Options Expiration Calendar 2026

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January

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March Q

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June H Q

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What is an expiration date?

The expiration date is the contract date on which the option ends under its terms. It matters because time value, exercise exposure and possible assignment are tied to it.

Monthly, quarterly cycle, weekly

Standard monthly expirations usually fall on the third Friday. Q marks March, June, September and December as quarterly-cycle months. Separate weekly and quarterly series can have their own expiration dates; they are not shown here.

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What happens at expiration?

An option may expire worthless or be exercised. A short option position may be assigned. Exercise, assignment and settlement depend on the contract and applicable rules.

Important notes

Deadlines vary by contract, exchange and broker. Example: Eurex DAX® options (ODAX) stop trading at 13:00 CET on the last trading day; exercise remains possible until 20:30 CET. ODAX only; brokers may set earlier deadlines.

Before expiration

- **Check open positions**
- **Confirm the contract expiration date**
- **Review exercise and assignment exposure**
- **Check broker trading and exercise deadlines**