

Title: An Opinion - Effect of Split on Option Contracts

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Please don't thump me too hard for bringing up the option discussion...and Please, do not trade them if you aren't interested, are too risk-averse, and don't want to lose money quickly. "Pushing" options isn't the point of my post, and this is just an opinion on what could happen as a result of the split, in regard to any open option contracts. I'm talking about calls only, by the way...fuck your puts on GME.

Using 1 purchased contract as an example, after the dividend issuance, my understanding is that the owner now has 4 contracts, with strike prices cut into approximate quarters...4 contracts are now a pretty powerful tool.

Trying to keep the example simple, a holder could \"exercise\" 1 ITM contract, and (depending on how valuable the contracts are at that point, in relation to when they were bought), use funds from one or more contracts that are \"sold\" to purchase the shares from the exercised contract. So, they now have 100 fresh shares to DRS...in addition to maintaining some upside exposure from the 4th option contract still in play.

That dynamic simply couldn't happen without the split chopping up the single, indivisible contract into four pieces, and I feel like that will only add to the troubles of the SHF's. They'll realize an actual loss when they have to sell shares to fulfill the contract, and will still have unrealized losses from the open contract being ITM on the long's side...good stuff.