

SEC Proposes Rule Changes to Shorten the Security Settlement Cycle to T+1 by March 31, 2024

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On February 9, 2022, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") [announced](#) a [proposed rule](#) to shorten the standard settlement cycle for most broker-dealer transactions from two business days after the trade date ("T+2") to one business day after the trade date ("T+1"), while soliciting comments regarding challenges and possible approaches to achieving settlement by the end of trade date ("T+0"). To facilitate a T+1 settlement process, the Commission is proposing new requirements designed to protect investors, reduce risk between a transaction and its completion, and increase operational efficiency. The proposed rules and rule amendments would establish a compliance date of March 31, 2024.

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