



Valbury MT User Guide

Download and Install MetaTrader

You may have only recently decided to trade Forex. Or, you might be a newcomer to MetaTrader from another platform? Whatever the case, I **congratulate** you for your choice!

MetaTrader is the platform of choice for automating your trades. These are some of features of MetaTrader:

- Operating with different financial markets instruments (FOREX, Futures, CFD);
- Unlimited charts quantity;
- Supports of various timeframes;
- Large number of Indicators, Experts and Scripts shipped with;
- Friendly user interface with multilingual support;
- Secure operating environment (128 bit encoding is used);
- Internal e-mail;
- Real-time data transferring via DDE;
- Receiving on-line news from financial markets;
- Build-in programming language enables you to write/edit your own custom indicators, Expert Advisors and scripts.

Today we are going to take the first step towards profit with this great platform. We are going to download the MetaTrader platform!

These are the steps you will have to take to setup MetaTrader 4:

1- Downloading MetaTrader 4:

If you haven't downloaded the MetaTrader 4 program yet, you can get a free version by going to: http://www.valburyecapital.com/download_software.php, and choosing the latest version of *MetaTrader 4 Client Terminal* (Current version is 4.00 Build 226).

Get a cup of tea if you have a slow internet connection, or a cup of water if you have DSL, while the download takes place (Figure 1).

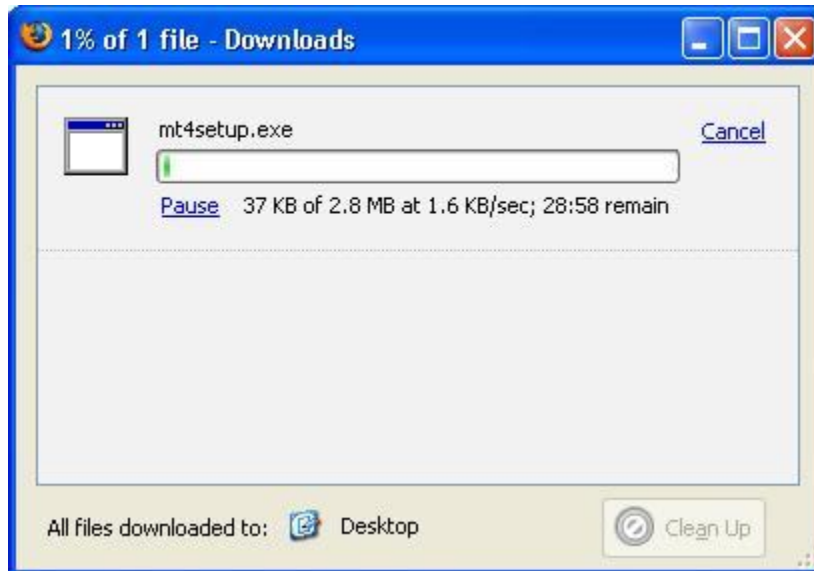


Figure 1 - Downloading MetaTrader 4

2- Installing MetaTrader 4:

When the download completes, double-click the setup program (mt4setup.exe) and you will get a screen like this:



Figure 2 - Choose the language

Choose the language you prefer for the MetaTrader user interface. Then click the Next button to go to the second step.



Figure 3 - Welcome and copyright

The setup program welcomes you and reminds you about the copyright of MetaTrader. Click Next to continue.



Figure 4 - Agreement

The setup program of MetaTrader shows you the End User License Agreement and ask you to select the option "Yes, I agree with all the terms of this license agreement" before continuing the installation of the program. Please check the option box and click Next button.



Figure 5- Installation folder

Here you can change the destination folder where the MetaTrader will be installed or leave the default folder "C:\Program Files\MetaTrader 4".

You can have more than one copy of MetaTrader installed in your machine, but each of them must be installed in a different folder. Choose the folder you want and click Next to continue.



Figure 6 - Program group

Here, you can change the name and place for which the program will appear in your Windows Programs Menu. Keep the default name (or change it if you want) and click Next button.



Figure 7 - "You are now ready..."

Setup will tell you that "You are now ready to install MetaTrader 4."

If you want to change the destination folder you have specified, click the Back button or, if you are ready to install MetaTrader, click Next button.

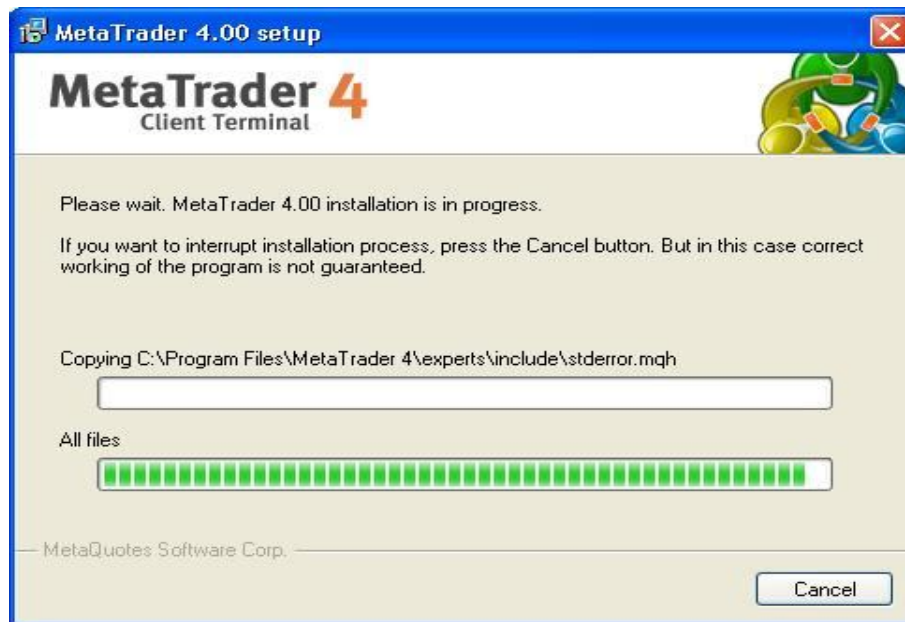


Figure 8 - Copying Files

The setup program will begin extracting the packaged files and copying them into the MetaTrader installation folder. You can click Cancel button anytime during the installation to cancel the process. Be patient as the setup program copies the files. You will automatically go to the next step once copying is complete.

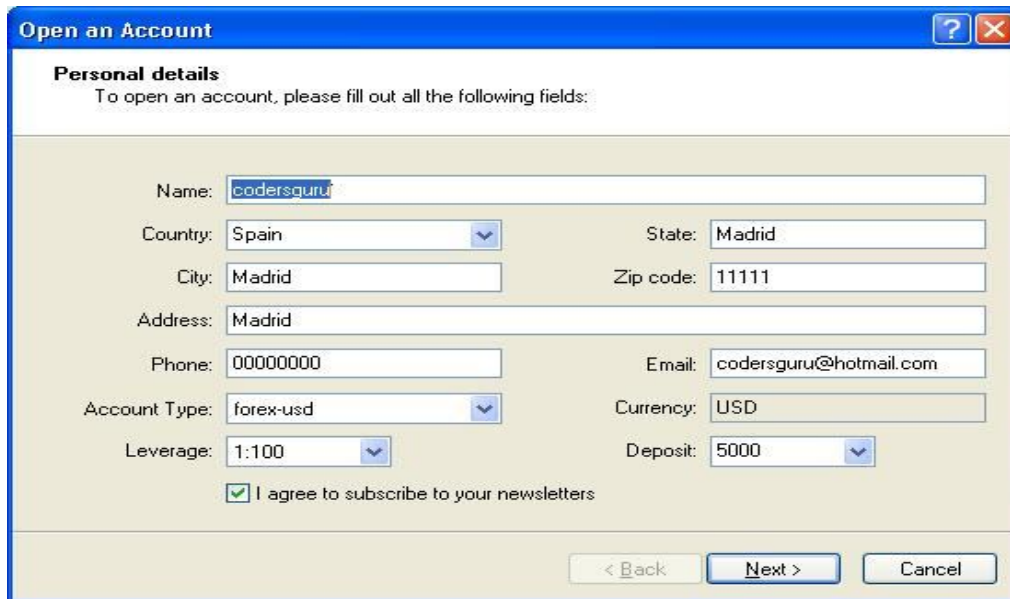


Figure 8 - Finish

Congratulations! You have installed the MetaTrader 4 successfully and are ready to launch it. Click Finish button to start MetaTrading.

3- Creating a demo account:

The first time you launch MetaTrader 4, you will get a form like this:



The screenshot shows the 'Open an Account' dialog box with the 'Personal details' section. The form contains the following fields and values:

- Name: codersguru
- Country: Spain
- State: Madrid
- City: Madrid
- Zip code: 11111
- Address: Madrid
- Phone: 00000000
- Email: codersguru@hotmail.com
- Account Type: forex-usd
- Currency: USD
- Leverage: 1:100
- Deposit: 5000
- I agree to subscribe to your newsletters

Navigation buttons at the bottom: < Back, Next >, Cancel.

Figure 9 - Creating a demo account

Fill-in the form with your data (like the above one) and check "I agree to subscribe to your newsletters" option, then click Next button.



The screenshot shows the 'Open an Account' dialog box with the 'Trading Servers' section. It displays a table of available trading servers:

Address	Company	Ping
InterbankFX-Server	Interbank FX, LLC	391 ms
InterbankFX-Demo	Interbank FX, LLC	3345 ms
MetaQuotes-Demo	MetaQuotes Software Corp.	5308 ms

Below the table is a search bar and a 'Scan' button. Navigation buttons at the bottom: < Back, Next >, Cancel.

Figure 10 - Choose the server

Choose a Trading server that you want to join from the above list. Click the Scan button to check the speed of each server before choosing one of them. You can either choose the fastest server or one that suits your preference (if you've heard of it), and click Next button.

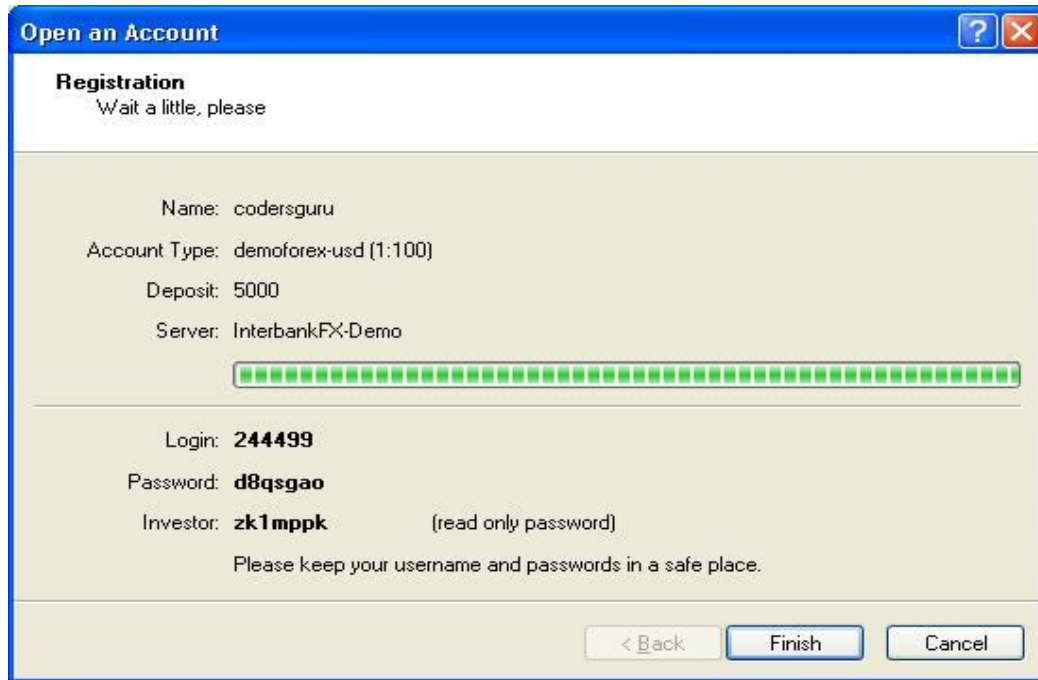


Figure 11- Opening an account

You will be asked to wait a few seconds before receiving your account details. Keep it in a safe place because you'll need your login and password to login to your demo account. Click the Finish button to log into your account and start trading.

4- Logging into your demo account:

If you are a lucky person like me, you will log to your account without errors, and get something like this:

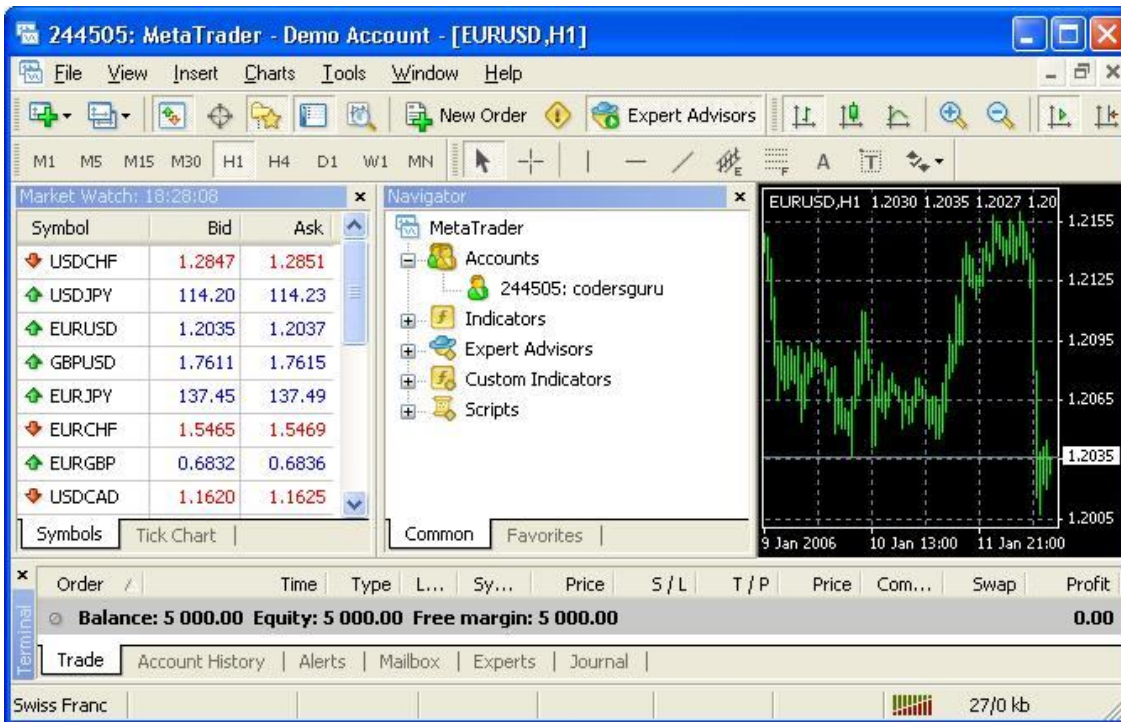


Figure 12- Logging In

Congratulations! You have installed MetaTrader 4, and have a demo account. Enjoy trading!

First session - Modifying an Order!

We have placed our first order in the previous article. Today we are going to learn how to modify and close this placed order.

Let's start with the limits that we can set to an order!

Order Limits:

Order limits are boundaries that you can set to an order to prevent big losses and to ensure that you make a profit as soon as possible.

These are the types of the order limits:

Stop loss:

Stop loss is a limit point that you set to your order. When reached, the order will be closed. This is useful to minimize your lose when the market going against you. Stop losses points are always set below the current asking price on a buy or above the current bid price on a sell.

Trailing Stop:

Trailing stop is a type of stop loss order that is set at a percentage level either below that market price, for a long position, or above the market price, for a short position. The price is adjusted by Expert Advisors as the price fluctuates.

Take profit:

Take profit is similar to stop lose in that it's a limit point you set to your order. When reached, the order will be closed.

There are, however, two differences:

- _ There is no "trailing" point.
- _ The exit point must be set above the current market price, instead of below.

How to Modify an Opened Order (Stop Loss and Take Profit):

Step 1:

In the terminal window, right click on the order you want to modify. From the context menu, choose Modify or Delete Order (Figure 1).



Figure 1

Typically, the Order Window will pop up, but in this case it's in a modification order mode (Figure2).

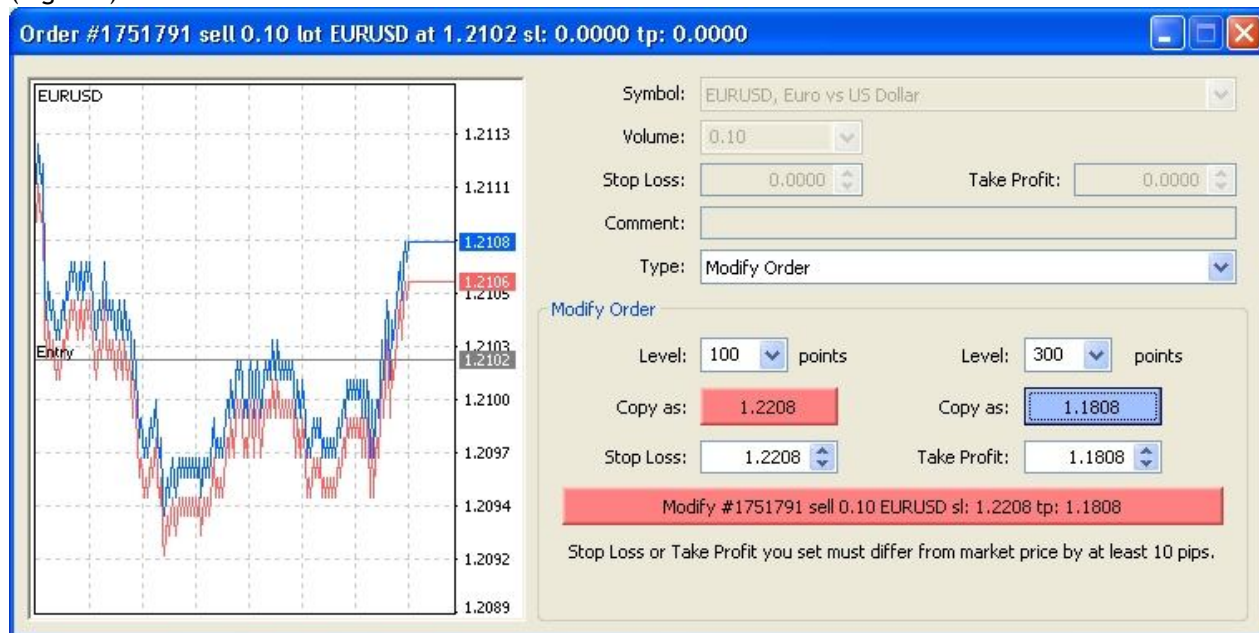


Figure2

Step 2:

In this window you will find two boxes to set (in pips) the Stop Loss and Take Profit prices (Figure 3). When the prices have been set (in pips) for those boxes, you have must click the "Copy as:" buttons under each of the two boxes to let MetaTrader convert your levels into prices.

Or you can write the prices of Stop Loss and Take Profit directly in the Stop Loss and Take Profit combo boxes (Figure 4).



Figure 3

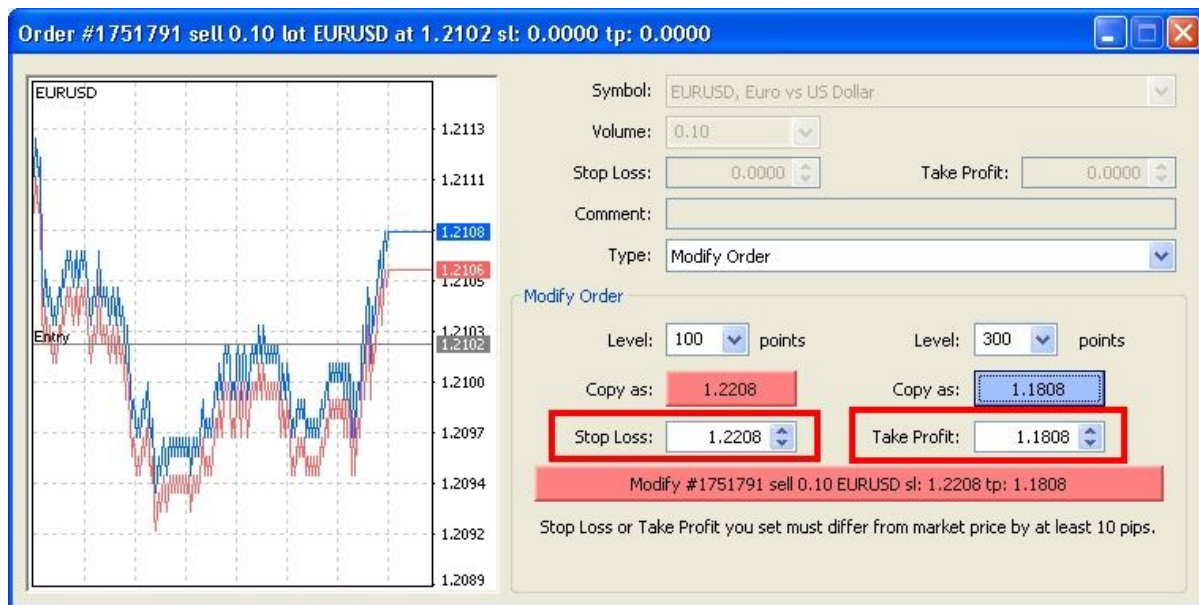


Figure 4

Step 3:

Now you have to click the Modify button (Figure 5) to send your modification to the broker. You will be prompted with a window like figure 6. Click OK button.



Figure 5

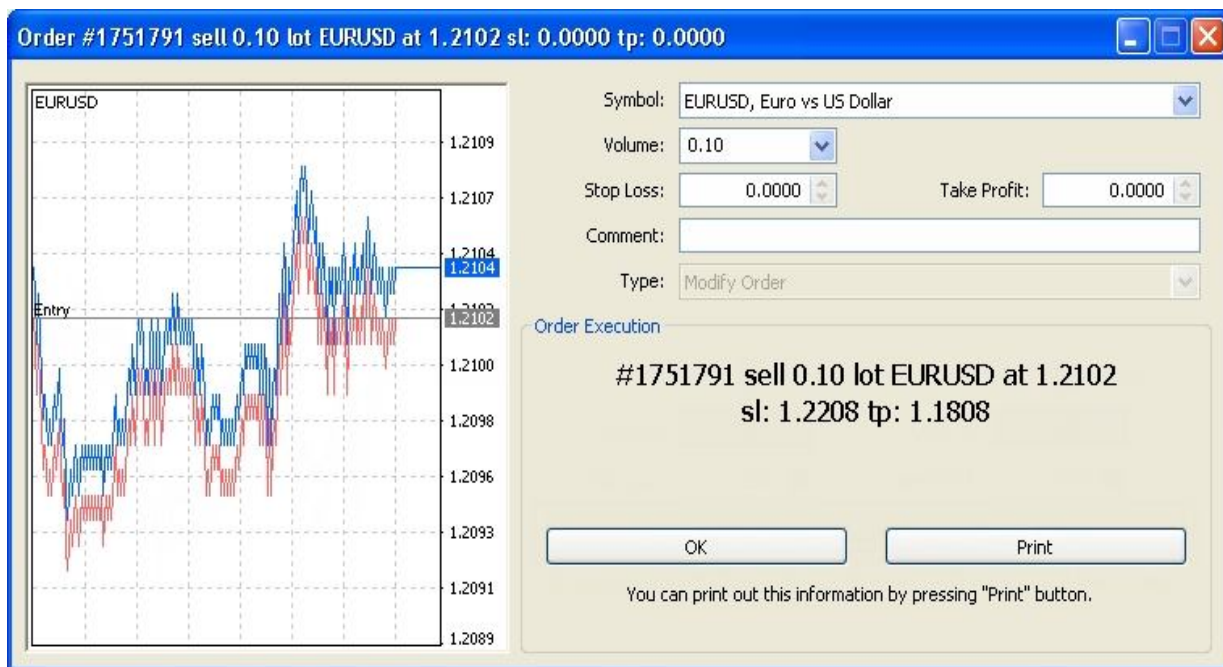


Figure 6

This will set the limits you've chosen to the order and will appear in the terminal window as shown in figure 7.

Order	Time	Type	L...	Sy...	Price	S / L	T / P	Price	Swap	Pr...	/
175...	2006.04.12 16:25	buy	0.10	usdchf	1.2999	1.2899	1.3299	1.2992	0.00	-5.39	
175...	2006.04.12 16:36	sell	0.10	eurusd	1.2102	1.2208	1.1808	1.2104	0.00	-2.00	
175...	2006.04.12 18:01	sell	0.10	gbpusd	1.7503	1.7603	1.7203	1.7501	0.00	2.00	
Balance: 254.63 Equity: 249.24 Margin: 79.21 Free margin: 170.03 Margin level: 314.66%										-5.39	

Terminal

Trade | Account History | Alerts | Mailbox | Experts | Journal |

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Figure 7

Congratulation! You have set the Stop Loss and Take Profit levels to your order. When the price reaches these levels, it will be closed automatically to prevent more losses if the Stop Loss price is the one that has been reached, or take your profit if the Take Profit price is the one that has been reached.

Now, you could ask me, What about setting the Trailing Stop?

How to set Trailing Stop:

The Stop Loss and Take Profit limits, which you have learned to set, were sent to the broker. Even if you close MetaTrader, the broker knows when to stop the order.

But, in the case of Trailing Stop, MetaTrader has to be on because it sends the new Stop Loss level continuously to the broker. If you close MetaTrader, the broker will only know the last Stop Loss level MetaTrader sent before shutting down.

Now let's set the Trailing Stop level to our Order.

Step 1:

In the terminal window, right-click on the order you want to set its Trailing Stop. And from the context menu, choose the Trailing Stop sub-menu (Figure 8). The sub-menu will show you following commands:

Delete All: To delete and all previous Trailing Stops you have set.

None: It means no Trailing Stop level has been set.

15 Points, 20 Points .. 50 Points: These are the default points (Pips) level that you can choose from them. If you not interested in them, you can choose the custom command.

Custom...: Clicking this command will open the Custom Trailing Stop Window (Figure 9), which allows you can set a custom Trailing Stop level. Please note that the Trailing Stop must be greater than 15 Points.

Step 2:

Choose the level from the context menu, or set the custom level, and click OK. The Trailing Stop will be saved. MetaTrader will use this setting to move your Stop Loss level automatically, as long as you running the program.

First session - Placing an Order!

MetaTrader is the platform which enables you to send your orders to a brokerage to Sell or But a currency pair.

Today, we are going to place our first order in MetaTrader.

Placing your first order step by step:

Step 1:

Load your instance of MetaTrader, and log into your account (MetaTrader will automatically log to your default account).

Step 2:

To place an order (Sell or Buy), you have to open the Order window (Figure 1).

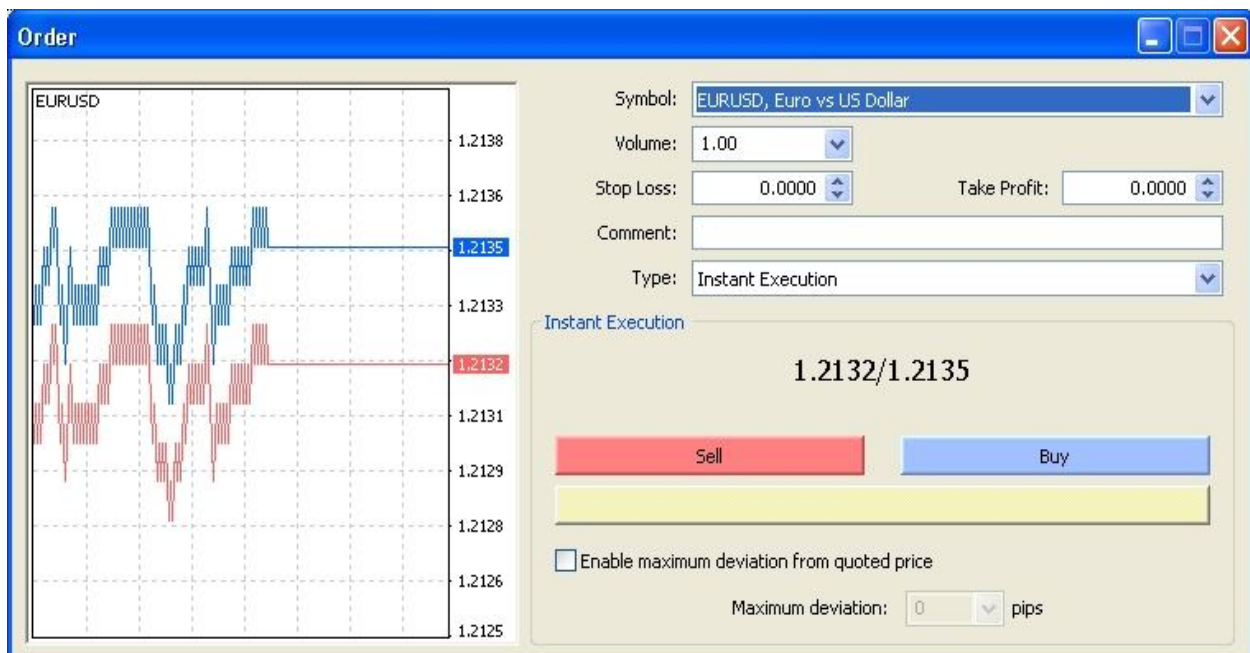


Figure 1

There are several methods that can be used to open the Order window:

You can press F9 hot key.

You can right-click the chart of the currency you want to Buy/Sell, and then choose New Order from the contextual menu (Figure 2).

You can right-click the Market Watch window on the currency you want to Buy/Sell, and then choose New Order from the context menu (Figure 3). Or, you can double-click the currency.

Figure 2

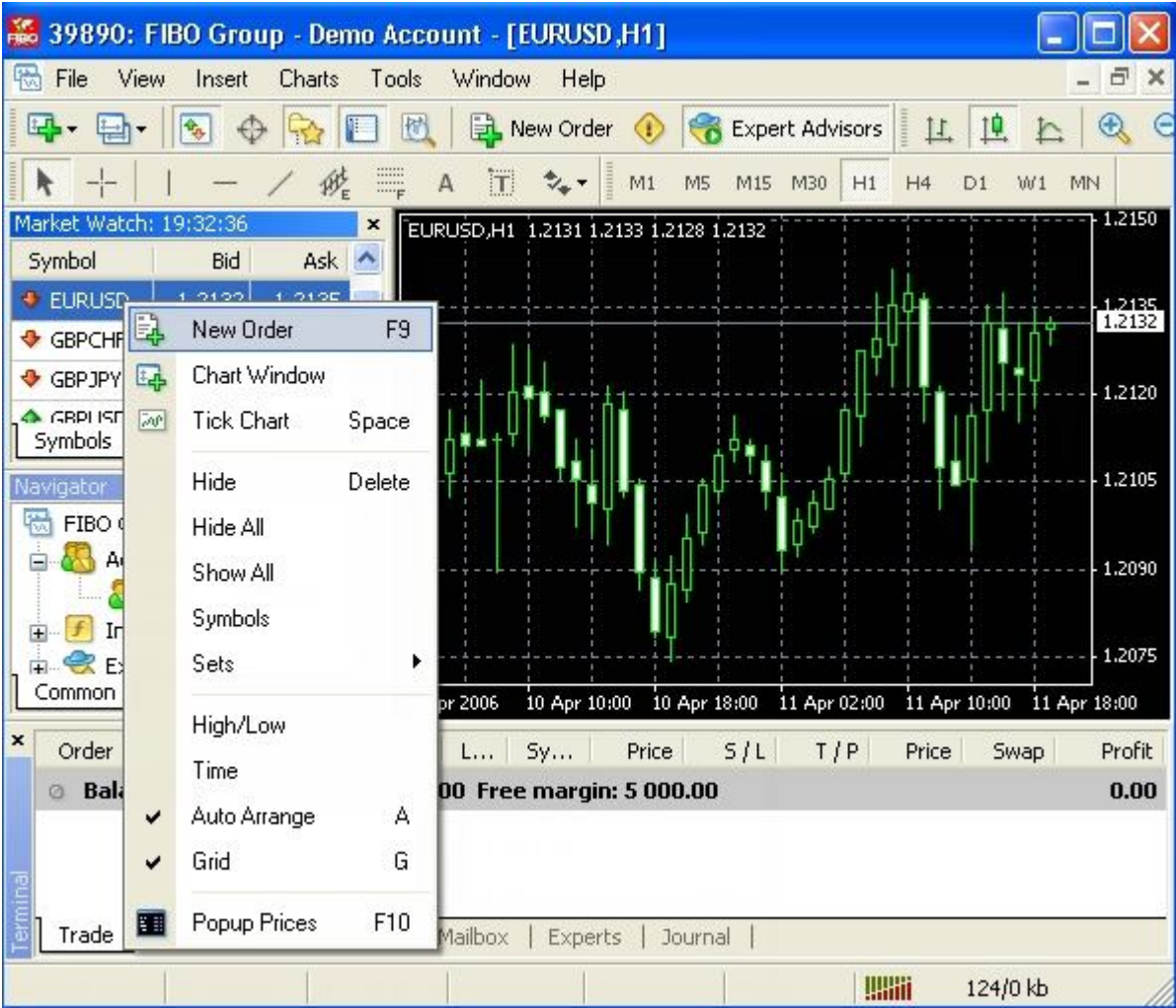


Figure 3

Step 3:

Now, in the Order window (Figure 1), you see two buttons: the Sell and the Buy buttons. You need to decide whether you want to Sell or Buy the currency, and click the appropriate button.

In the Buy order, the ASK price is used to open the order, and in the Sell order, the Bid price is used to open the order.

As you can see in Figure 1, the New Order window allows you to set these options:

Symbol list: This provides a drop down list of all the currencies pair that you can use to open the New Order.

Volume list: This provides a drop down list of predefined volumes that you can choose from for the New Order.

Note: Volume refers to the Lots value.

Stop Loss combo: This is a combo box with up and down arrows that enables you to set the Stop Loss level for the New Order. Use the up and down arrows or write the value of the Stop Loss in the text box. Setting the Stop Loss level is optional.

Take Profit combo: This is a combo box with up and down arrows that enables you to set the Take Profit level for the New Order. Use the up and down arrows or write the value of the Take Profit in the text box. Setting the Take Profit level is optional.

Comment field: Enter the comment text you want to assign to the New Order. Entering text in the Comment field is optional for the New Order.

Type list: You can choose from one of these two options: Instant Execution;
Pending Order.

You have to choose Instant Execution because you want to make a Buy/Sell instantly.

Sell button: Click this button if you want to open a Sell order. Clicking the Sell button will close the New Order window and send the instructions to the broker.

Buy button: Click this button if you want to open a Buy order. Clicking the Buy button will close the New Order window and send the instructions to the broker.

Enable maximum deviation from quoted price option: Enable this option if your server uses price deviation. Enabling this option will activate the list of Pips where you can select a value for the maximum deviation.

Maximum deviation list: Select the maximum deviation pips value.

I chose to buy the EURUSD, so I clicked the Buy button, and this was the result (Figure4).

Clicking OK will place the order by sending it to the broker. You can watch your profits or losses in the terminal window as shown in figure 5.

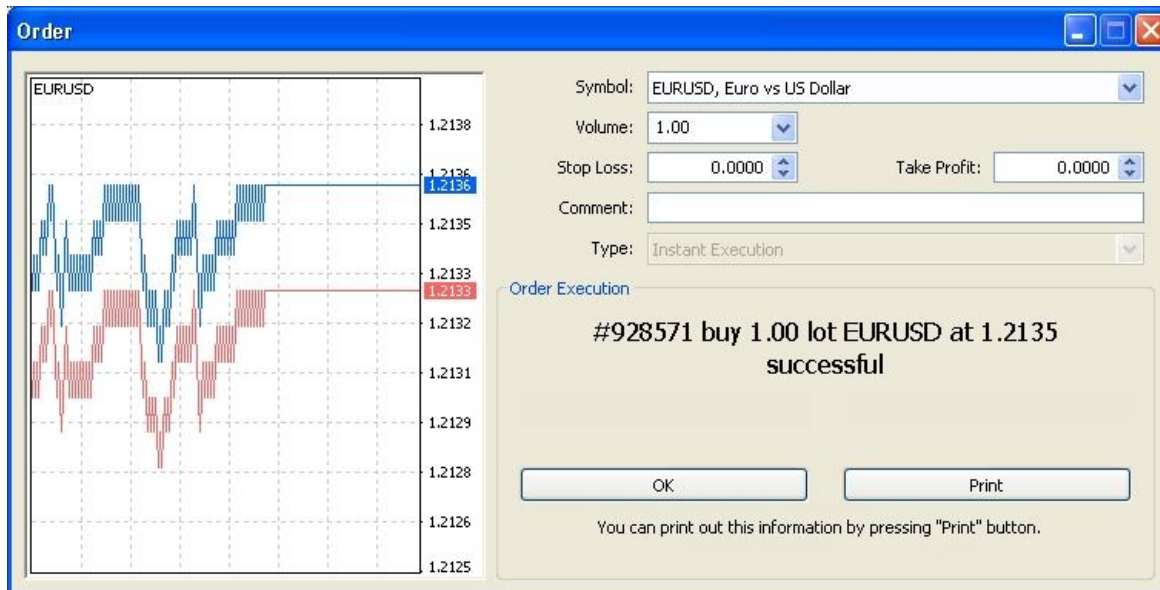


Figure 4

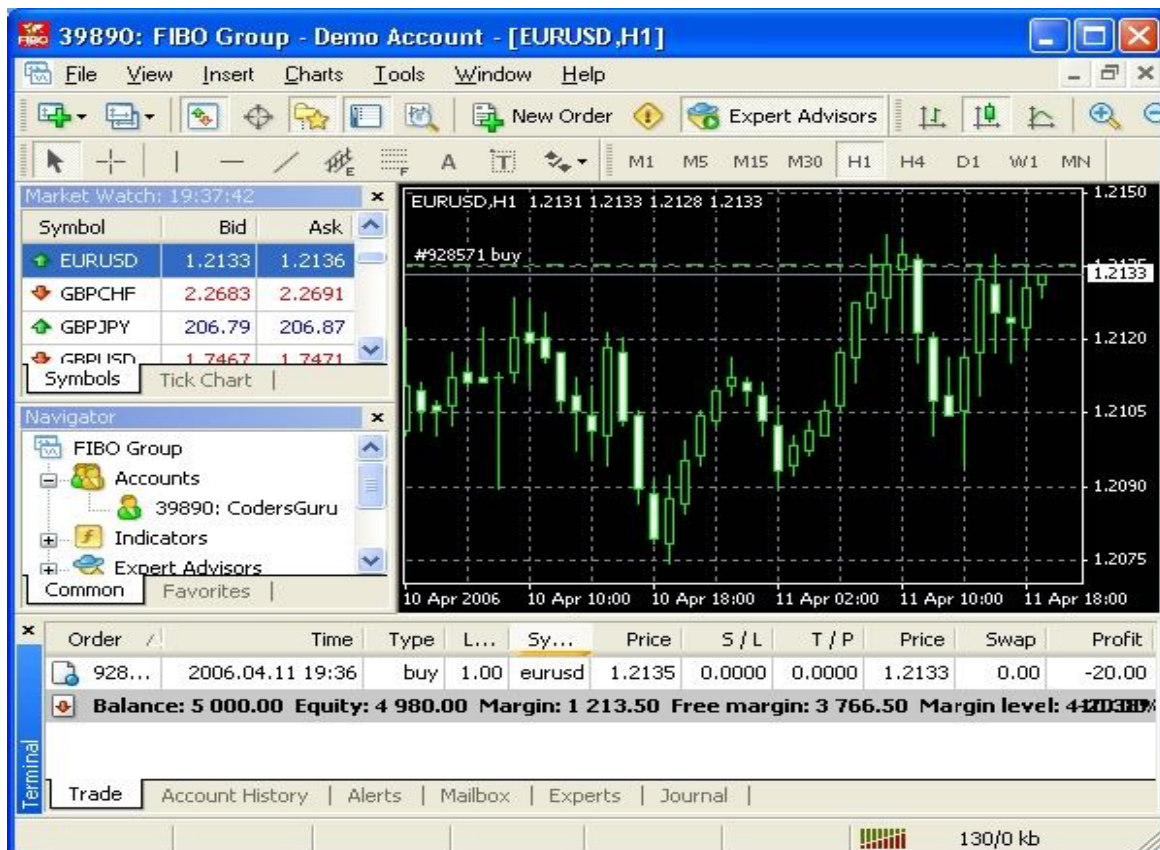


Figure 5

First session trading Forex - Part 1

Today, and in these series of articles, we are going to take the Forex newcomers by the hand and guide them to a better understanding of the fundamentals of the Forex.

The trading dream!

All of us know that the shortest, and maybe the only way to money is trading. We have an imaginary character called Mr. X.

Mr. X wants to trade in cars. He wants to buy cars, and sell them when the price increases.

Mr. X has a big problem. To start his trading, he needs capital. Mr. X has 1000USD, and the price of the car he wants to trade in is 10000USD.

Mr. X is confident that if he has the 10000USD, he can sell the car for 12000USD and make 2000USD net profit.

No one wants to lend Mr. X the capital to start his trading. And, no car company will agree to lend him the car.

Mr. X's problem with capital is the same problem being faced by people around the world, and it's killing their trading dream.

The good news is that you can trade without a capital.

Mr. X can buy the car with his small capital. And, when it sells, he can take the 2000USD profit for himself! Yes, this is possible with Margin Basis Trading!

Trading in margin basis:

With this system, you don't have to pay the whole price of the goods, but you can pay a deposit. And, when you sell the goods, you take the net profit for yourself, or you bear the loss.

Mr. X can buy the 10000USD car with his 1000USD deposit, with the aid of margin basis trading. When he sells the car for 12000USD, he can take the profit and return the 9000USD to the company who sold him the car with his 1000USD deposit.

However, the company who sells the car to Mr. X for his 1000USD deposit has a condition.

Its condition is that Mr. X will not possess the car, but the company will hold it for him. When Mr. X finds a customer to buy the car, the company will sell it to the customer, taking the 9000USD, or the remaining price of the car (10000USD), and give Mr. X the profit.

Mr. X agreed with pleasure!

With the trading in margin basis, you will not possess the goods, but you can trade in it while the company holds the goods for you.

You take the whole profit, and you bear the whole loss.

In our example Mr. X paid 1000USD and he is searching for a buyer for the car. Say, he didn't find a price more than 9000USD for the car.

In this case, Mr. X has made a loss of 1000USD. The Company will take the 9000USD from Mr. X, plus the deposit of 1000USD.

Mr. X thinks if he wait for more days the price will go up again, and he can make profit. However, two days later, the price went down even more. The price of the car now is 8000USD. If Mr. X sold the car at this price, he will lose and the company will lose too!!

In the trading in margin basis, there's a rule: The company couldn't loss!

The company will not wait to the day that the price of the car drops to 8000USD. They will ask Mr. X to sell the car at the price of 9000USD because any drop in the price means the company will also lose and this cannot happen!

This called a "margin call." We will talk about it in more detail later!

Now, the most important thing we need to know is how the company who sold the car to Mr. X gave him a 10000USD car for 1000USD.

This is the leverage!

Leverage:

The company who sold the car to Mr. X gave him the ability to trade in a 10000USD car for 1000USD capital. It had duplicated his capital 10 times and this called 1/10 leverage because the company allowed Mr. X to trade 10 x his capital.

If the leverage of this company was 1/100 that means Mr. X can trade in goods equal to 100000 (100 x his capital 1000).

The leverage is the backbone of trading in margin basis.

First session using Expert Advisors!

Well, I have to use an Expert Advisor to automate my trade.

What is the Expert Advisor?

The Expert Advisor is a piece of code, or some instructions that you give to MetaTrader, written in a specific programming language called **MetaQuotes Programming Language Version 4** (abbreviated to MQL4) that is compiled to a program which stays in front of the terminal and automates your trades for you. It can analyze the chart as any indicator does, as well as at specific conditions, open, modify and close the trading orders.

The Expert Advisor can do anything you can do, except one only thing, it can't do a mistake!

Our task today is to talk to newcomers of MetaTrader who want to know how to use the Expert Advisors in MetaTrader.

Expert Advisors format:

Logically, to use the Expert Advisor, you have to have it.

There are two formats of Expert Advisors that you may already have:

.mq4 format:

If you have the Expert Advisor in **xxx.mq4** format (where the xxx is the Expert Advisor name followed by dot then the mq4 extension), then you have the source code of the Expert Advisor.

Source code means you have the Expert Advisor as a piece of code, written in MQL4. You can open this file in any text editor and read it, but you can't use it in MetaTrader yet. Why?

That's because, MetaTrader can't load this kind of Expert Advisors, and requires an extra step before loading it.

You need to convert this Expert Advisor to another format that MetaTrader can easily understand, **.ex4** format.

Converting .mq4 to .ex4:

MetaTrader can load only the Expert Advisors which have the **.ex4** extension.

The **ex4** files are the executable version of the **mq4**. (Executable means they are not in text format anymore, but they are in binary format).

To convert the mq4 to ex4, you have to do the following:

1. <!--[if !supportLists]--> Open the **mq4** file in the MetaEditor (Figure 1).

MetaEditor is a program shipped with MetaTrader enabling you to write your own Expert Advisors, and to convert them to **ex4** format. To open MetaEditor, you can double-click the **.mq4** file, or you can click the Start button, then Program Files (All Programs in windows XP) and search for MetaTrader menu, then choose MetaEditor (Figure 2). But, if you opened the MetaEditor from the Program Files, you have to click File menu in MetaEditor, then Open command (Figure 3) to browse for the **.mq4** file you want to convert to **.ex4**.

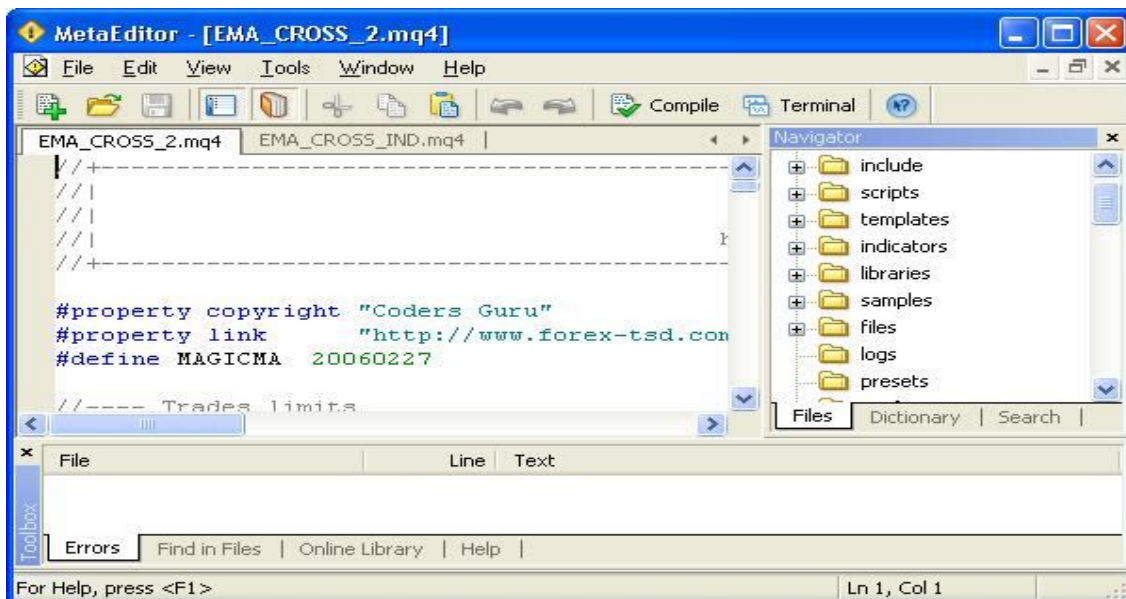


Figure 1 - MetaEditor



Figure 2 - Program Files

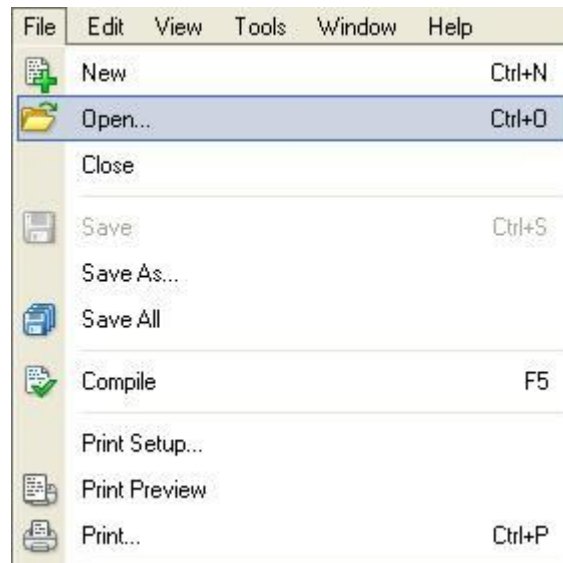


Figure 3 - Open command

2. <!--[if !supportLists]--> <!--[endif]-->After loading the **mq4** file into MetaTrader, go to File menu and choose Compile command (Figure 4) or hit F5.

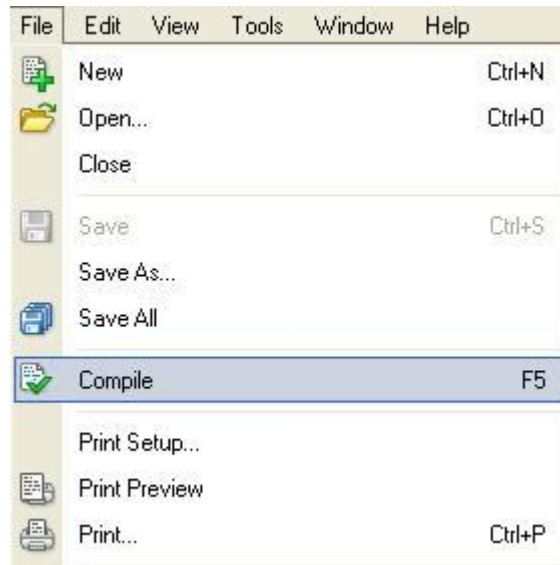


Figure 4 - Compile command

3. <!--[if !supportLists]-->It will produce a filename that is the same name as the **mq4** file, but with **.ex4** file extension. This file will be created in the same path of the **.mq4**.

.ex4 format:

This is the executable version of the Expert Advisor. It's ready for use in MetaTrader, but unfortunately, you can not open it in the text editor to view the source code as it is now in binary format and not text format like the mq4 files.

Wait! You can't load the Expert Advisor into MetaTrader yet.

MetaTrader require extra step before loading the Expert Advisor, which I consider it a shortage in this great program.

You have to copy the .ex4 file to the /experts folder.

You will find the **/experts** folder in the installation folder of MetaTrader.

If you not sure where this folder is located, just right click on the MetaTrader icon and select Properties from the context menu, then click Find Target button (Figure 5).

Congratulations! You can load the Expert Advisor into MetaTrader now and only now.

Loading an Expert Advisor!

Now, that you have the **.ex4** version of the Expert Advisor, and the Expert Advisor is located at **/experts** folder. You are now ready to use the Expert Advisor.

You will find the name of the Expert Advisor in the MetaTrader **Navigator** window (Figure 6).

As you can see in figure 6, the Navigator window is divided to tree of lists; the list which we

interest in is **Expert Advisors** list.

In this list, you will find all the Expert Advisors that are in your /experts folder and, of course, which are already compiled to .ex4 format.

Note: *If you don't see the Navigator window in your terminal or you closed it, you can bring it back by clicking the Navigator button in the MetaTrader toolbar (Figure 7), just by clicking the View menu, and choosing Navigator or simply hitting the CTRL+N hotkeys.*

To load the Expert Advisor from the navigator window, you can do one of two things:

1. Drag the Expert Advisor to the chart you want it to automate. Dragging means selecting the Expert Advisor from the Navigator window, and holding the left button of the mouse while moving the mouse to the chart, then releasing the left button on the chart.
2. Double-click the Expert Advisor you want to attach to the chart. But, be sure you have activated the chart you want to work with. Activating the chart means simply clicking it.

When you load the Expert Advisor to the chart, you will be prompted with the Expert Advisor input windows (Figure 8).

In this window, you can input the required data to the Expert Advisor. For example: Take Profit value, Stop Loss value and Lots value.

Note: *You will get the details of all the inputs of every Expert Advisor from the creator of the Expert Advisor, or from the forum you downloaded the Expert Advisor from.*

You can change the inputs of the Expert Advisor, or you can leave the default values you see in the input window.

After setting the inputs of the Expert Advisor, you need to click OK.

If you are a lucky person, you will see the name of the Expert Advisor on the right upper corner of the chart with a fascinating smile beside it (Figure 9).

If you didn't find this smile icon, it means that the Expert Advisor is not enabled!

Enabling the Expert Advisor:

You have to tell MetaTrader to use Expert Advisor to automate your trade by enabling the Expert Advisor.

From the toolbar of the MetaTrader, you will find Expert Advisors check button (Figure 10). Check button means you can click it to enable the Expert Advisors, and goes to pressed figure, and when you click it again; it disables the Expert Advisor and goes to un-pressed figure (Figure 11).

Note: *When you disable the Expert Advisor the smile icon goes to "x" icon (Figure 12).*

First session using Indicators!

Today we are going to study how to use Indicators in MetaTrader platform.

What is Indicator!

The indicator is a program written in MQL4, which mathematically manipulates the prices and draws lines on the chart.

The Indicators differ from the Expert Advisor in that:

1. The Indicators draw lines on the chart, while the Expert Advisors cannot.
2. The Expert Advisors can Auto-Trade, while the Indicators cannot.

Note: The lines that Indicators can draw are the buffers lines. But the Study Lines (ex: vertical lines, horizontal lines, Arrows and Shapes etc) could be drawn from the Indicator and from the Expert Advisors.

How to load indicator on the chart:

There are two kinds of MetaTrader indicators:

Built-in Indicators set:

This set of indicators is shipped with MetaTrader, and is considered the standard indicators. They are for use only, and cannot be opened for viewing and/or modifying their source code. You can access these indicators from the Navigator window - Indicators list (Figure 1).



Figure 1 - Navigator window - Indicators list

Custom Indicators:

These are the indicators which located at **experts/indicators** folder. Most of these indicators are open source (came in .mq4 format then compiled to .ex4 format). You can open them in MetaEditor to view and/or modify their source code. They can be accessed from the Navigator window - Custom Indicators list (Figure 2).



Figure 2 - Navigator window -Custom Indicators list

To insert an indicator to the chart, you must first **activate** the chart by clicking it. Then, go to the **Navigator** window to choose the indicator you want to insert and right-click on it. You'll get a sub-menu like the one showed in Figure 3.

From this menu, you have to choose "Attach to a chart" command.

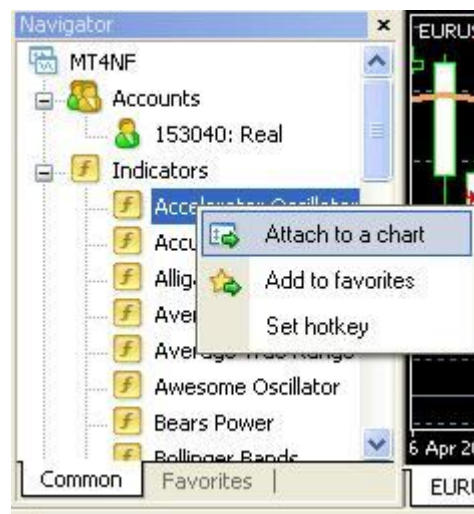


Figure 3 - Indicators sub-menu

You'll be prompted with the Indicator Parameters window (Figure 4) to set the indicator parameters. Clicking OK button in the Indicator Parameters window will attach the indicator to the chart.

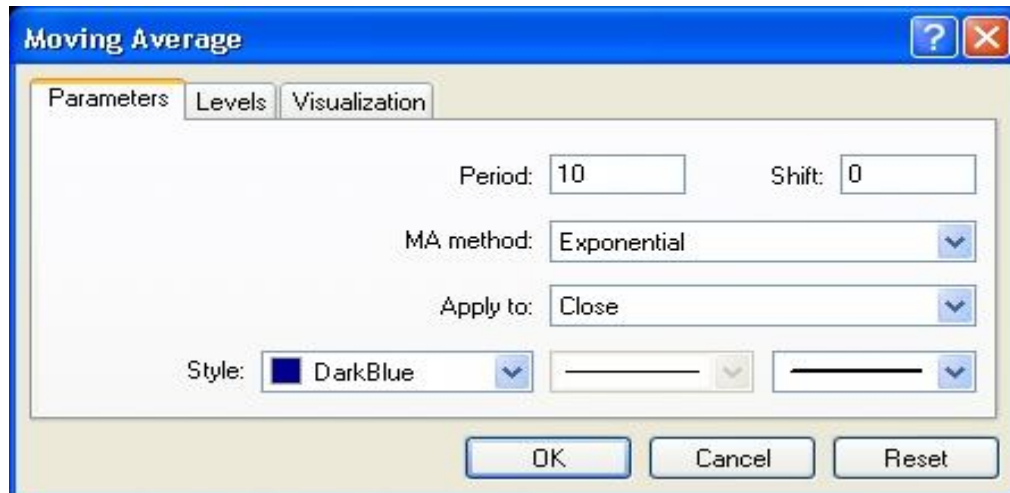


Figure 4 - Indicator Parameters window

Note: You can simply double-click the indicator name in the Navigator window to open the Indicator Parameters window.

Note: In the Insert menu, you will find Indicators sub-menu (Figure 5), where you can find all the built-in indicators grouped in categories (ex: Trends, Oscillators and Volumes), as well as all the Custom Indicator located in the Custom sub-menu. Clicking the indicator name from this menu will open the Indicator Parameters window.

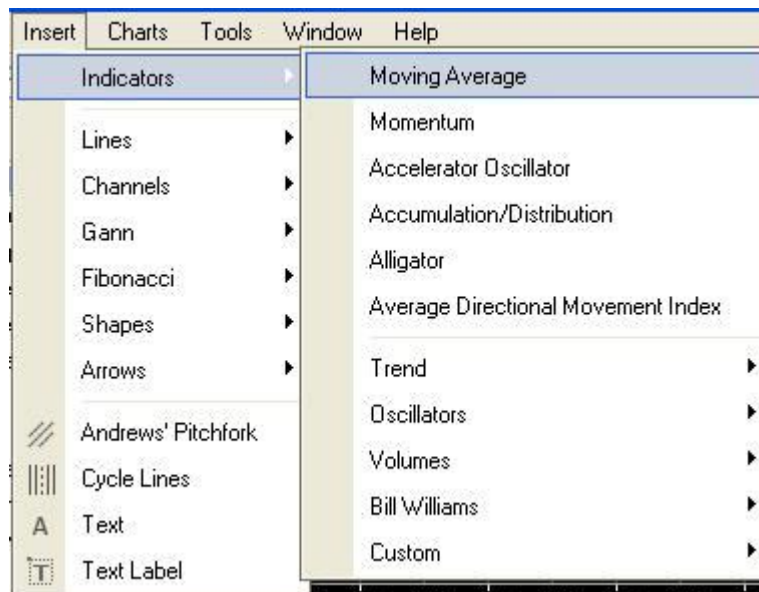


Figure 5 - Insert -> Indicators menu

First session -Using Scripts!

Today we are going to study the use Scripts in MetaTrader. Let's first understand what the Script is.

What is the Script?

The Script is a program written in MQL4. It's very much like the Expert Advisor in that it has the ability to open, close and modify trades. However, there are two differences between the Script and the Expert Advisor.

The Script is executed only once when attached to a chart, while the Expert Advisor that is attached to a chart is executed each time a new quotation arrives.

Another difference is that you must enable the Experts (review the previous article to learn how) prior to using them, while the Scripts don't require enabling.

Hot keys

MetaTrader has a very user-friendly interface, and I think this is one of the most important reasons for its success.

Moreover, to make the world easier for the user, MetaTrader gives you the ability to access its most used functions by using hot keys!

What are the hot keys?

A hot key is a combination of keyboard keys that you press simultaneously to carry out a specific task. You use hot keys everyday and every minute. Just think about CTRL+C. It is a hot key of copying the selected text in most of the programs that operate under MS Windows!

In MetaTrader, you can press a hot key to access a task that you could, alternatively, access from MetaTrader's menu or toolbar (i.e. F9 is the hot key to open new order window).

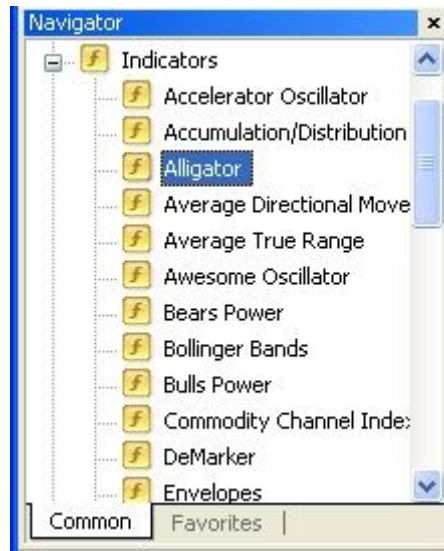
We are going to list all the available hot keys of MetaTrader. But, we need to discuss a very important feature of MetaTrader: Assigning a hot key!

Assigning a hot key!

MetaTrader gives you the ability to assign a hot key to any of your programs, which include Indicators, Expert Advisors and Scripts, for easy access.

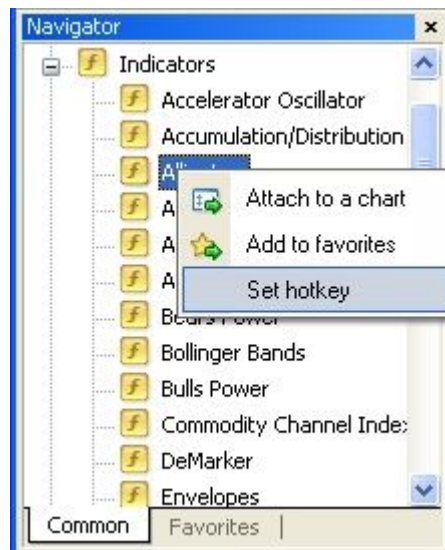
Let us go step-by-step to assign a hot key to one of the indicators:

1- The first step is to go into the Navigator window (Figure 1), and choose the indicator you want to assign a hot key to. Let's say we want to assign the hot key CTRL + G to the Alligator indicator.

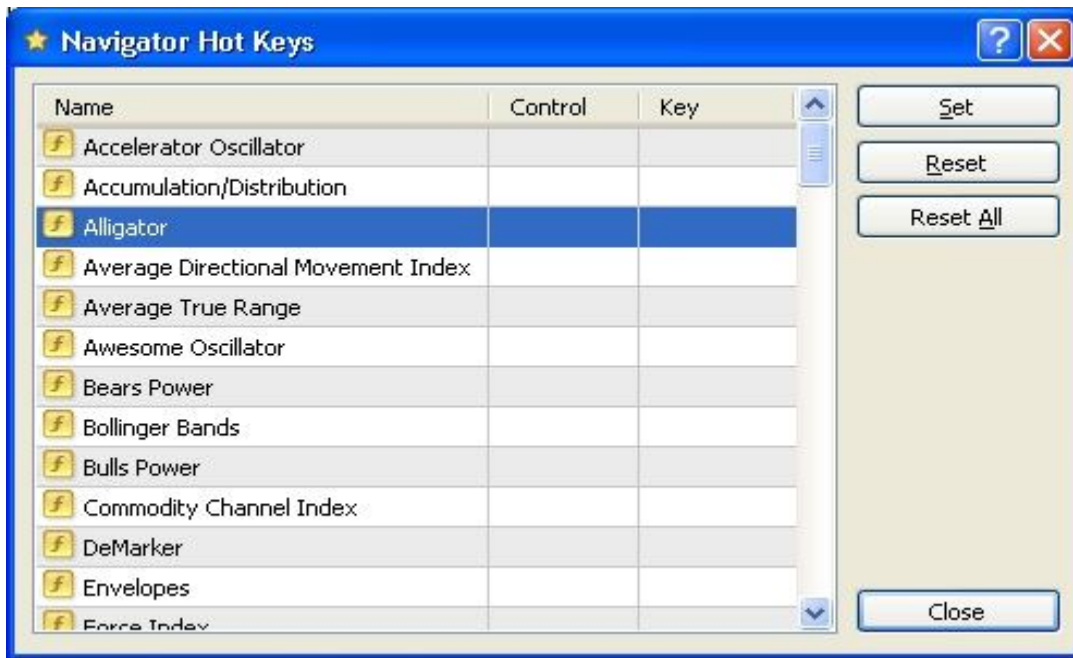


Note: The CTRL + G hot key is already assigned by MetaTrader to hide/show grids. When we re-assign it to the Alligator indicator, the previous assignment will be overwritten. Now, when we press the CTRL + G, the assigned program will not be the show/hide grids, but the Alligator indicator.

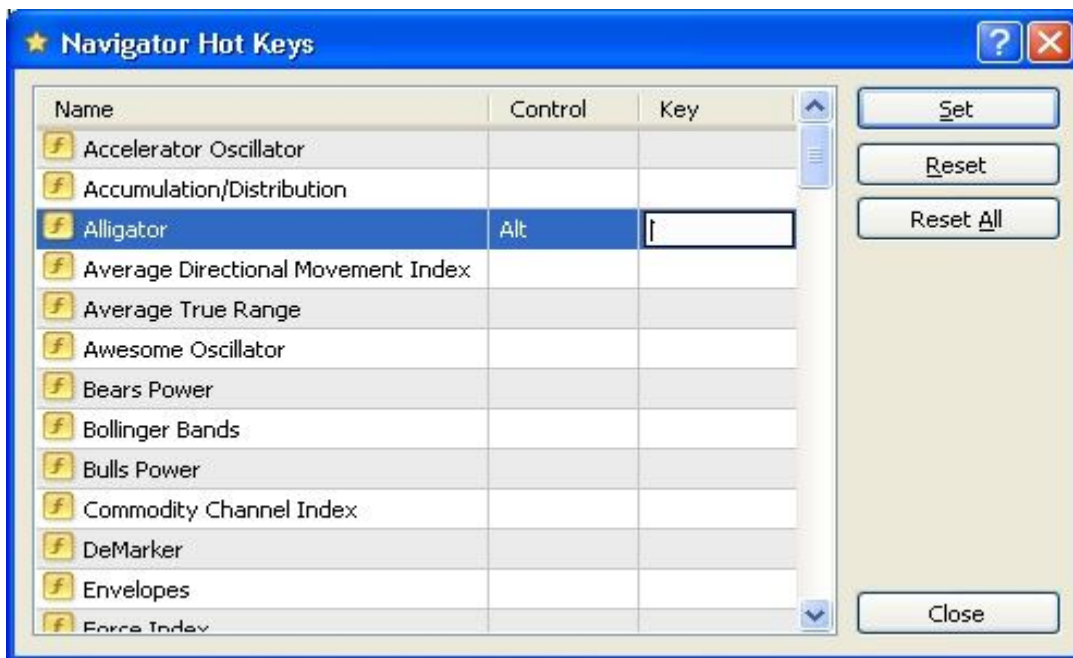
2- Right-click on the Alligator indicator to show the context menu (Figure 2), and choose the Set hotkey command.



3- This will open the Navigator Hot Keys window (Figure 3). Select the Alligator indicator, if not already selected.

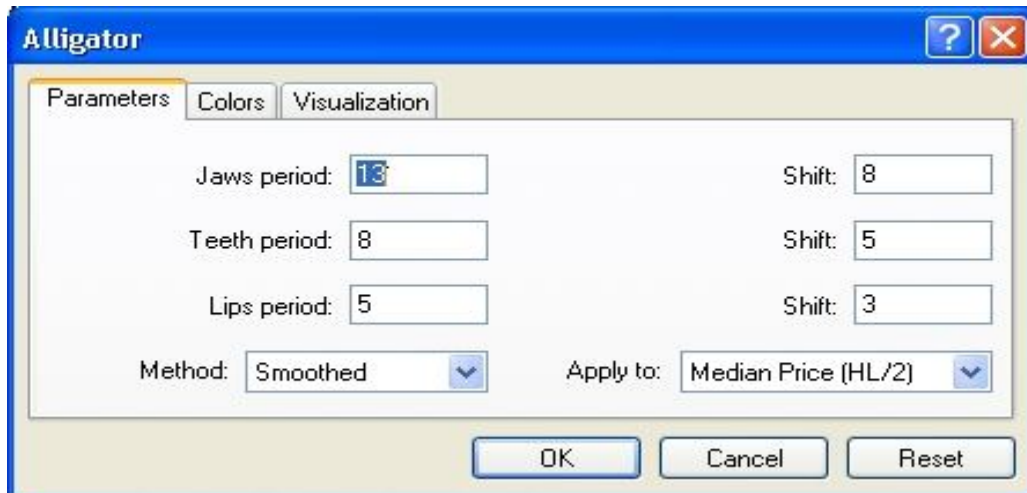


4- Click the Set button, and you will find two fields to complete; one is for the control key (CTRL or ALT), and the other field for the keyboard letter (Figure 4). Set the fields to CTRL and G., and click the Close button!



Note: There are two other buttons in the Navigator Hot Keys window. The Reset button will reset your last entry, and the Reset All button will reset all of your assigned hot keys.

Now, you can click CTRL + G to add the Alligator indicator to your chart (Figure 5).



Hot keys list:

Here's the list of the hot keys available in MetaTrader:

Hot key	Function
←	chart scrolling to the left
→	chart scrolling to the right
↑	fast chart scrolling to the left or, if the scale is defined, chart scrolling up
↓	fast chart scrolling to the right or, if the scale is defined, chart scrolling down
Numpad 5	restoring of automatic chart vertical scale after its being changed. If the scale was defined, this hot key will return the chart into the visible range
Page Up	fast chart scrolling to the left
Page Down	fast chart scrolling to the right
Home	move the chart to the start point
End	move the chart to the end point

-	chart zoom out
+	chart zoom in
Delete	delete all selected graphical objects
Backspace	delete the latest objects imposed into the chart window
Enter	open/close fast navigation window

Esc	close the dialog window
F1	open the MetaTrader user guide
F2	open the "History Center" window
F3	open the "Global Variables" window
F4	download MetaEditor
F5	switch to the next profile
F6	call the "Tester" window for testing the expert attached to the chart window
F7	call the properties window of the expert attached to the chart window in order to change settings
F8	call the chart setup window
F9	call the "New Order" window
F10	open the "Popup prices" window
F11	enable/disable the full screen mode
F12	move the chart by one bar to the left
Shift+F12	move the chart by one bar to the right
Shift+F5	switch to the previous profile