

US Customer Margin Disclosure Statement

OptionsHouse is furnishing this document to you to provide some basic facts about purchasing securities on margin and to alert you to the risks involved with trading securities in a margin account. This document is not intended to enumerate all of the risks entailed in trading in a margin account. Before trading stocks in a margin account, you should carefully review the margin agreement. If you have any questions about margin accounts or the margin agreement, email us at customerservice@optionshouse.com or call us toll free at 1-877-598-3190.

When you purchase securities, you may pay for the securities in full or you may borrow part of the purchase price. If you choose to borrow funds, you will have to open a margin account with OptionsHouse. The securities purchased serve as OptionsHouse collateral for the loan to you. If the securities in your account decline in value, so does the value of the collateral supporting your loan, and as a result, OptionsHouse can take action, such as issue a margin call and/or sell securities in your account, in order to maintain the required equity in the account.

It is important that you fully understand the risks involved in trading securities on margin. These risks include the following:

You can lose more funds than you deposit in the margin account.

A decline in the value of securities that are purchased on margin may require you to provide additional funds to OptionsHouse to avoid the forced sale of those securities or other securities in your account.

OptionsHouse can force the sale of securities in your account.

If the equity in your account falls below the maintenance margin requirements under the law, or the OptionsHouse's higher "house" requirements, OptionsHouse can sell the securities in your account to cover the margin deficiency. You also will be responsible for any shortfall in the account after such a sale.

OptionsHouse can sell your securities without contacting you.

Some investors mistakenly believe that a broker must contact them for a margin call to be valid, and that the firm cannot liquidate securities in their accounts to meet the call unless the broker has contacted them first. This is not the case. OptionsHouse will attempt to notify its customers of margin calls, but we are not required to do so. However, even if OptionsHouse has contacted a customer and provided a specific date by which the customer must meet a margin call, OptionsHouse still can take necessary steps to protect its financial interest, including immediately selling the securities without notice to the customer.

You are not entitled to choose which security in your margin account is liquidated or sold to meet a margin call.

Because the securities are collateral for the margin loan, OptionsHouse has the right to decide which security to sell in order to protect its interests.

OptionsHouse can increase its "house" maintenance margin requirement at any time and is not required to provide advance written notice.

Changes in OptionsHouse's policy often take effect immediately and may result in the issuance of a maintenance margin call. Your failure to satisfy the call may cause OptionsHouse to liquidate or sell securities in your account.

You are not entitled to an extension of time on a margin call.

While an extension of time to meet margin requirements may be available to customers under certain conditions, a customer does not have a right to any such extension.