MIN/MAX CONTRACT

What is a Min/Max price contract?

The **POET Min/Max** contract allows you to sell your corn today for a set floor price, while still enabling you to participate on the upside of the futures market to a set Max Price.

This option comes in at a lower cost of a regular Minimum price contract due to the limited upside potential; since a maximum futures price is established. It can be beneficial to those of you who are seeking to lock in a floor price, but believe that there is still upside potential in the futures market.



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Advantages:

- You establish the quantity, floor price, ceiling price and pricing period.
- Ability to set the final cash price at any given time (market may be open *or* closed).
- Opportunity to capture gains at any time, before option expiration.

Disadvantages:

- You may be subject to service charges.
- Limited upside potential.
- Possible loss of the fee you paid if the futures price decreases.

How it works:

The Min/Max contract allows you capture market gains up to option expiration, you can move your bushels now, and the fees are much less than a regular Minimum Price contract. This contract is a good stepping stone for those who are considering an MP, but do not want to pay the higher investment costs for one.

Example:

The current cash bid is \$6.65 and you select the **March 6.70/7.10 Min/Max** strike prices, which have an investment cost of \$0.16.

| Here's the math: | |
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| Current Cash Price | \$6.65 |
| Min/Max Investment | <u>- \$0.16</u> |
| Cash Price | \$6.49 |

You will be paid \$6.49 upon delivery of the grain, the **March 6.70/7.10 Min/Max** strike prices have an expiration date of 2/24; if at anytime up to that date the March futures climb above \$6.70 and up to \$7.10, you can choose to execute the option and take limited gains.

Here are a couple of different scenarios that could take place:

| Scenario #1: |
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Expiration date: 2/24

Min/Max Range: 6.70/7.10

The March futures are at or above \$7.20 on 2/24; you net back a \$.40/bu gain; which is paid back on a separate check. You can only gain the difference between your min and max.

Scenario #3:

Expiration Date: 2/24

Min/Max Range: 6.70/7.10

The March futures are below \$6.70 on 2/24.The option will expire worthless and no additional gains will be paid out.

Scenario #2:

Expiration date: 2/24

Min/Max Range: 6.70/7.10

The March futures close at \$7.00 on 2/24; you net back \$0.30/bu gain that will be paid on a separate check.

Keys to Remember:

- The difference in the strike prices is the most that you can earn back.
- You can customize the min/max ranges.
- You *must* call us to execute both options (both must be executed at the same time)

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