



Important Notice

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation - MBSD

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To:	Mortgage-Backed Securities Division Clearing Members
Category:	Membership Updates
Subject:	New MBSD Minimum Capital Requirements (Effective August 26, 2023)

FICC is providing this notice to remind all members of FICC’s Mortgage-Backed Securities Division (“MBSD”) of the upcoming increases to the MBSD minimum capital requirements that MBSD members will be subject to starting in August 2023.

FICC, NSCC, and DTC (collectively, “Clearing Agencies”), each filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) on December 13, 2021, proposals to increase the minimum capital requirements applicable to many of their respective members.¹ The SEC approved those proposals on August 26, 2022.² The Clearing Agencies issued Important Notices to all their members regarding the approved proposals on September 26, 2022.³

As described in the proposals, the approval orders, and Important Notices cited above, the increased capital requirements take effect one year after the date of the SEC’s approval, which is August 26, 2023 (“Effective Date”). Any member that does not meet its new minimum capital requirement on Effective Date will have a grace period of 60 calendar days from Effective Date, which is October 25, 2023, to meet its new requirement.

MBSD encourages all its members to become familiar with the new capital requirements applicable to them and ensure compliance when implemented in August 2023. As a reminder, if an MBSD member fails to meet its MBSD membership requirements at any time, including, without limitation, minimum capital requirements, MBSD may take any and all actions permitted under its rules, up to and including termination of the member’s MBSD membership.

Questions or inquiries regarding this Important Notice or the new minimum capital requirements applicable to your firm should be addressed to your Relationship Manager.

¹ NSCC proposal SR-NSCC-2021-016, DTC proposal SR-DTC-2021-017, and FICC proposal SR-FICC-2021-009 are each available on DTCC’s website at <https://www.dtcc.com/legal/sec-rule-filings> and the SEC’s website at <https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>.

² The SEC approval orders are available on the SEC’s website at <https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>.

³ The Clearing Agencies’ Important Notices are available on DTCC’s website at <https://www.dtcc.com/legal/important-notices>.

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