. **Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others**

No written comments were either solicited or received.

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III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act and subparagraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

11 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.
Electronic comments:

- Use the Commission’s Internet comment form
  (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or

- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-NASDAQ-2022-022 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NASDAQ-2022-022. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission’s Internet Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml).

Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission’s Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.
All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NASDAQ-2022-022 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.\textsuperscript{12}

J. Matthew DeLesDernier
Assistant Secretary

\textsuperscript{12} 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).
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The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC Rules

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General 3 Membership and Access

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1002. Qualifications of Exchange Members and Associated Persons; Registration of Branch Offices and Designation of Office of Supervisory Jurisdiction

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(b) Ineligibility of Certain Persons for Membership or Association

(1) Subject to such exceptions as may be explicitly provided elsewhere in the Rules, no registered broker or dealer shall be admitted to membership, and no Member shall be continued in membership, if such broker, dealer, or Member fails or ceases to satisfy the qualification requirements established by the Rules, or if such broker, dealer, or Member is or becomes subject to a statutory disqualification, or if such broker, dealer, or Member fails to file such forms as may be required in accordance with such process as the Exchange may prescribe.

(2) Subject to such exceptions as may be explicitly provided elsewhere in the Rules, no person shall become associated with a Member, continue to be associated with a Member, or transfer association to another Member, if such person fails or ceases to satisfy the qualification requirements established by the Rules, or if such person is or becomes subject to a statutory disqualification; and no broker or dealer shall be admitted to membership, and no Member shall be continued in membership, if any person associated with it is ineligible to be an Associated Person under this subsection.

For purposes of “statutory disqualification” as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(39) of the Exchange Act the terms “person associated with a member” and “associated person” shall mean (1) a natural person who is registered or has applied for registration under the Rules of the Exchange; (2) a sole proprietor, partner, officer, director, or branch manager of a member, or other natural person occupying a similar status or performing similar functions, or a natural person engaged in the investment banking or securities business who is directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by a member, whether or not any such person is registered or exempt from registration with the Exchange under its Rules; and (3) for purposes of Nasdaq General 5, Rule 8210, any other person listed in Schedule A of Form BD of a member.

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