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Tradovate - Quick Start Guide

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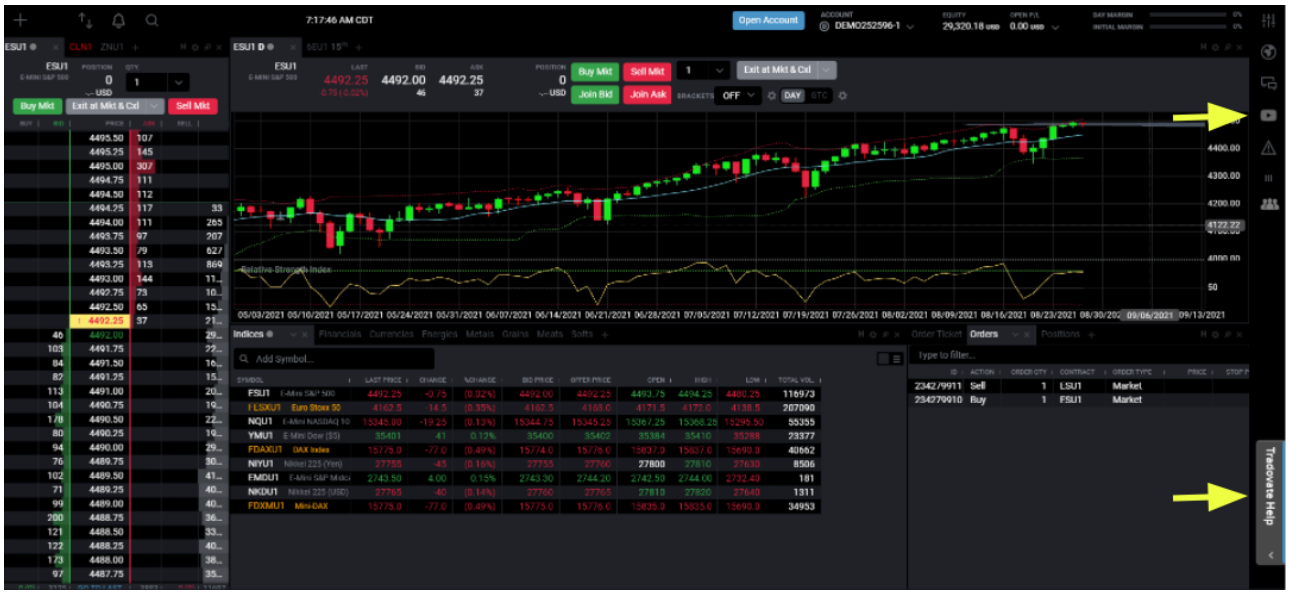
Introduction

This guide is designed for Inteligex users and covers the basics of using Tradovate.

Tradovate is an advanced Trading Platform and please note that this guide only covers the basics. Tradovate has a great help section and many videos online on YouTube.

Getting Started

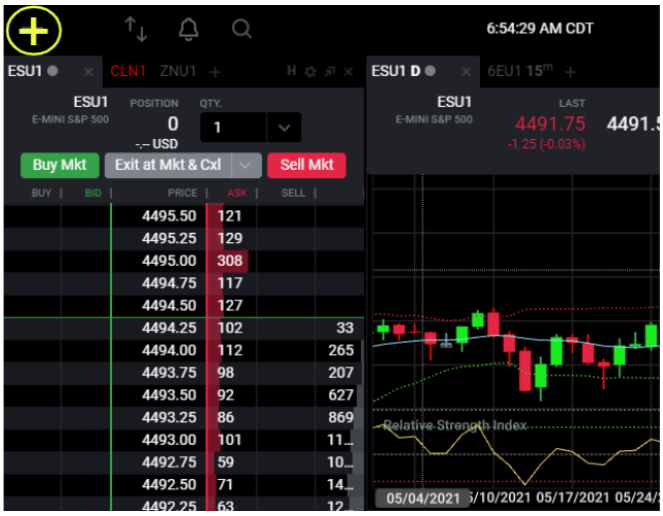
1. When you first go into Tradovate you will see a home screen similar to the one below. It shows you the modular tools available within Tradovate. Such as the DOM ladder, charts, current market prices overview, and order fill / positions. It will look something like the image below. This is just the default that it is showing you, you can configure your screen however you wish.



Please note the Tradovate Help and YouTube links (highlighted by yellow arrows), both of which will give you excellent information on how to use Tradovate.

2. Tradovate is a very configurable system. Within each module on the screen, sections can be deleted via the cross (x) in the top right hand corner of the tab or you can add other tabs using the small (+). Both are highlighted in yellow below

3. If you want to add new modules to the screen then use the 'Add modules' large '+' sign in the top left corner (as shown below)



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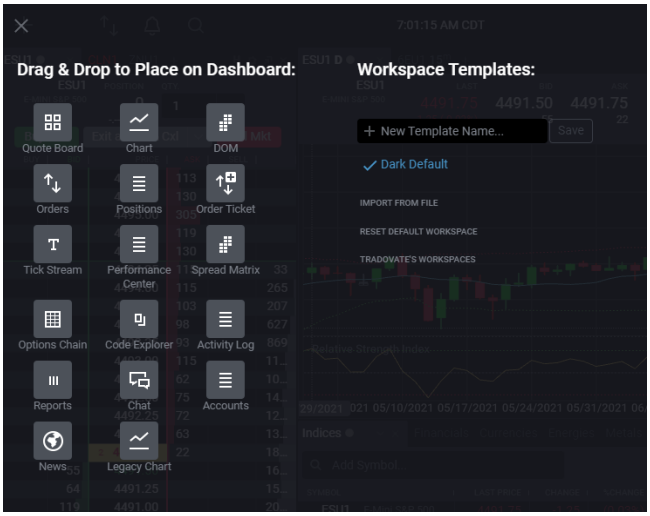


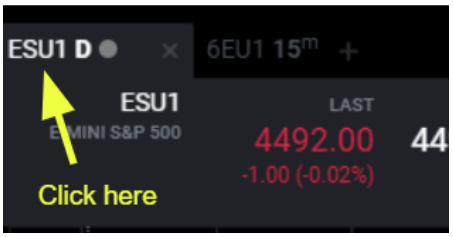
4. Simply design the layout of your screen according to your screen size and preferences and save them in Work Templates which is also found on the above screen. Tradovate also has a desktop client which works with multiple monitors.
5. Here's a couple of short videos to help you familiarize yourself with Tradovate before you do a deep dive into their videos:

    1. **Tradovate - Basics**
    2. **Tradovate - Taking a Trade**

6. A great way to keep track of your live trading performance is to use the Performance Centre Module, just add this to your Main Screen.

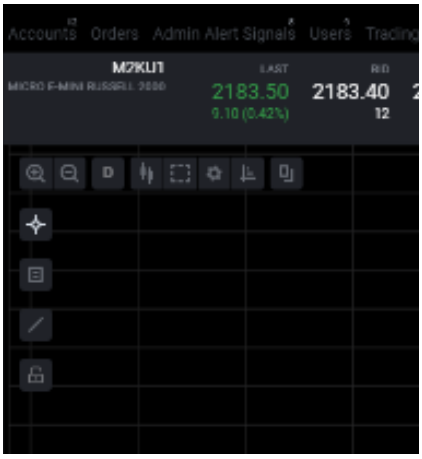
Chart ‘hints and tips’

- Add your chosen chart from within the ‘add modules’ area. Or you can simply reconfigure the example charts by directly clicking on the symbol to find the charts you prefer to use

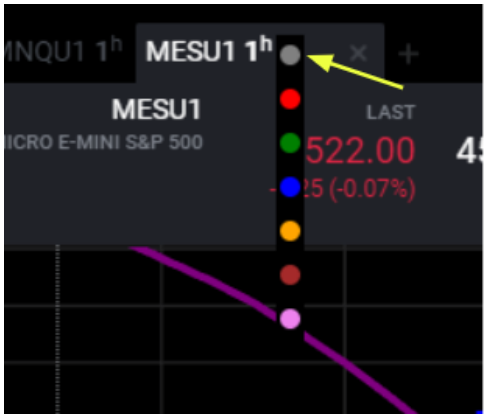


To show a daily chart with the Inteligex Indicators on it you need to use the continuous contract version of the symbol which needs the preface @ as per the below. NOTE you can only trade a non continuous contract on Tradovate.

- To change settings within the Charts module e.g. changing time frames, drawing tools etc. simply hover your mouse anywhere within the trading chart to reveal the options in the top left hand area. Then just hover over the icons to see what’s in each one.



- If you would like to see these options in the corner of your chart all the time, they can be ‘locked-in’ by simply enabling the lock feature found at the bottom of this menu. This may be worth doing as you familiarise yourself with basic navigation.
- Other useful options within this menu are ‘drawing tools’ and ‘configure chart elements’ where you can activate the Inteligex software. Remember that Inteligex is your primary vehicle to trading success. An uncluttered screen will allow you to read the signals with clarity and enable you to make informed decisions based upon the 5 step process.
- Consider just having your chosen trading charts open (and the different time frames) as the main (if not only) priority of your screen display.
- In ‘chart settings’ you will find the ‘Continuous AutoFit’ options. If your screen keeps re-positioning itself then this is switched on. Click on this if you would like to position your charts without them reverting back automatically
- To set your bar countdown (with an alert if you prefer) go to the cog icon in the top right hand of your chart and select ‘Bar countdown settings’
- You can link modules on your screen by using the color button that is on the tab (see below). Just click on the grey dot next to the index on your chart module and change it to a color, let’s say red. Now if you add the red dot to other modules that you are using for the same index e.g. Quote List, DOM and Tick Stream then as soon as you change one module they will all change together.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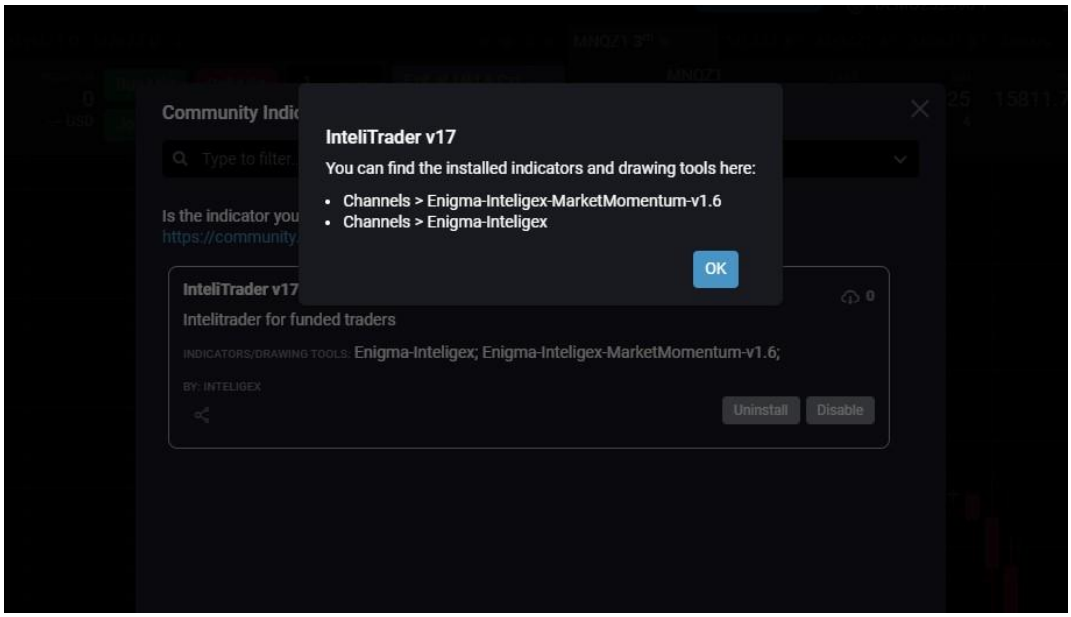
Inteligex Signals

If you've signed up to Inteligex you will receive a link to the Inteligex Signals via email. You simply click on the link to load them onto your Tradovate account. You can then load them onto your charts, you will find them under Channels as per the image below.



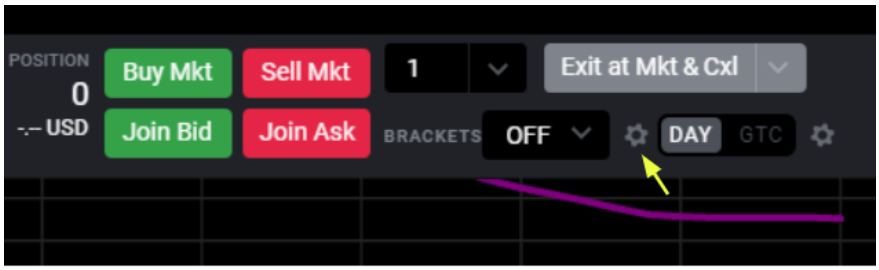
This short video will also help.

Taking Trades/Trading Parameters

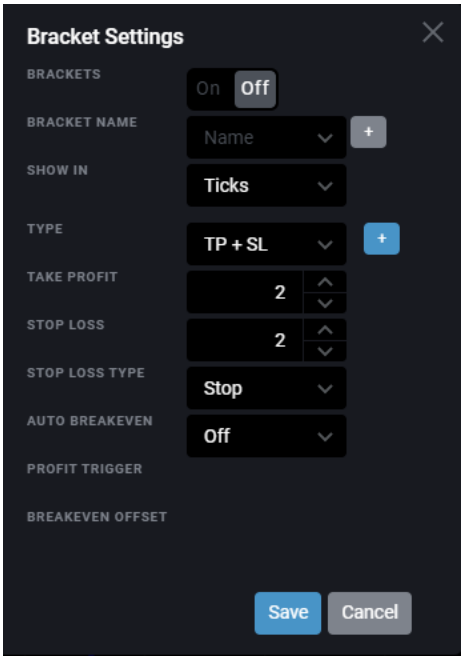
- Placing a simple market order can be done via the Buy Mkt and Sell Mkt buttons at the top of the screen. To exit your position you can simply hit the Exit at Mkt and Cxl button which will cancel your trades (and any other trades that are live).

- To place a limit order you click on the screen where you want to place your order, this will show you the screen below. If the amber horizontal line shows the order at the place you want you can click buy or sell. If it is not in the appropriate place then hover over the highlighted number at the end of the line. Move it to where you want to make your trade and then click buy or sell

- To place a bracket order then first set up your bracket criteria. To do this click the cog icon (settings) next to the brackets tab.



This will then let you input your desired bracket settings and switch the settings ON. Tradovate lets you save the bracket as a specific name so you can use it again if you require.

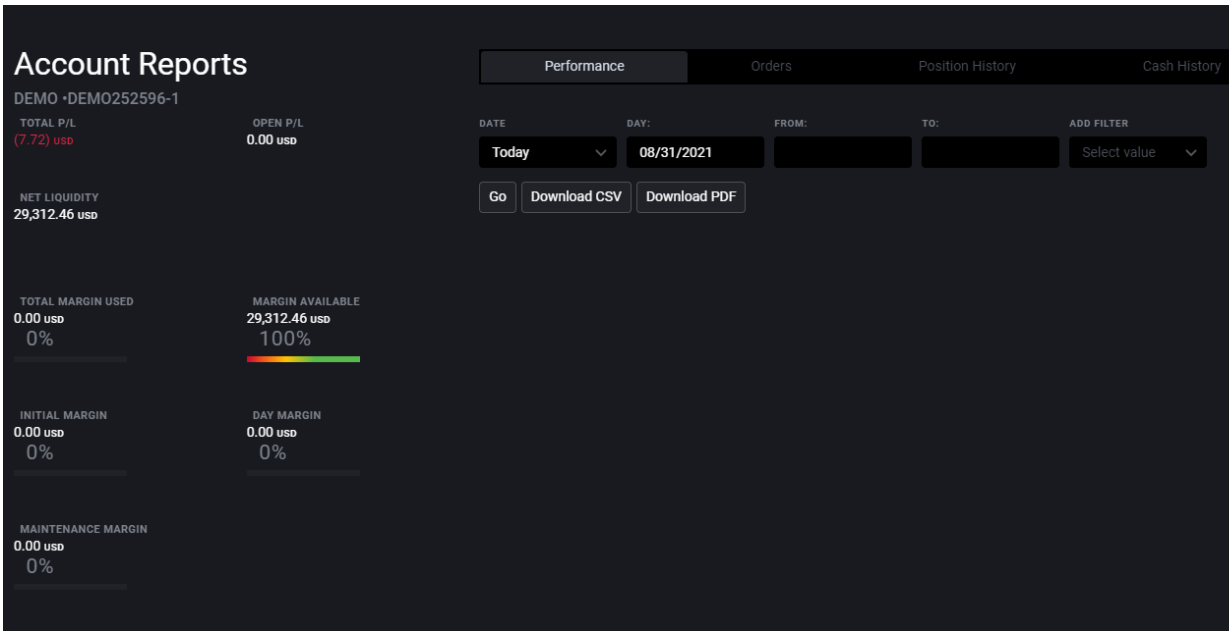


Your bracket order will now be live and will be actioned when you next take a trade. Once a trade is live then the brackets can be moved on the chart or removed completely by selecting the X next to the trade. To switch it off just select OFF in the BRACKETS drop down menu. See this **video** for more on multi-contract bracketed trades.

Reporting

- Tradovate has an extensive reporting suite which can be accessed by the following menu

Then you will see the screen below. This allows you to pull reports on Performance, Orders, Position History, Cash History, Order Details and Fills. Just set your time parameters and hit Go.



Useful Links

As mentioned, Tradovate has an extensive library of tutorials and ‘‘how to’ tools which are accessible via **Tradovate Help** and **YouTube** links on your home screen, see p2.

Here are links to some quick links to sought after content:

- Bracket Orders
- What can you trade