

## Contract Terms and Conditions

**Event Question:** Will the average US Temperature in [year] be greater than [Fahrenheit # F]([Celsius # C])?

**Product Code:** UST

**Instructions:** The US Average Annual Temperature is published by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (“NOAA”) in the second week of January 10AM CT. A schedule of release dates are available: [here](#). Definitive release dates are determined no later than one week prior to a report's release and all public calendars will be updated accordingly.

**Underlying:** The Underlying can be accessed: [here](#). The table under the heading “Contiguous U.S.” shows the annual average US temperature for previous years. ForecastEx’s Event Question lists the threshold in both Celsius and Fahrenheit for convenience only. Average US temperature is reported by NOAA in Fahrenheit. Only Fahrenheit is used to determine the contract’s resolution. Links are provided for informational purposes only and the source agency may decide to publish the data at a different location at any time.

**Source Agency:** NOAA

**Minimum Tick:** The Minimum Tick size for the referred Contract shall be \$0.01

**Listing Cycle:** ForecastEx will list US Average Annual Temperature contracts for the current, and next two consecutive years. After the third annual contract, Forecast will list contracts for the next two years that end in a 5 or 0 (i.e. 2030 and 2035).

**Thresholds:** For each contract expiration, one threshold will initially be listed and additional thresholds will be listed at ForecastEx’s discretion.

**Position Accountability:** The position accountability level is 250,000 Event Positions in any one Event Market

**Last Trading Time:** 11:59:59 PM CT on the trading day preceding the Resolution Time.

**Payout Criteria:** The Settlement Value of each US Average Annual Temperature Contract is \$1.00 or \$0 depending on the Outcome of the Event Question. If the Outcome of the Event Question is “Yes”, then holders of the “Yes” Position will be entitled to receive the Settlement Value of \$1.00 per contract and holders of the “No” Position will receive \$0.00. If the Outcome of the Event Question is “No”, then holders of the “No” Position will be entitled to receive the Settlement Value of \$1.00 per contract and holders of the “Yes” Position will receive \$0.00.

**Resolution Time:** 10:00 AM CT when NOAA publishes the annual US Average Annual Temperature data.

**Changes in Resolution Time:** The Resolution Time of a Contract is dependent on the time that NOAA releases US Average Annual Temperature data. There are circumstances where ForecastEx may change the Resolution Time of a Contract.

1. **Delay by Source Agency:** In the event that the release of the US Average Annual Temperature is delayed by NOAA, ForecastEx will delay the Resolution Time of the Contract until such time as the NOAA releases the US Average Annual Temperature data. Should this occur, ForecastEx would release a public notice to its website informing Market Participants that the Resolution of the Contract has been delayed and release a second notice to its website informing Market Participants when the contract ultimately resolves.
2. **Contracts with no currently scheduled release date:** The NOAA generally publishes the release dates for US Average Annual Temperature data up through the end of the current calendar year. ForecastEx will list multiple US Average Annual Temperature contracts that have Resolution dates beyond the currently published schedule of releases. For these contracts, ForecastEx will approximate the Resolution Time based on the anticipated release schedule from NOAA. Once NOAA has published the release schedule, ForecastEx will update the Resolution Times of the contract if necessary and publish a public notice to its website informing Market Participants of the revised Resolution Time.

**Expiration Time:** Same as Resolution time.

**Settlement Time:** Settlement for Resolved US Average Annual Temperature Contracts will occur after Resolution Time at 13:00 PM CT that same Business Day in accordance with ForecastEx Rule 603(b)(3).