

# **FXTrade Platform User Guide**

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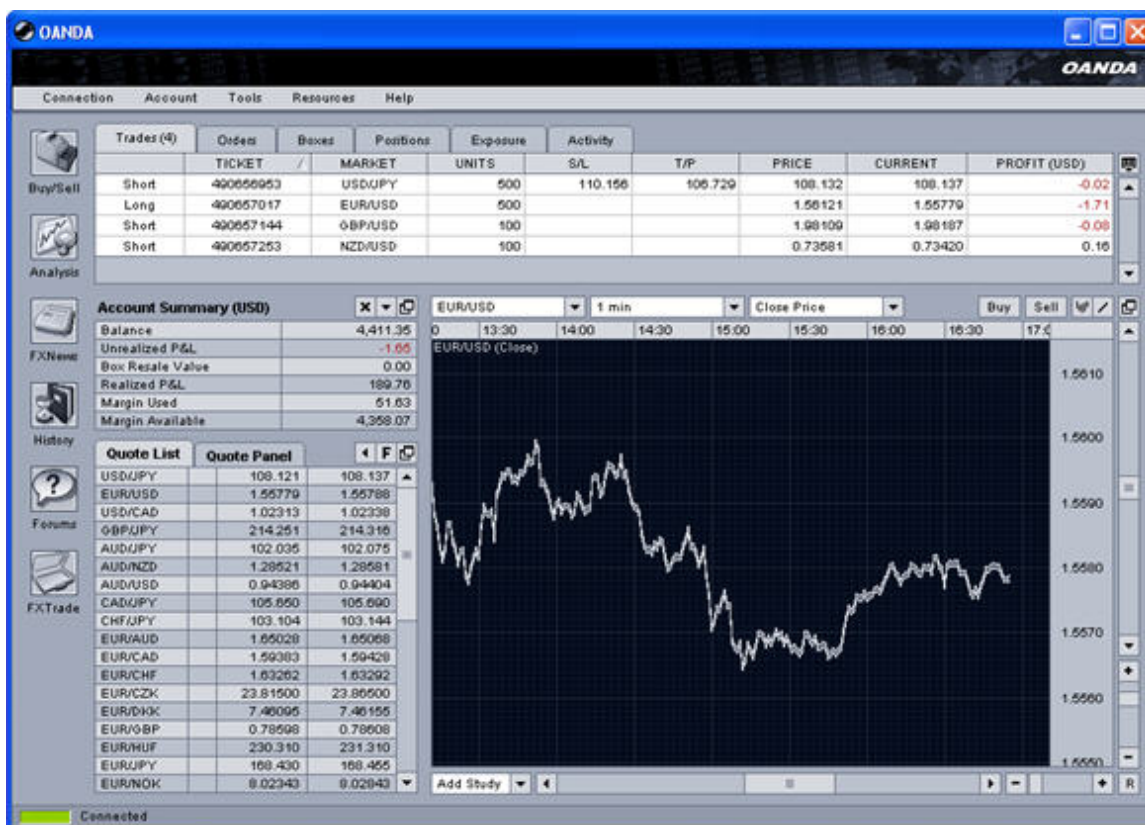
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## Introducing FXTrade

This user guide describes how to use OANDA's FXTrade (and FXGame) Platform interface. If you're not familiar with currency markets and currency trading terminology, consult the [documentation on currency trading](#) available on the FXTrade web site.

## The FXTrade Main Window



**FXTrade Main Window**

The FXTrade Platform window is divided into a number of sections:

- **Action Buttons:** The vertical panel located on the left side of the Platform contains a set of action buttons that allows you to perform operations or access additional information.
- **Pull-Down Menus:** The pull-down menus across the top provide additional functionality.
- **Tables:** The area located across the top of the FXTrade Platform displays various types of activity information in tabular format. Click on a tab to view particular information about your account, such as currently held trades, current open positions, exposure to particular currencies, or the recent Activity Log.
- **Account Summary:** The area in the middle left of the Platform gives a summary of your account.
- **Quote List and Panel:** The area at the bottom left displays the currency rates of your choice, continuously updated in real time.
- **Graph:** Taking up the large part of the window at the bottom-right, the graph displays currency rates over time. It is updated in real time with the latest rates at your chosen

granularity. Click over the graph to choose buy/sell positions, modify existing trades, draw box options, or view trendlines or studies.

## What Is FXTrade?

The **FXTrade** platform lets you interact with the OANDA FXTrade system. Use it to analyze changes in currency exchange rates, review current currency positions, review past transactions, or issue buy and sell requests.

Some of the key benefits of this platform include:

- It can be run on any of the popular web browsers connected to the Internet (or directly from any computer desktop connected to the Internet).
- Currency exchange rates are continuously updated and displayed in real time.
- All pertinent information appears in one window.
- All interaction with the server occurs over fully encrypted Internet connections.

**FXGame** is the practice version of FXTrade. You can use it to trade under real market conditions with real prices and spreads at no financial risk, for as long as you want.

## System Requirements

The FXTrade platform can run on most browsers connected to the Web, or even from your computer desktop if you [download FXDesktop](#).

For detailed hardware and software requirements, go to the [technical requirements](#) web page.

# Getting Started

## Quick Start

This page is for those who don't have the time or patience to wade through an entire user manual. It provides the **quickest way** to do something (not all the ways).

### Place a Trade

1. From the Quote Panel, click the buy or sell side of the currency you're interested in. An order window appears pre-filled with the correct buy/sell button and the currency pair.
2. Choose market or limit order.
3. Type the number of units you'd like.
4. For limit orders, specify your target exchange rate and the length of time before the order expires.
5. Optionally, specify upper and/or lower bounds, stop loss and/or take profit levels.
6. Click Submit.

([Placing a Trade—Details.](#))



### Customize Your Quote List

1. Click the **F** icon just above the Quotes List box.
2. Add all pairs, or just the pair you want.
3. Click Save.
4. Select Tools > Save Current Profile (to save your layout for future sessions).

([Quotes Tab—Details.](#))

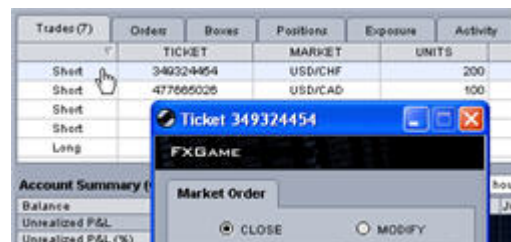


### Close a Trade

1. In the Trades table, click the trade you want to close. The trade ticket window appears. (This same window is used for closing and modifying trades. By default, it is set to close trades.)
2. Click Submit.

(To close all trades, select Account > Close All > Close All Trades.)

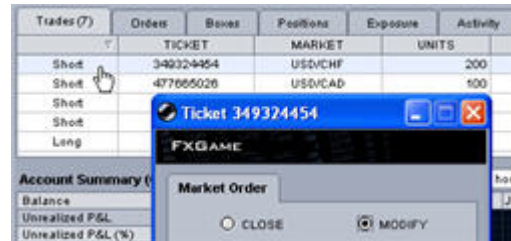
([Closing a Trade—Details.](#))



## Modify a Trade

1. In the Trades table, click the trade you want to modify. The trade ticket window appears.
2. Click the Modify radio button.
3. Add stop loss and/or take profit levels or change existing levels.
4. Click Submit.

([Modifying a Trade—Details.](#))

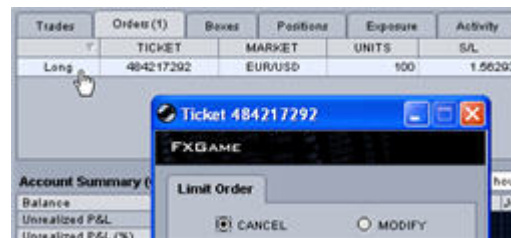


## Cancel an Order

(An open order is a request that a trade should be opened automatically if the exchange rate of the currency pair reaches a specified threshold.)

1. In the Orders table, click on the order. The order's Ticket window appears, which is used for canceling and modifying open orders. By default, it is set to cancel orders.
2. Ensure the Cancel button is clicked, then click Submit.

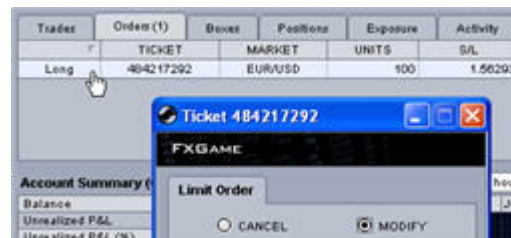
([Canceling an Order—Details.](#))



## Modify an Order


1. In the Orders table, click on the order. The order's Ticket window appears.
2. Click the Modify radio button.
3. Change any of the units, exchange rate, lower bound, upper bound, stop loss, take profit, or duration values.
4. Click Submit.

([Modifying an Order—Details.](#))



## Change Graph Type

1. Locate the three pull-down menus above the graph.
2. Click the third one.
3. Select the graph type you want.

**Note:** To change which values are shown on the graph—ask price, bid price, and so on—click on the Chart Options  button above the graph, the third icon from the right.

([Changing Graph Type—Details.](#))



## Draw Trendlines

1. Click the Draw Trendlines button located above the graph, the second icon from the right. A menu appears listing simple and advanced trendlines.
2. Select the type of trendline you want to draw. (For details, see the section on [Trendlines.](#))
3. Place the cursor where you would like the trendline to begin, and click. (For horizontal and vertical trendlines, simply click once to place the line.)
4. Move the cursor where you would like the trendline to end, and click.



## Observe Market Sentiment

1. From the **Resources** menu, select **Open Orders Statistics**, **Open Trades Statistics**, or **Long-Short Ratios**.  
These tools provide instructions showing you how to interpret these statistics.  
(For more information, go to the web page on [OANDA's Open Order Book.](#))

## See Your Total Risk to Each Currency

1. Click on the **Exposure** tab.  
The overall long or short positions are shown for each currency you have exposure to.

## Check the Interest Rates Charged by OANDA

1. Select **Resources > Interest Rates**.
2. Select the date(s) and the currency you're interested in.  
The interest rates appear with the BID (borrowing) and ASK (lending) rates. You receive the BID rate on the base currency you long and pay the ASK rate on the base currency you short, and vice versa for the counter currency.

([OANDA Interest Rate Calculation—Details.](#))

### ***Check Your Account History***

1. Click on the **History** action button. The Full Transaction window appears in your browser.
2. To narrow your search, select whether you'd like transactions for a specific date or a range of dates.
3. Click the **Filter** button to filter your results.



([Transaction History—Details.](#))

### ***Check Your Current Leverage***

1. Select **Account > Account Details**. (A window appears.)
2. The margin ratio (called "Margin Rate") is listed for each account in the right column.

### ***Change Your Leverage***

1. Select **Account > Change Leverage**. A window appears.
2. Type your user name, password, and your account number. (The account number can be for a primary account or sub-account.)
3. Select the new leverage amount you'd like.
4. Click **Submit**.



# Log In, Log Out, Disconnect, Lock

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## Log In

1. Before you can log in to FXTrade or FXGame, **you must be a registered user** and obtain a user name and password. ([Register for a free FXTrade account](#) or [open a free FXGame practice account](#).)
2. Log in from a Web browser (for [FXTrade](#) or [FXGame](#)). You can also [install FXDesktop](#) to log in directly from your desktop.

Logging in requires that you provide a username and password. Both the username and password are **case sensitive**.

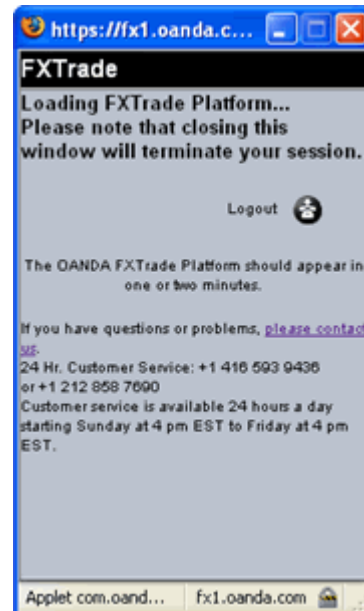
(If you've forgotten your password, go to the [FXTrade Retrieve Password](#) web page to have it sent to you by email.)

3. If you enter the username and password correctly, a small window appears indicating that the FXTrade Platform is loading (see the image to the right).

**Do not close this small window** or it will close the FXTrade platform. However, you can minimize it so it's not in your way.

4. After a short time, the main FXTrade window appears.

If you are having trouble logging on to the platform, go to our [Troubleshooting](#) page.



## Log Out

You can log out of the FXTrade platform in several ways:

- From the platform's menu, select **Connection > Quit**. This disconnects you from the server and closes the application completely.
- Close the small pop-up window that appeared when you first opened the platform, or click its **Logout** button. This disconnects you from the server and closes the application completely.

## Disconnect

You can disconnect the FXTrade platform from the OANDA FXTrade server to reduce computer or network resources. The main platform window stays open so you can stay logged in and quickly reconnect later.

To disconnect, select **Connection > Disconnect** from the platform menus, or click on the connection meter at the bottom left of the FXTrade window:



## Lock

For your privacy or security, you may want to lock the FXTrade platform. If you do so, you will need to type your password to access it later.

To lock the FXTrade platform immediately, select **Connection > Lock**.

To set up the platform so it locks automatically after a certain period of inactivity, go to the [Misc tab of the User Preferences window](#).

## Issue Market or Limit Orders

### *In this section:*

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## Types of Orders

For important information on how orders are processed on the FXTrade Platform, please review the web page, [Understanding FXTrade Orders](#).

**Market Orders** are executed when they are submitted and become trades to buy or sell based on the market exchange rates in effect when the order is executed. Market Orders can be closed at any time (with the difference between execution rates and current market rates paid or charged). Market Orders can have Take Profit or Stop Loss Orders attached to them so they're closed automatically when certain criteria are reached, and upper and lower bounds to ensure they're executed at a rate close to the one in effect when the Order was submitted.

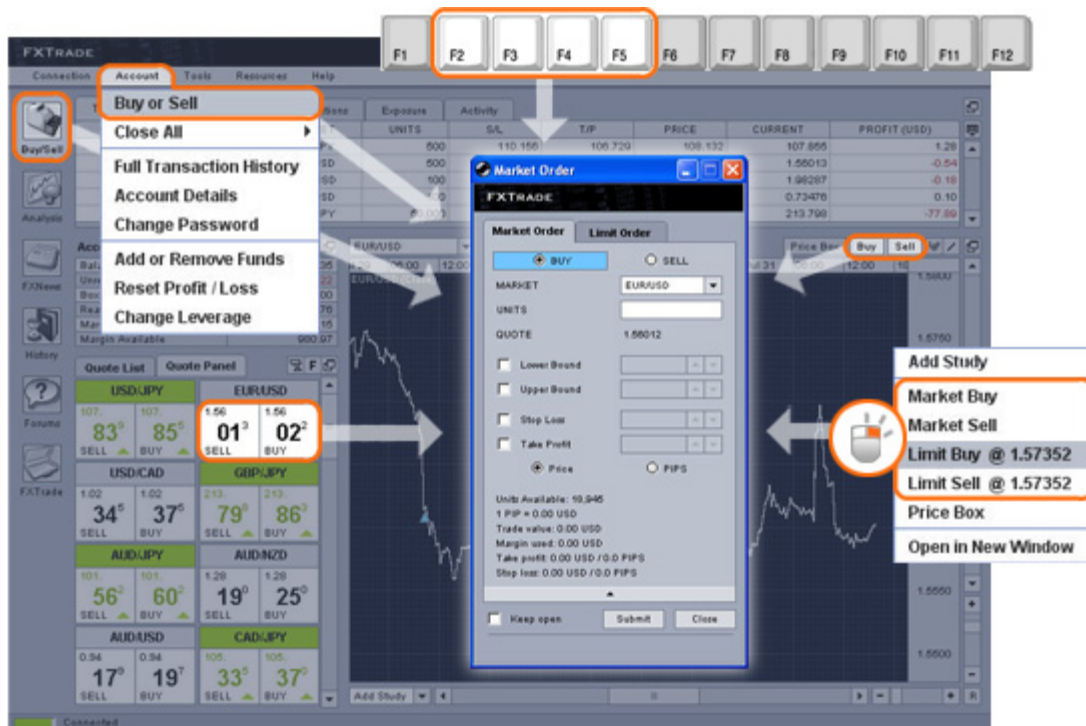
**Limit Orders** are executed (become a trade) only when certain criteria are met. For example, when the exchange rate reaches a specified threshold before a specified expiry time. Limit orders, if executed, become trades to buy or sell based on the exchange rate at the time of execution.

## Open the Buy/Sell Window to Place Orders

You issue Market Orders or Limit Orders for either buy or sell trades from the Buy/Sell window. (You can select the type of order by clicking the window's tabs. A Market Order is the default type.)

You can open the Buy/Sell window in a variety of ways:

- Choose *Buy or Sell* under the [Account](#) menu.
- Click on the Buy/Sell [Action](#) button.
- Click on the bid or ask price in the [Quote List or Quote Panel](#).
- Press the keyboard shortcuts: F2 (Buy Market), F3 (Sell Market), F4 (Buy Limit), or F5 (Sell Limit).
- Click the graph at the value you want and select the order type from the menu that appears. The Buy/Sell pop-up window appears once you've made your selection.
- Click the Buy button or the Sell button above the graph at the top right.



*Access the Buy/Sell window in various ways*

### Default Fields

The fields of the Buy/Sell window are filled in depending on how you open the window or which preferences you've set up. You can preset the default number of units, upper/lower bounds, and stop loss/take profit values in the [Trading tab of the User Preferences](#) window. (Select **Tools > User Preferences**.)

## Place a Market Order

Market orders are executed when they are submitted. They are executed at the current market price, unless it's outside of upper and lower bounds optionally set by the user.

To place a market order:

1. Open the Buy/Sell window (shown to the right) using any of the methods listed above.

**Note:** If the window title is "Limit Order", click the Market Order tab to change it.

2. Define the bid or offer, including the position (Buy/Sell), the market (currency pair), and the number of units.

(See below for a complete description of all the options. You can click the arrow below the options to reduce or expand the number of options available.)

By default, the upper bound, lower bound, take profit, and stop loss are not set. To set them, click the corresponding check box. Their initial default values are determined by the settings in the [Trading tab of the User Preferences](#).

Change the field values using the



buttons, or by typing a new value. Click the radio buttons under these values to view them by quoted price or by difference in pips.

3. If you define bounds or stop loss/take profit values, check the information provided below these options to verify your order.
4. When you are ready, click the **Submit** button.

If the order is successful and a trade occurs, then an acknowledgement window appears with a ticket number that you can use for future reference.

(You can disable or enable trading confirmation windows in the Trading tab of the [User Preferences](#) window.)

5. The [Trades](#) and [Activity](#) tables are updated and the aggregated effects from this new trade are reflected in the [Positions](#) and [Exposures](#) tables.

**Buy/Sell Window for a Market Order**

### Important Note

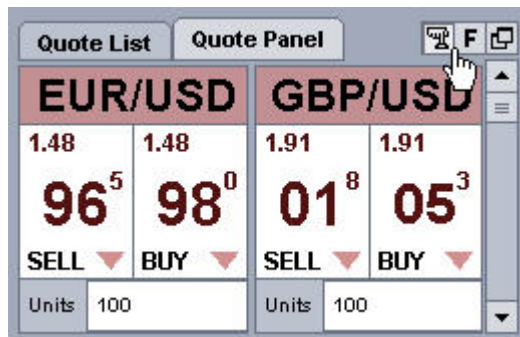
If an order is successful and a trade is executed, the exchange rate obtained for the trade will correspond to the most current exchange rate maintained at the OANDA FXTrade servers and

not necessarily the rate you saw in the Buy/Sell Market Order window. This is because the rate may change due to market conditions during the time it takes to process and confirm the order.

To control this situation, you can set lower and upper bounds. The trade will be executed only if the exchange rate at the time of execution is between the two bounds. (You are not required to use lower and upper bounds when requesting a market order.)

## Place a Market Order with One Click

1. From the [Quote Panel](#), click the One-Click Mode button:



The Quote Panel adds Units fields (as pictured above) in which you can change the size of the trade. These fields are pre-filled with default values.

2. Scroll to the currency pair you want to trade, verify and update the number of units you want to trade, and then click the BUY or SELL side of the quote.
3. By default, a verification window appears for you to confirm your trade. (To avoid seeing this window, de-select the Confirm One-Click Trades preference in the [Trading tab in the User Preferences window](#).)

## Market Order Options

**Buy/Sell** Choose between buy (long) and sell (short).

To find out about the differences between buy and sell, refer to the [trading basics](#) section on the FXTrade web site.

**Market** Choose the currency pair you wish to buy or sell from the pull-down menu.

This field shows the following currency pair by default:

- If you click the Buy or Sell button, the currency pair currently shown in the graph.
- If you click the bid or ask price for a particular currency pair in the Quote panel, respectively, the sell or buy order for that currency pair.

(To find out about the three-letter acronyms used for currency codes, go to [FXLookUp](#).)

<b>Units</b>	<p>The number of units of the currency pair you wish to buy or sell, expressed in terms of the base currency of the pair.</p> <p>You can use the following shortcut abbreviations when typing: k = thousand (that is, 10k = 10,000), m = million (that is, 1m = 1,000,000).</p> <p>You can set a value that will always appear by default in this field on the <a href="#">Trading tab of the User Preferences</a>.</p>
<b>Quote</b>	This read-only field is constantly updated to show the most recent exchange rate for the selected currency pair.
<b>Lower Bound</b>	The order will result in a trade only if a price is obtained from the OANDA FXTrade servers that is higher than or equal to this limit.
<b>Upper Bound</b>	The order will result in a trade only if a price is obtained from the OANDA FXTrade servers that is lower than or equal to this limit.
<b>Stop Loss</b>	If the order results in a trade, then this stop loss value will be associated with the trade. Setting a stop loss limit protects against the possibility of losses "running away" from you. Use this feature as "insurance" if there's a sudden movement in the market at a time when you are experiencing computer problems or are away from your trading screen.
<b>Take Profit</b>	If the order results in a trade, then this take profit value will be associated with the trade. Setting a take profit limit closes a position at a specified level, thereby locking in your expected profits.

### ***Read-Only Information***

The following read-only fields, shown at the bottom of the Buy/Sell window, provide information on your account and on your proposed trade. These values are automatically updated when you change the other fields in the window.

<b>Units Available</b>	The maximum number of units of the base currency that you can trade for the chosen currency pair. This value is based on your available margin funds. If you already have a position in the pair and you select the opposite trade, the units released from closing the existing trade are added to the total number of units.
<b>PIP Value</b>	Shows the profit or loss in the account's home currency for a 1-pip change in the exchange rate.
<b>Trade Value</b>	The total cost of the trade, in the account's home currency.

<b>Margin Used</b>	The amount of your account's margin used by this trade.
<b>Take Profit</b>	The total amount gained if the exchange rate reaches the Take Profit level, shown in the account's home currency or in pips. (This value is 0 if you haven't set a Take Profit.)
<b>Stop Loss</b>	The maximum amount lost if the exchange rate reaches the Stop Loss level, shown in the account's home currency or in pips. (The value is 0 if you haven't set a Stop Loss.)

## Place a Limit Order



**Limit Orders** are executed when the exchange rate reaches a specified threshold, before a specified expiry period.

To place a limit order:

1. [Open the Buy/Sell window.](#)
2. Click the Limit Order tab (see the picture to the right).
3. Define the order, including the position (Buy/Sell), the market (the currency pair), the number of units (in the base currency), the quote (your target currency value), and the order's expiry period.

(See below for a complete description of the options. You can click the arrow above the Submit button to expand/reduce the number of options available.)

By default, the upper bound, lower bound, take profit, or stop loss are not set. To set them, click their corresponding check box. Their initial default value is determined by the settings in the [Trading tab of the User Preferences](#).

Change the field values using the   buttons, or by typing in a value. Click the radio buttons under these values to view them by quoted price or by difference in pips.

**Buy/Sell Window for a Market Order**

4. Check the information provided at the bottom of the window to verify the order.
5. When you are ready to issue the order, click the **Submit** button.

An acknowledgement window appears with a ticket



number that you can use for future reference. (You can disable or enable trading confirmation windows in the Trading tab of the [User Preferences](#) window.)

6. The [Orders Table](#) and [Activity Table](#) are updated to reflect the order. The ticket number appears beside its entry.

### ***Important Notes***

- Click on an open order in the [Orders Table](#) to modify its options.
- You must manually close an order. Closing the browser or disconnecting from the system will not close it.

### ***Limit Order Options***

- Buy/Sell** Choose between buy and sell.  
To find out about buy and sell, refer to the [trading basics](#) section on the FXTrade web site.
- Market** Choose the currency pair you wish to buy or sell from the pull-down menu.  
This field shows the following currency pair by default:
- If you clicked the Buy/Sell button, the currency pair currently shown in the graph.
  - If you clicked the bid or ask price for a particular currency pair in the Quote panel and then clicked the Limit Order tab, respectively, the sell or buy order for that currency pair.
- (To find out about the acronyms used for currency codes, go to [FXLookUp](#).)
- Units** The number of units of the currency pair you wish to buy or sell, expressed in terms of the base currency of the pair.  
You can use the following shortcut abbreviations when typing: k = thousand (that is, 10k = 10,000), m = million (that is, 1m = 1,000,000).  
You can set a value that will always appear by default in this field on the [Trading tab of the User Preferences](#).
- Quote** The target rate. The order will request a trade when the exchange rate for the selected currency crosses this target rate.
- Expires** The amount of time before the limit order will expire.  
Use the pull-down menu to choose from periods ranging from one hour to one month (the default is one week). The exact expiry time is displayed at the bottom of the window.

<b>Lower Bound</b>	When the quoted rate is reached and a trade is automatically requested, the order will result in a trade only if a price is obtained from the OANDA FXTrade servers that is higher than or equal to this limit. (If the order is not executed, it is canceled.)
<b>Upper Bound</b>	When the quoted rate is reached and a trade is automatically requested, the order will result in a trade only if a price is obtained from the OANDA FXTrade servers that is lower than or equal to this limit. (If the order is not executed, it is canceled.)
<b>Stop Loss</b>	The Stop Loss Limit comes into effect if the order becomes a trade. Setting a stop loss limit protects against the possibility of losses "running away" from you. Use this feature as "insurance" if the market suffers a downturn at a time when you are experiencing computer problems or are away from your trading screen.
<b>Take Profit</b>	The Take Profit Limit comes into effect if the order becomes a trade. Setting a take profit limit closes a position at a specified level, thereby locking in your expected profits.
<b>Expires</b>	This read-only field shows the exact date and time when the order will expire. It is updated based on the expiry period you chose.
<b>Units available</b>	This read-only field shows the maximum number of units of the base currency that you can trade for the chosen currency pair. This value is based on your available margin funds. If you already have a position in the pair and you select the opposite trade, the units released from closing the existing trade are added to the total number of units.

# Modify Trades and Orders

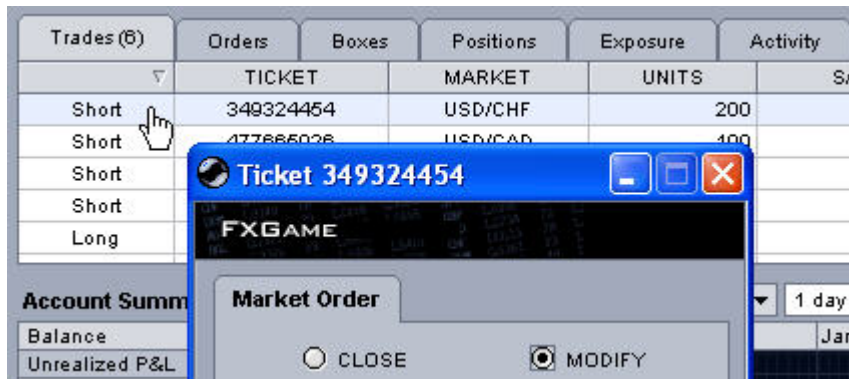
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## Modify a Trade (Market Order)

To modify the stop loss and take profit limits for a specific trade:

1. Click on the trade in the [Trades Table](#). Its Ticket window appears.
2. Click the **Modify** radio button.



3. Update the options and click **Submit**. (For details on these fields, see [Place a Market Order](#).)

**Modify Trade Window**

### Alternatives

There are several other ways to modify take profits or stop losses:

- Click on the [trading activity icon](#) for the trade and choose to modify the stop loss or take profit from the menu that appears. You can then drag a line to where you want to set the new value.



- Click on a trade's corresponding red (stop loss) or green (take profit) line on the graph. Choose the Modify menu option. Drag the line to where you want the new value and click the mouse again to set the new take profit or stop loss value. (Move the cursor outside of the graph area to cancel the modification.)



## Modify a Limit Order

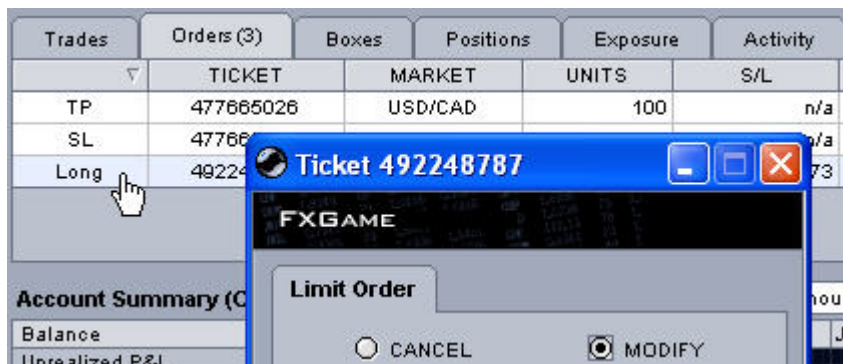
Because a limit order is not yet executed, you can modify any of its parameters (including the number of units or the quote value). After a limit order is executed and becomes a market order (that is, an open trade), you can only change its Stop Loss or Take Profit values.

To modify a limit order:

1. Click the Orders tab.

Limit orders are identified in the first column as "Long" or "Short." (Entries identified as "TP" or "SL" are for market orders and will only let you change the Take Profit or Stop Loss values.)

2. Click on the order in the [Orders Table](#). Its Ticket window appears.



3. Click the **Modify** radio button.
4. Add, remove, or change the options. (For details on these options, see the [Issue a Limit Order](#) topic.)

**Limit Order**

☐ CANCEL ☒ MODIFY

MARKET: EUR/USD

UNITS: 1,000

QUOTE: 1.56366

Expires: Dec 31, 18:59

☒ Lower Bound: 1.56319

☒ Upper Bound: 1.56413

☒ Take Profit: 1.56601

☒ Stop Loss: 1.56131

☒ Price ☐ PIPS

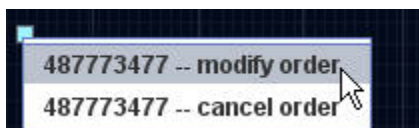
You may change any field except the market field.

Submit Close

***Modify Limit Order Window***

### ***Alternative***

You can also modify a limit order by clicking on its [trading activity icon](#) and selecting **modify order** from the menu that appears.



## Close a Trade, Order, Position, or Exposure

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- [Close an Exposure to a Currency](#)

### Important Note

When you close the FXTrade Platform or log off, you do NOT automatically close any open trades or orders. You must take one of the following actions to close open trades or orders.

### Close a Trade

Click on a specific trade in the [Trades Table](#) to view a trade ticket populated with the details of the trade. To close the trade, click the **Close** radio button, and then click **Submit**.

**Ticket 474244820**

**FXGAME**

**Market Order**

☒ CLOSE ☐ MODIFY

MARKET: AUD/USD

UNITS: 300

QUOTE: 0.95504

☐ Lower Bound

☐ Upper Bound

☒ Take Profit: 0.97479

☒ Stop Loss: 0.93115

☒ Price ☐ PIPS

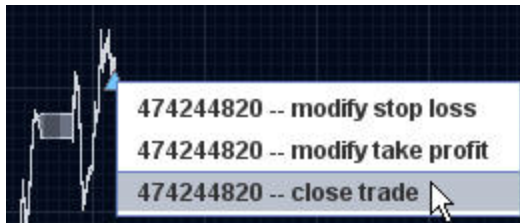
This will close your Long order.

Current P&L: -0.22 USD / -7.2 PIPS

Submit Close

**Close Trade Window**

You can also close a trade by clicking on its [trading activity indicator](#) and selecting **close trade** from the menu that appears.



To close all trades, select the menu item **Account > Close All > Close All Trades**.

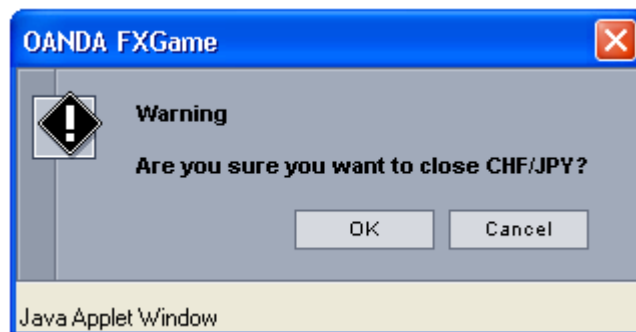
## Cancel an Order

To cancel an order, do one of the following:

- Click on a specific order in the [Orders Table](#) to view a trade ticket showing the details of the order. Select the **Cancel** radio button, then click **Submit**.
- Click on a [trading activity indicator](#) and select **cancel order** from the menu that appears.
- To cancel all orders, select the menu item **Account > Close All > Close All Orders**.

## Close a Position

The [Positions Table](#) shows the aggregate of all trades for each currency pair. Click on a specific pair to close your position for that pair (that is, to close all of the open trades related to that pair). A confirmation window asks you to verify that you want to close the position. Click **OK** to confirm.



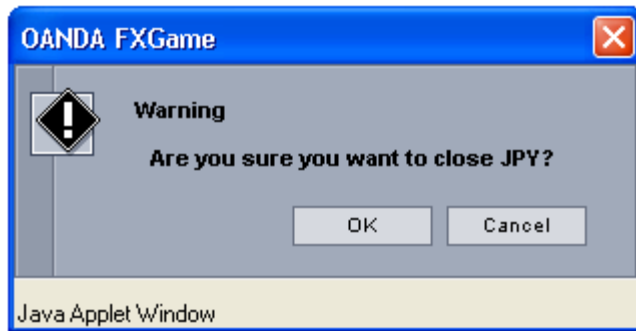
*Close Position Confirmation Window*

When you close a position, it will simultaneously close all the individual open trades in that pair. For example, closing a EUR/USD position closes *all* open EUR/USD trades. (They will all be removed from the Trades Table.)

## Close an Exposure to a Currency

The [Exposure Table](#) shows the aggregate of all positions and individual trades for each currency. To close all trades related to a specific currency, click on that currency in this table. A confirmation window asks you to verify that you want to close the exposure. Click **OK** to confirm.



***Close Exposure Window***

When you close an exposure, it will simultaneously close all positions and individual trades (both short and long) involving that currency. For example, closing a EUR exposure closes **ALL** transactions with EUR as the base or quote currency.

# Use Box Options

## *In This Section*

- [How Do Box Options Work?](#)
- [Define and Purchase a Box Option](#)
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- [Box Option Visual Cues](#)
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## How Do Box Options Work?

With Box Options, you use your cursor to draw a box around expected future price targets or resistance/support levels, and then specify if the box will be hit or missed. After you specify the purchase price you will pay when you submit the Box Option, you are given a quote from OANDA for the payment you'll receive if the exchange rate moves to hit the hit-box or miss the miss-box. The FXTrade system determines this payment by calculating the probability that the box will be hit (or missed) based on market trends and on the boundaries and position of the box. The lower the probability the box will be hit (or missed), the higher the quoted payment.

If the midpoint of the exchange rate price (not the bid or ask price) crosses into a hit-box (or if the midpoint misses a miss-box completely), you receive the quoted payment. There is no payment if the exchange rate "misses" a hit-box, or "hits" a miss-box—your initial payment is forfeited.

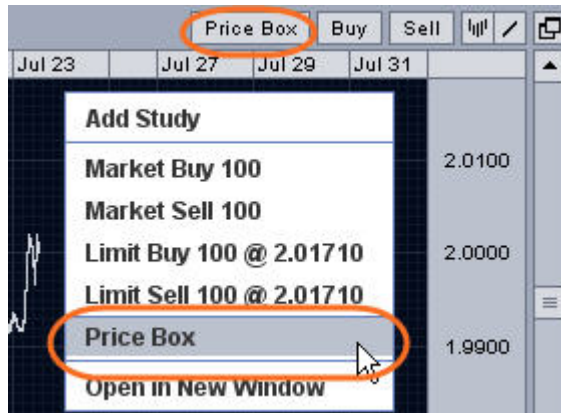
Box Option purchases are immediately debited from your account at the time of purchase, in real currency—there is no option to purchase boxes on margin. Boxes which have not yet been hit or missed (and aren't yet timed out) are said to be "open". Open boxes can be sold at a quoted price that is a fraction of the final payout amount. This quoted price varies over time and is displayed in the Boxes table.

In technical terms, a box option is an exotic cross between a binary option and a corridor option. [Read more about box options](#) on the FXTrade web site.

**Restrictions:** [Certain restrictions apply](#). For example, box options are not available to Canadian residents and are not supported on all pairs.

## Define and Purchase a Box Option

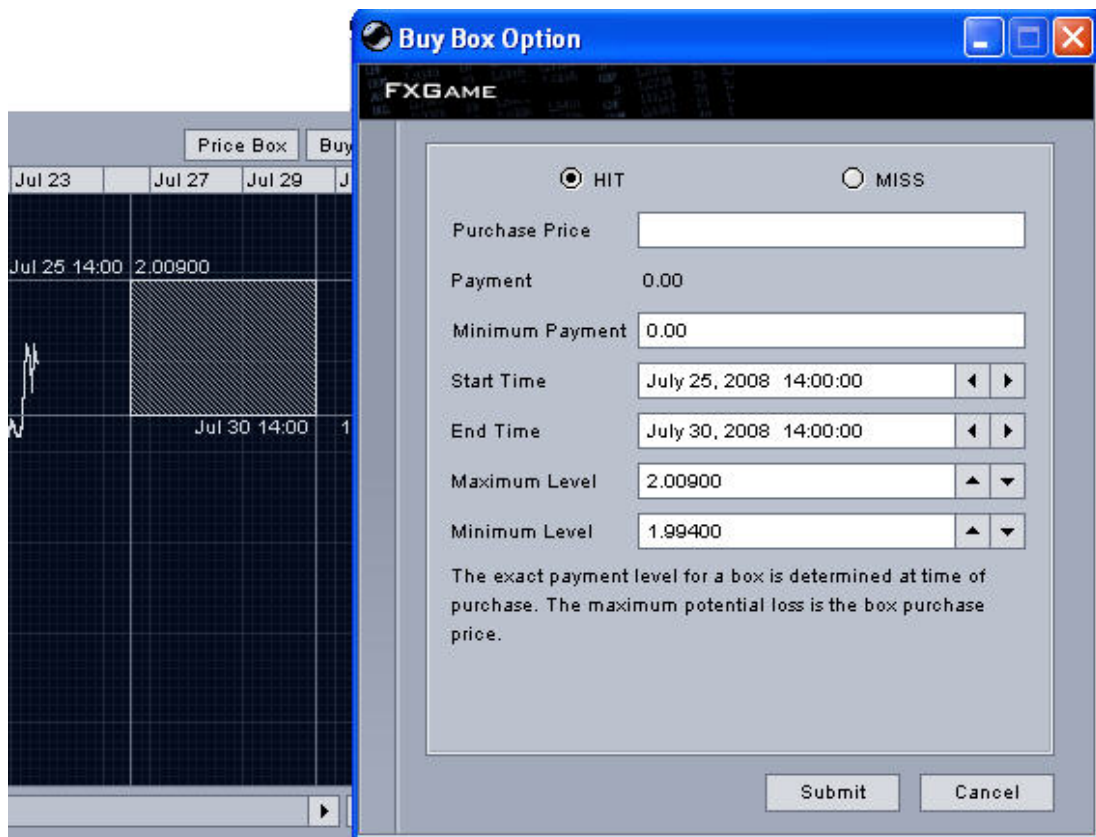
1. To define a box option, either:
  - Click on the Price Box button above the platform graph.
  - Click on an empty area of the graph and select Price Box from the menu that appears.



2. Using your mouse, draw a box on the screen. This box represents the minimum and maximum price levels and the start and end times for when these levels will be in effect.
  - Place the cursor at the lower right corner of the box you want to draw (that is, at the farthest time and lowest price), and then click.
  - Drag the cursor up and to the left to draw the box. If the box you're drawing is valid, it stays white. It turns yellow if it's not valid (for example, if you pull the box so far to the left that it's less than 15 minutes from the current time).
  - When the box is drawn to your liking, click to complete the box. Don't worry if what you've drawn is not exact. You'll be given the opportunity to manually adjust it in the Buy Box Option window that appears next.



3. The Buy Box Option window appears, prompting you to specify your purchase price and letting you manually fine-tune the boundaries of the options box.



4. Choose from the following radio buttons:

**Hit:** Specifies that the box should be a "hit" box.

**Miss:** Specifies that the box should be a "miss" box.

Visually, a hit-box is depicted as a filled-in box (the outline in the above picture is for a "Hit" box), while a miss-box is depicted as an outlined box with a hollow center.

5. In the Purchase Price field, enter the price you want to pay for the box. This is the amount of money you are willing to risk on the Box Option, and will be deducted from your FXTrade account when you submit the Box Option.
6. The system calculates a payment for the box based on your purchase price and on market conditions.  
**Note:** The FXTrade server will not allow you to purchase a Box Option whose payment is less than its purchase price.
7. Adjust the times and levels if you didn't draw them correctly, or if you want to influence the payment value.
8. When you are satisfied with the information in all the fields, click **Submit**. The Box Option purchase price amount is immediately deducted from your account balance.
9. Go to the [Boxes table](#) to track the current value of the Box Options.

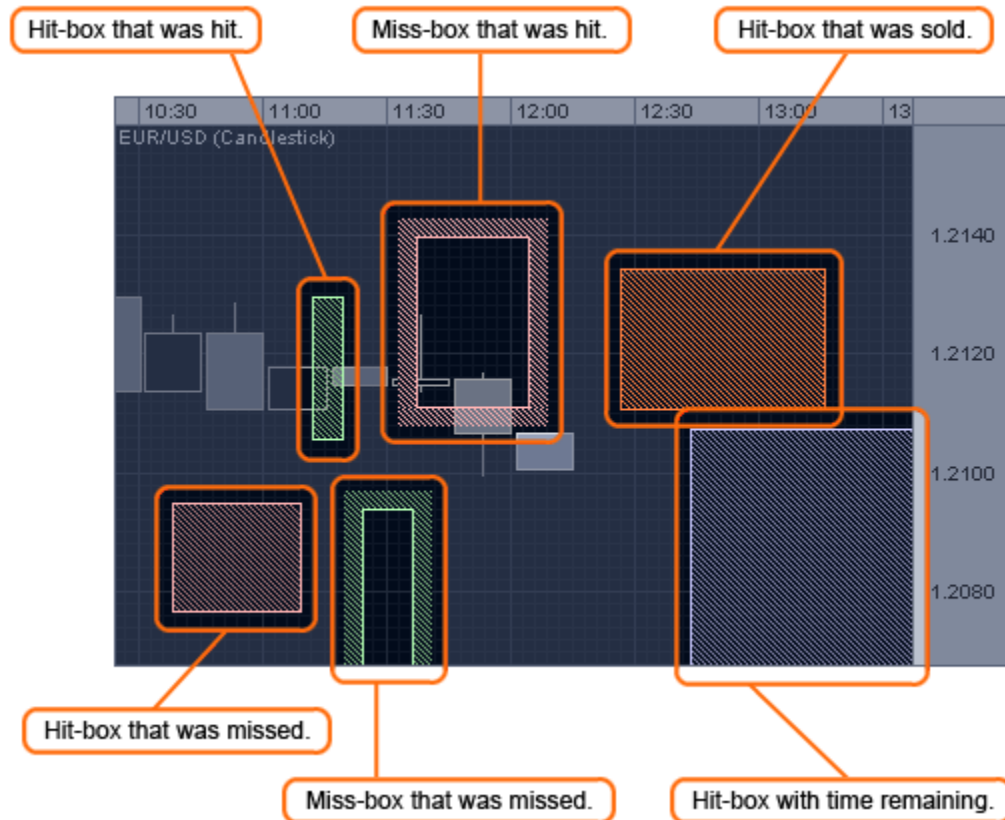
**Note:** Because the mid-price of the exchange rate must cross a hit-box or avoid a miss-box for payments to occur, use the Candlestick graph to best see whether or not your box is successful.

## Box Option Visual Cues

Once you purchase a Box Option, its box changes colour from white to blue. Blue indicates that the Box Option is not timed out and still has value.

From blue, the Box Option will change to any of the following three colours:

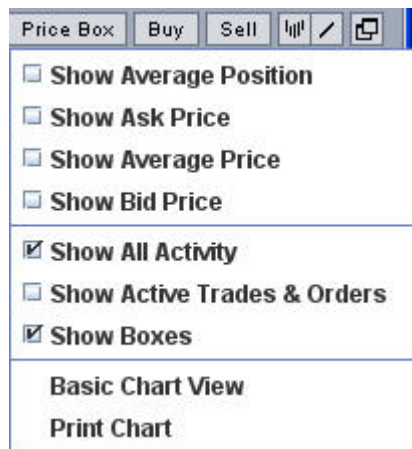
- **Orange:** A hit/miss box you sold before it expired.
- **Green:** A successful Box Option. (A hit-box was hit; a miss-box was missed.)
- **Red:** An unsuccessful Box Option. (A hit-box was missed; a miss-box was hit.)



*Box Option Status Colours*

## Hide/Show Box Options

To see Box Options visual cues on the chart, you must select *both* of the following items from the **Chart Options** menu: **Show All Activity** AND **Show Boxes**.



*Both of these Chart Option menu items must be selected to see Box Options.*

(To hide Box Options, deselect either of these menu items.)

## Sell a Box Option

To sell an open Box Option at the quoted resale value, either:

- Click on the box in the graph area and select "sell box" from the menu that appears.
- Click on the Boxes tab in the tables section of the main window, and then click on the Box Option you want to close:

Trades	Orders	Boxes	Positions	Exposure	Activity				
	BOX ID /	MARKET	PRICE	PAYMENT	RESALE	START	END	MAX	MIN
Open Hit	72474	GBP/CHF	100.00	142.35	5.88	Mar 14, 10:10	Mar 14, 10:20	2.27660	2.27560
Open Miss	72476	USD/JPY	100.00	241.87	59.76	Mar 14, 10:55	Mar 14, 11:00	118.161	117.810
Open Miss	72477	USD/HKD	100.00	2,000.00	0.00	Mar 14, 10:20	Mar 14, 10:25	7.7593	7.7570
Open Hit	72481	EUR/JPY	100.00	486.87	9.91	Mar 14, 10:25	Mar 14, 10:30	140.777	140.530

Either method displays the current resale value of the box and prompts you to confirm the sale.

## Box Option Fields

**Hit/Miss** Click one of these buttons to specify whether you expect the future exchange rate to hit or miss the box.

**Purchase Price** Specify how much you would like to risk. This amount will be deducted from your FXTrade account.

**Payment** The amount you will receive if your hit-box is hit or miss-box is missed (this figure is automatically generated by the FXTrade servers based on current and projected market conditions).

<b>Minimum Payment</b>	<p>If current and projected market conditions change over the time it takes you to submit a Box Option, the posted value of the Box Option payment may end up being different from the value shown in the Payment field. The Minimum Payment field lets you specify the minimum acceptable payment should this change occur.</p> <p>By default, this field is set to the purchase price. To have the Box Option rejected if the payment will be less than what's shown in the Payment field, type that payment value into this field.</p>
<b>Start Time</b>	<p>Specify when you would like the box to begin. The start time must be at least 15 minutes in the future and corresponds to left side of the box.</p>
<b>End Time</b>	<p>Specify when you would like the box to end. The End Time must be at least 5 minutes after the Start Time and cannot be more than 180 days into the future. The end time corresponds to the right side of the box.</p>
<b>Maximum Level</b>	<p>Specify the maximum exchange rate for the box. The maximum level corresponds to the top of the box. The maximum level and minimum level must be at least 10 pips apart.</p>
<b>Minimum Level</b>	<p>Specify the minimum exchange rate for the box. The minimum level corresponds to the bottom of the box. The maximum level and minimum level must be at least 10 pips apart.</p>

## Customize the Interface

### *In This Section*

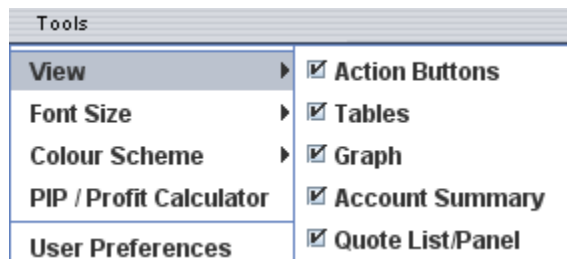
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### **Save your changes!**

**Important!** To save any customization changes you make, always select **Tools > Save Current Profile**. This saves your changes for future sessions.

## Hide and Show Panels in the Window

Select **Tools > View**, then click the type of control you want to hide/show (by default, all are checked, meaning all panels are visible).



## Change the Appearance and Behavior of the Chart

Select **Tools > User Preferences** and click the [Chart Tab](#) to change the appearance and behavior of chart features such as:

- lines pinpointing the cursor
- information boxes
- trendlines (colour, style, and behavior)
- weekend data

## Change the Appearance and Behavior of the Interface

- To change the font size, select **Tools > Font Size**.
- To switch to a different colour scheme, select **Tools > Colour Scheme**.
- To use your own colours, select **Tools > Colour Scheme > Edit Custom Theme**. A list of all interface controls is shown in the Theme Editor.



Update the colours for any of these controls using either *RGB colour values* or *hexadecimal colour values*. (If you do not already have a prepared palette of particular colour values and need to access colour value lists, search on the Internet for the strings "RGB color values" or "hexadecimal color values".)

Click **Save** to keep your changes. To switch to your custom theme, select **Tools > Colour Scheme > Custom**.

- For miscellaneous interface changes (for example, to show dual bid/ask columns, colour coded tables, or pipettes; or to sort subaccounts or lock the screen after a period of time) select **Tools > User Preferences**, then click the [Misc Tab](#).

## List Only Certain Currency Pairs

To specify which currency pairs are shown in the FXTrade interface (in places such as the Quotes Panel, the Quote List, the quotes pull-downs and other currency lists), select **Tools > User Preferences**, and then click the [Quotes Tab](#).

(To find out about the 3-letter acronyms used for currency codes, go to [FXLookUp](#).)

## Pre-Fill Trading Values and Control Other Trading Behavior

Select **Tools > User Preferences** and click the [Trading Tab](#) to:

- Pre-fill values in the Market Order or Limit Order windows so you can quickly place default trades (you can specify default values for each currency pair).
- Enable bounds, stop loss, or take profit by default.
- Turn off confirmation windows, including the window to confirm if a position is being reduced, closed, or reversed by a new trade.

## Change International Settings

To set preferences related to your geographic location (such as the number format and time zone), select **Tools > User Preferences**, and then click the [Locale Tab](#).

## Save Different Sets of Customizations in Different Profiles

You can customize the interface and then save your customization settings in a separate profile that you can use for certain occasions (for example, for particular trading strategies, currency pairs, or subaccounts).

For more information, see [Set Up Multiple Profiles](#).

# Set Up Multiple Profiles

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## Why Use Multiple Profiles?

You may want to set up various profiles, each with unique settings. By switching from one profile to the other, you can quickly optimize your FXTrade interface for different trading strategies, currencies, or subaccounts. For example, you may want to view simple moving averages while trading USD/CAD, and pivot points while trading NZD/USD.

A **profile** includes custom settings such as:

- currently viewed currencies and tabs
- trend lines, indicator graphs, and overlays
- colour scheme
- open tabs, window layouts, open windows, and detached summaries
- settings from Account > User preferences, including chosen currency pairs

## Update the Current Profile with Recent Changes

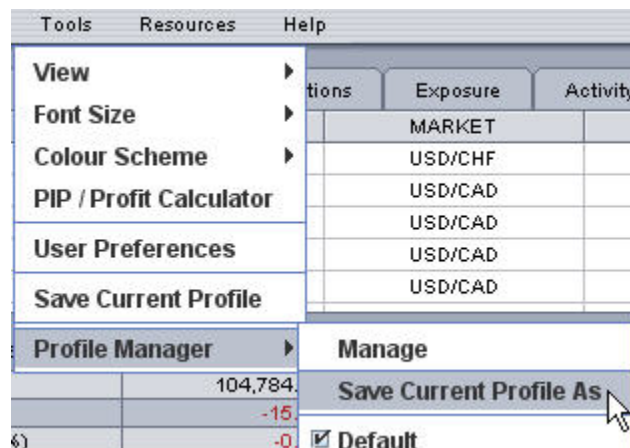
To update the current profile with your most recent interface changes, select **Tools > Save Current Profile**.

(When you save a current profile with no assigned name, it is given the name of the current account.)

## Create a New Profile and Switch to It

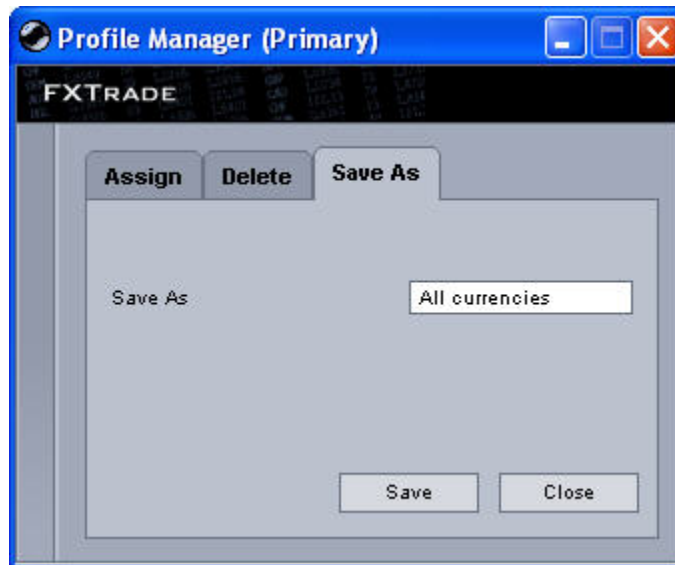
To save the current interface to a new profile:

1. Select **Tools > Profile Manager > Save Current Profile As**.

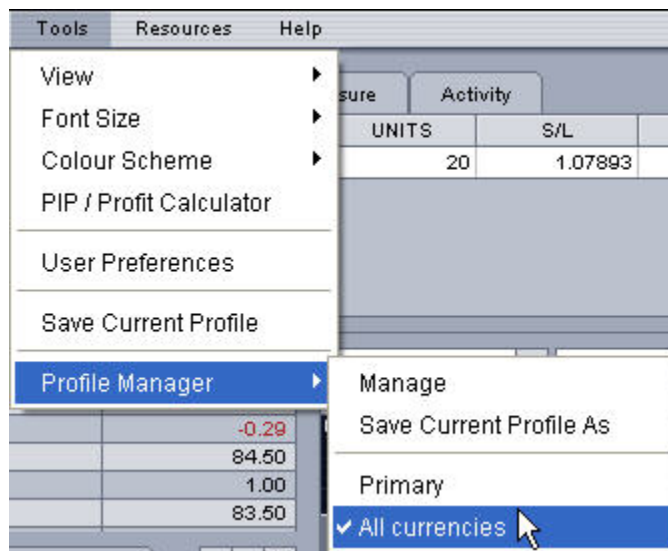


The Profile Manager window appears with its **Save As** tab open.

2. Type the name of the new profile in the **Save As** field.

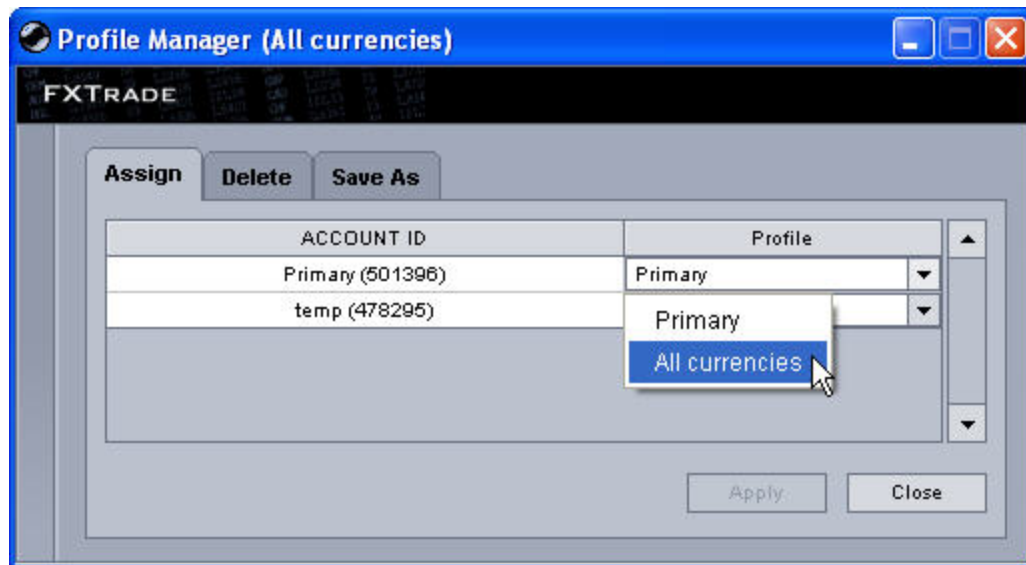


3. The new profile appears in the **Tools > Profile Manager** menu. Switch to it at any time from this menu.



## Assign a Profile to an Account

1. Select **Tools > Profile Manager > Manage**. The Profile Manager window appears with its **Assign** tab open.
2. Use the drop-down menu to assign a specific profile to any one of your accounts.



3. Select **Account > Change Accounts > Change Profiles on Switch**.
  - If this menu item is checked and you switch accounts, the assigned profiles are used.
  - If it is not checked, the current profile stays when you switch accounts, even if they are assigned different profiles.

## Delete Unused Profiles

To delete the profiles you're no longer using:

1. Select **Tools > Profile Manager > Manage**. The Profile Manager window appears with its Assign tab open.
2. Click the **Delete** tab.
3. Click the **Delete** checkboxes beside the profiles you want to delete, and then click the **Delete Marked Profile** button.

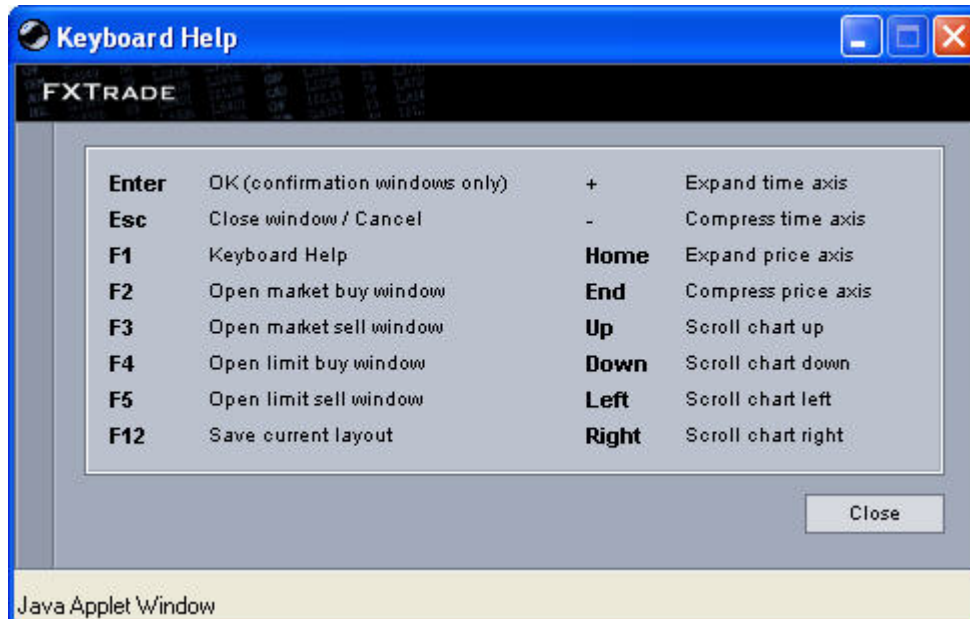
(You can delete any profile except for the one grayed out, which is the one currently used for the active account.)



The deleted profiles no longer appear in the **Tools > Profile Manager** menu.

## Keyboard Shortcuts

Keyboard shortcuts are provided for the most common actions on the FXTrade platform so you can quickly access these actions. Press the F1 button on your keyboard to see a list of all the available keyboard shortcuts.



### *Keyboard Shortcuts*

# Using Graph Features

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- [Currency Graph Quick Start](#)
- [Trading Activity Symbols](#)
- [Draw Trendlines](#)
- [Use Overlay and Indicator Studies](#)

## What Do Currency Graphs Show?

The currency rate graphs used in the FXTrade and FXGame windows show how currency exchange rates change over a period of time ranging from minutes to months. All charts are updated in real time as OANDA sends out the latest currency rates.

In addition to the standard chart types, there are also a number of overlays and indicators available through the Platform. For detailed information on each of the FXTrade trendlines, overlays, and indicators, go to the [FXTrade Graphing Features](#) web pages.



**FXTrade Graph**

## Currency Graph Quick Start

### *Choose your currency pair*

Use the top left drop-down menu to choose the currency pair (for example, EUR/USD or USD/CAD):



#### **Notes:**

- To find out about the 3-letter acronyms used for currency codes, go to [FXLookUp](#).
- To choose which pairs are available in this list, go to **Tools > User Preferences > Quotes**.

### *Set time period granularity*

The purpose of using different granularities is to focus on short-term vs. long-term trends. To set the granularity, use the second drop-down menu at the top left:



Choose from a granularity ranging from 5 seconds (the finest granularity, which graphs prices for roughly the last 40 minutes), to 1 day (the largest granularity, which graphs prices for roughly the last year).




### Specify the graph type

Use the third drop-down menu from the left to choose the type of line that's plotted on the graph. For information on these graph types, go to the [FXTrade web site](#).



### Add price lines



Click the Chart Options  button (located near the top-right corner above the graph) to add horizontal lines on the chart so you can track the current ask price, average price, or bid price. Select **Show Average Position** to add a horizontal line showing the average position of your current trades for the currency pair shown in the graph. (Your average position is shown in the [Positions table](#).)


Seeing these lines may help you track the status of your trades, because you will see when the current price is approaching [trading activity symbols](#) or your average position.



### Move in, out, and around the graph

**Scroll:** The scroll bars are located on the right and at the bottom of the graph. Use them to see information that is hidden from view.

**Zoom In/Out:** Zoom to change the level of detail displayed and use different perspectives to better understand short-term and long-term trends. Zooming does not change the granularity of the graph, only your view of it. The price (vertical) and time (horizontal) zoom controls are located at the bottom right corner, next to the scroll bars. Click the  or  buttons to zoom in or out respectively. Or, use the slider bar to manipulate the zoom level.

**Reset:** The  button on the bottom-right corner resets the graph view to default scroll and zoom settings.

### ***Place a trade from the graph***

Click on any empty part of the graph. Place your trade from the menu that appears:



**Note:** The limit order quote field is filled with the value of the current cursor position.

### ***Open the chart in a separate window***


**Open the current chart in a new window:** Click the  button in the upper right corner of the chart.

**Open a new chart for a different currency pair:** Click on the currency pair codes in the **Quotes List**.

### ***Hide or simplify the chart***

**To hide the chart,** de-select the check box at **Tools > View > Graph**.

**For a basic chart view** where scroll bars and other controls are hidden, click the Chart Options

 button located at the top-right corner of the graph and select **Basic Chart View** from the menu that appears. (The menu choice changes to **Advanced Chart View**; select it to return to the default chart view.)

### ***Change colours***

**To change the colour of the graph,** click directly over the exchange rates being plotted on the chart. A menu appears with a list of colours.



To customize the colours used in the interface (including the colours used in this menu), select **Tools > Colour Scheme > Edit Custom Theme**.

### View additional information

- A set of crosshair lines follows your mouse to indicate the price and time. (You can turn off either the horizontal or vertical crosshair lines in the [Graph tab of the User Preferences](#).)
- The Graph Information Box in the lower left corner of the graph shows precise **exchange rate information** for the current cursor location. This information varies by [chart type](#).



### Print the chart


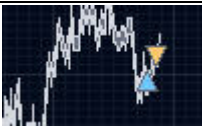




To **print the chart**, click the Chart Options  button located at the top-right corner above the graph and select **Print** from the menu that appears.




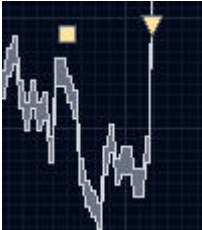



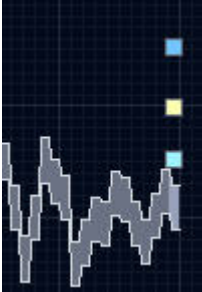


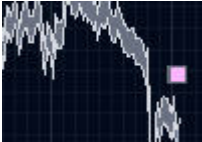


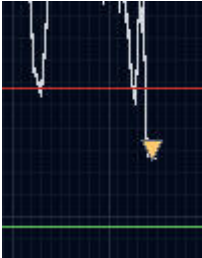
## Trading Activity Symbols

FXTrade uses distinct symbols to indicate particular trading activities and highlight when they occur (for example, when a limit order was placed or when a take profit was executed).

### Symbol Summary

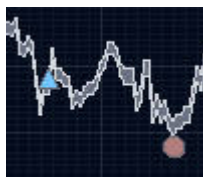
**Note:** This table shows the default platform colours. (To change these colours, select **Tools > Colour Scheme > Edit Custom Theme**.)

Icon	Action	Example	
	Buy Market		A market buy immediately closed.
	Buy Limit Order		A limit buy order later closed.
	Buy Limit Order (Original)		A limit buy order modified with a new take profit.

	Sell Market		A sell market trade (immediately closed).
	Sell Limit Order		A sell limit order (later filled).
	Sell Limit Order (Original)		A sell limit order, modified with a new take profit value.
	Intervening modification (Used when there's more than one modification to an order.)		A buy limit order modified twice.
	Limit Order, Cancelled or Expired (Sell or Buy)	 	A buy limit order expired (without the take profit being reached). A sell limit order immediately canceled.
	Take Profit order limit (green line) and Stop Loss order limit (red line).  (To change your take profit or stop loss order limits, click on these lines and drag them up and down the graph.)	 	A buy market with take profit (top, green) and stop loss (bottom, red). A sell market with take profit (bottom, green) and stop loss (top, red).



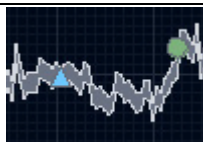
Stop Loss Triggered



A stop loss triggered on a buy market trade.



Take Profit Triggered



A take profit triggered on a market buy.



Margin Call



A market buy is closed by a margin call during an unexpected market change.

## Actions You Can Take Using Trading Activity Symbols

### *To see basic information*

Hold the cursor over the symbol to see its information in the upper left corner of the graph.



### *To modify or close an active order or trade*

For active orders or trades, click on their symbol and choose from the options in the submenu:




### *To see detailed closing information*

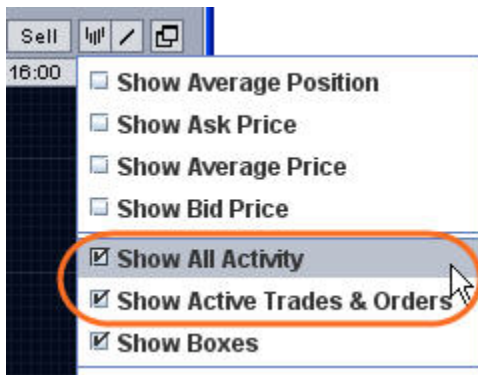
For completed orders or trades, click on their symbol and choose **view details** from the submenu:



## Show or Hide Trading Activity Symbols

Click the Chart Options  button located on the top-right corner above the graph to:

- Show (or hide) indicators for all activity (including historical activity)
- Show only those indicators for active trades and orders



*Control the display of trading activity symbols*

## Draw Trendlines

Trendlines are lines you can add to the chart to mark times or prices, or to help identify trends in the movement of currency prices.

### Why Use Trendlines?


Trendlines can be used for many different purposes:

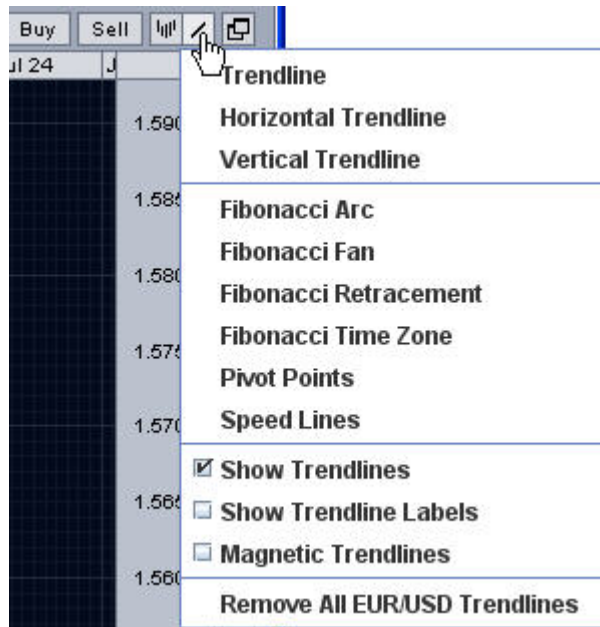
**Directional indicators:** Peaks or troughs over a particular period may be joined with a trendline to identify the general direction. For example, if the trendline is a downward sloping line and the curve breaks the trend by rising above the line, this might be seen as a buying opportunity. Conversely, if the trendline is an upward sloping line and the curve breaks the trend by dropping below the line, this might be seen as a selling opportunity.

**Support and resistance lines:** When the price goes below trendlines horizontally drawn across previous lows, it may be a selling opportunity. Conversely, when the price goes above trendlines horizontally drawn across previous highs, it may be a buying opportunity.

**Channels:** If the currency price line stays between two parallel lines connecting peaks and troughs, this is a "channel" where fluctuations are "range-bound." If the currency price breaks out of this channel, it could be considered a signal of a change in direction.

## Add Trendlines

To work with trendlines, click the  button located in the top right corner above the graph. A menu appears for you to choose from available trendlines and choose trendline options:



To draw horizontal or vertical trendlines, choose their menu item, move the cursor to the place on the graph where you want to place the trendline, and then click once.

To draw other types of trendlines, choose their menu item, move the cursor to the place on the graph where you want to start the trendline, and then click once. Then move the cursor to the place where you want the trendline to end, and click again.

## Types of Trendlines

For detailed information on every type of trendline, go to the [Using Trendlines](#) web page.

### Basic Trendlines

Basic trendlines are straight lines that you can draw on the graph to mark times, values, or trends. The following basic trendlines are available from the Trendlines menu:

- **Vertical Trendline:** Used to mark a time period.
- **Horizontal Trendline:** Used to mark a price.
- **Trendline:** A diagonal line to mark trends or movement on the graph. (You can set trendlines to "auto-extend" left or right from the [User Preferences Chart tab](#).)

### Advanced Trendlines

Advanced trendlines include the following:

- Fibonacci Arc
- Fibonacci Fan
- Fibonacci Retracement
- Fibonacci Time Zone
- Pivot Points




- Speed Lines

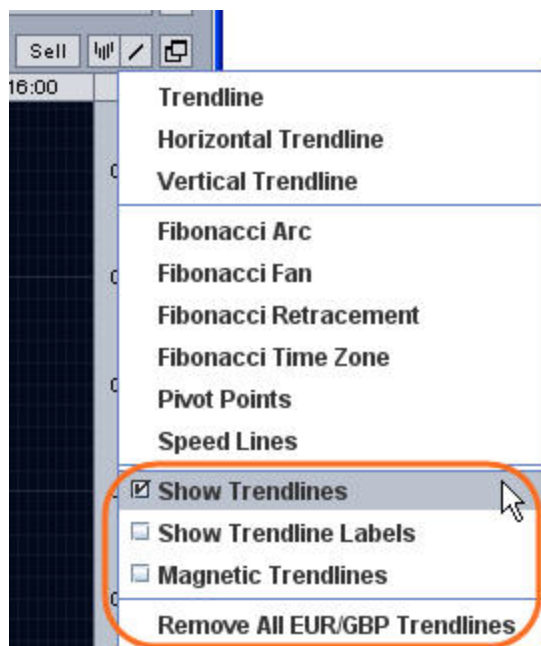
For information on these more sophisticated trendlines, go to the [Trendlines](#) web pages.

To include a numbered label on advanced trendlines (so you can distinguish them from each other), select the **Show Trendline Labels** check box in the Trendlines menu.

### ***Manage Trendlines***

Click the  button located in the top right corner above the graph. Use the bottom menu items to:

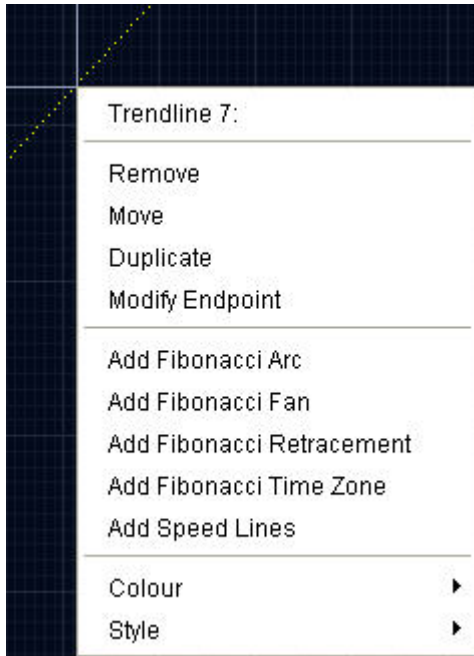
- Show or hide trendlines
- Show or hide trendline labels (available for advanced trendlines)
- Turn on magnetic trendlines (so trendlines stick to the graph when you plot them)
- Remove all trendlines for the currently viewed currency pair





### ***Modify Individual Trendlines***

Click over an existing trendline to modify it. A menu will appear:



Use this menu to:

- Remove the trendline.
- Move or duplicate the trendline. (Then click on the corresponding area on the chart where the trendline is to be moved or duplicated. Move the cursor outside of the graph area to cancel the action.)
- Move the trendline's endpoints.
- Add a Fibonacci study or Speed Lines to the trendline, or remove them.
- Change the line's colour or style.

## **Use Overlay and Indicator Studies**

There are a number of overlays and indicators to help you interpret the chart.

- **Overlays** are positioned directly over the price curve. You can see their value at the cursor in the upper left hand corner.
- **Indicators** are separate curves appearing under the price curve.

For full descriptions, including interpretations and formulas, go to the web pages for [Overlays](#) and [Indicators](#).




## Add an Overlay or Indicator

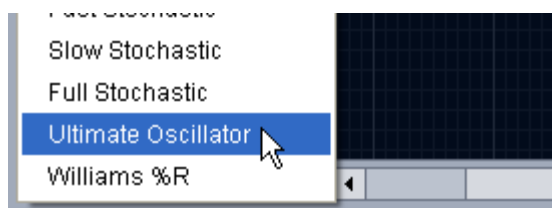
1. Click the drop-down arrow for the menu located in the bottom-left corner of the graph.



**Note:** If you can't see this menu, you may need to switch to the advanced chart view.

Click the Chart Options  button located in the top-right corner above the graph, and select Advanced Chart View from its menu.


2. Select the overlay or indicator type from the menu that appears. (For full descriptions of all the choices, go to the [Overlays](#) and [Indicators](#) web pages.)

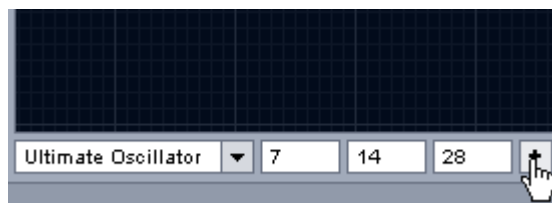


3. A set of parameters appears to the right of the menu. These parameters are unique for each study.

Default values are provided for your convenience. You can change these parameters if you want.

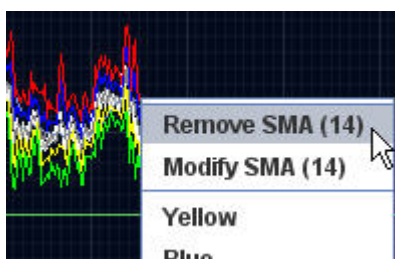


4. Click  to add the study to the chart area.



## Modify or Remove an Overlay or Indicator

To remove an overlay or indicator from the graph, click over it and select **Remove** from the pop-up menu that appears:



Use this same menu to modify the values used to plot the overlay or indicator, or to change the colours it uses.

(To change the default colours used by the charting interface, select **Tools > Colour Scheme > Edit Custom Theme.**)

# FXTrade Interface

## Action Buttons

The FXTrade Platform provides the following action buttons in a panel on the left side. Click a button to invoke the action (it will display an FXTrade window, or another browser window):



Opens the Buy/Sell window where you can [request a market or limit order](#).

Opens a new browser window with access to 4CAST news, commentary, and analysis.

Opens a new browser window with the latest currency news.

Opens the [Transaction History](#) report in a new browser window. The Transaction History shows all transactions since you started trading on FXTrade, with the option to filter the list by choosing date ranges.

Opens a new browser window with access to [FXMessage](#), OANDA's online forum that allows you to participate in discussions with other traders and currency trading experts.

## Hide Action Buttons

To hide or show the action buttons, select the **Tools > View > Action Buttons** menu item.

# Account Summary






## In This Section

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## What Is The Account Summary?




The Account Summary is a small table on the main FXTrade window that provides a summary of your account status. The information displayed in the Account Summary is continuously updated in real time and is always shown in your home currency (indicated in parentheses next to the Account Summary title).

## Account Summary Actions


- Click  for the basic view.
- Click  for the extended view.
- Click  to open the Account Summary in a separate window.
- Click  to collapse the Account Summary. (You may want to do this to see more quotes listed in the Quote List/Quote Panel.)
- Click  to expand the Account Summary when it's collapsed.

**Note:** To hide the Account Summary completely, select **Tools > View > Account Summary**.

## What's Shown in the Account Summary's Basic View?

Account Summary (USD)   	
Balance	100,601.56
Unrealized P&L	-4.42
Box Resale Value	0.00
Realized P&L	34,252.34
Margin Used	44.21
Margin Available	100,552.93

### Account Summary Basic View

(To go to the extended view, click the  icon.)

The following fields are shown in both the Basic view and the Extended View:

**Balance** The amount of cash in your account. Your balance changes when you realize a profit or loss on your positions, earn/pay interest, or deposit/withdraw funds. This value does not change with the current exchange rate on your open positions.

**Unrealized P&L** The current profit or loss total for all your open trades. If you were to close all of your open trades at this exact point in time, this amount would be "realized" and added to the Realized P&L.

(Unrealized P&L does not include interest earned or paid on your trades or account balance.)

**Box Resale Value** The amount you would receive if you sold all your Box Options at their current resale value.

**Realized P&L** The amount of profit or loss you have incurred with your trading activity to date. This value changes when you realize profits or losses on your open positions.  
(Realized P&L does not include any interest that has been earned or paid on your trades or account balance.)

**Margin Used** The amount of your account balance and Unrealized P&L that is reserved for margin. This amount is equal to the Position Value multiplied by your margin ratio. The margin ratio is the inverse of leverage; for example, 50:1 leverage equals a 0.02 margin ratio.  
See [OANDA's Margin Policies](#) for more information on how margin works. To verify the leverage used for your accounts, select **Account > Account Details**.


**Margin Available** The amount of your Balance and Unrealized P&L available as margin for new trading transactions. It is equal to your Net Asset Value minus Margin Used.

## What's Added to the Account Summary's Extended View?

Account Summary (USD)		x ▲ □			
Balance	10,200.41				
Unrealized P&L	398.99				
Unrealized P&L (%)	3.91				
Box Resale Value	0.00				
Net Asset Value	10,599.41				
Margin Call	385.67				
Realized P&L	-17.00				
Margin Used	771.34				
Margin Available	9,828.07				
Margin Percent	45.76				
Position Value	23,163.36				
1	2	3	4	5	6

### Account Summary Extended View

(To go to the basic view, click the  icon.)

The following fields are shown only in the Account Summary's extended view. (To go to the extended view, click the  icon at the top right corner of the Account Summary.)

**Unrealized P&L (%)** The unrealized Profit and Loss shown as a percentage of your balance.

**Net Asset Value** Your Account Balance, plus Unrealized P&L. When your Net Asset Value drops to half of the Margin Used (or, when it reaches the Margin Call value), a margin call is triggered.

**Margin Call** The Margin Used divided by two. A margin call will occur if your Net Asset Value falls to this amount.

**Margin  
Percent**

Your Net Asset Value divided by Position Value and multiplied by 100. This is another method of measuring how close your positions are to a margin call.

Depending on the leverage, you will get a margin call when your Margin Percent declines to 1.00 (for 50:1 leverage), 1.25 (for 40:1), 1.67 (for 30:1), 2.00 (for 25:1), 2.50 (for 20:1), or 5.00 (for 10:1).

**Position  
Value**

The value of your position(s) expressed in the current account's home currency.

**<Number>  
buttons**

The numbered buttons let you switch between your primary account and subaccounts. The values in the Account Summary change to reflect the values for each account.

(To enable these buttons, select **Tools > Preferences**, go to the **Misc** tab, and then click on the **Show Sub Account Switcher** check box.)

## Quote List and Quote Panel

### In This Section

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- [Place a Market Order with One Click from the Quote Panel](#)

### What Are The Quote List and Quote Panel?

The Quote List and Quote Panel show different views of the current OANDA buy/sell rates for currency pairs supported by the FXTrade Platform. These rates are updated in real time.

When there is movement in the exchange rate for a currency pair, the up/down (green/red) indicators alert you to the direction of change. These indicators help you track the currency pairs you're not currently viewing in the graph.

View the Quote List and Quote Panel by clicking on their respective tabs:

Quote List	Quote Panel		
EUR/USD	↑	1.56781	1.56790
GBP/USD	↓	1.97563	1.97588
USD/JPY	↓	107.722	107.738
EUR/AUD		1.63388	1.63428
EUR/GBP		0.79350	0.79360
AUD/USD		0.95934	0.95952
USD/CAD		1.00978	1.01003
USD/CNY		6.85550	6.85950
USD/MXN		10.26570	10.26970
USD/NOK	↓	5.06560	5.07060
USD/ZAR		7.86950	7.88200
EUR/CAD	↑	1.58329	1.58369
EUR/CHF		1.62271	1.62301
EUR/DKK		7.45820	7.45880
EUR/JPY	↓	168.912	168.932

Quote List

Quote List	Quote Panel		
EUR/USD		1.56	1.56
		61 <sup>6</sup>	62 <sup>5</sup>
		SELL	BUY
GBP/USD		1.97	1.97
		20 <sup>3</sup>	22 <sup>8</sup>
		SELL	BUY
USD/JPY		107.	107.
		95 <sup>7</sup>	97 <sup>3</sup>
		SELL	BUY
EUR/AUD		1.63	1.63
		34 <sup>3</sup>	38 <sup>3</sup>
		SELL	BUY
EUR/GBP		0.79	0.79
		41 <sup>0</sup>	42 <sup>0</sup>
		SELL	BUY
AUD/USD		0.95	0.95
		86 <sup>1</sup>	87 <sup>9</sup>
		SELL	BUY

Quote Panel

### How Rates Are Shown in the Quote List and Quote Panel


The first rate displayed is the **bid (sell)** rate (the rate at which you would sell the base currency and buy the quote currency). The second rate is the **ask (buy)** rate (the rate you would buy the base currency and sell the quoted currency). For more information on bid and ask rates, refer to the [forex trading basics](#) pages on the FXTrade web site.

Most currency pair quotes use five decimal places, with the fourth decimal place the "pip" and the fifth decimal place the "[pipette](#)." Some pairs use three decimal places (for example, XAU/USD or those with a quote currency of JPY, THB, or HUF). In this case, the pip is the second decimal place and the pipette is the third decimal place.


### Actions You Can Take from the Quote List and Quote Panel

- Click the **Quote List** tab to switch to the list view of rates; click the **Quote Panel** tab to switch to the panel view of rates.
- Click **F** to open a filter window to specify which rates you want to be displayed.



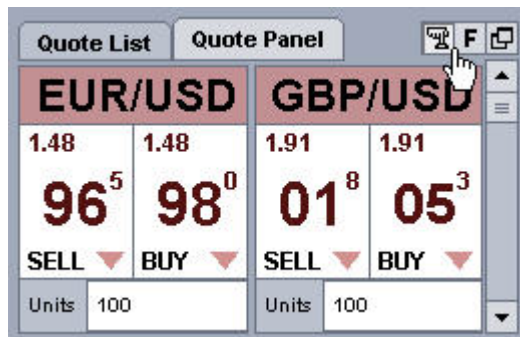
- Click on a currency pair's **ask** price to open a **buy** order window for that currency pair.
- Click on a currency pair's **bid** price to open a **sell** order window for that currency pair.
- Click on a currency pair to open the graph for that currency pair in a new window.
- Click  to open the Quote List and Quote Panel in a separate window.
- Select **Tools > View > Quote List Panel** to hide the Quote List and Quote Panel.
- Click, hold, and drag a currency pair to move its position in the list. (To keep your changes for future sessions, select **Tools > Save Current Profile**.)

### ***Additional Actions from the Quote List***

- Click  to add an extra column showing the current spread for each pair. ([Spread statistics](#) for the previous week are available on the FXTrade web site.)
- You can either view the bid rate followed by the last few digits of the ask rate, or see the two rates in separate columns. (For separate columns, select **Tools > User Preferences**, go to the **Misc** tab, and check the **Show Dual Bid/Ask Columns** check box. Then select **Tools > Save Current Profile** to save the setting for future sessions.)

### **Place a Market Order with One Click from the Quote Panel**

1. From the Quote Panel, click the One-Click Mode button:



The Quote Panel adds Units fields (as pictured above) where you can change the size of the trade. These fields are pre-filled with default values.

2. Scroll to the currency pair that you want to trade, verify and update the number of units you want to trade, and then click the BUY or SELL side of the quote.
3. By default, a verification window appears for you to confirm your trade.

(To avoid seeing this window, deselect the Confirm One-Click Trades preference on the [Trading tab of the User Preferences window](#).)

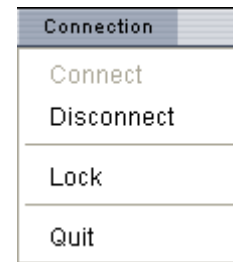
## Pull-Down Menus

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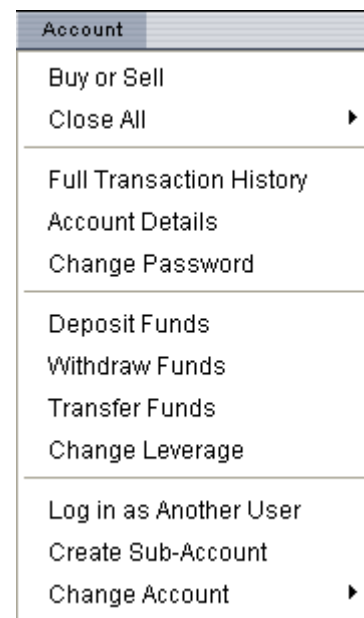
### Connection Menu

<b>Connect</b>	Connects the FXTrade platform to the server. When the platform is connected, currency rates are displayed in real time and transactions are possible.
<b>Disconnect</b>	Disconnects the FXTrade platform from the OANDA server. The FXTrade Platform remains open, but currency rates are no longer updated and transactions are not possible.
<b>Lock</b>	Locks the platform. To access it again, you need to type your password.
<b>Quit</b>	Logs you out and exits the FXTrade Platform.



### Account Menu

<b>Buy or Sell</b>	Opens a Buy/Sell window to issue market or limit orders.
<b>Close All</b>	Lets you close either all active trades or all active orders. (If you close all active orders, Stop Loss and Take Profit orders associated with active trades are not affected.)
<b>Full Transaction History</b>	Opens a new window to view the extensive list of all transactions that have occurred in your account. (For details on this window, go to the <a href="#">Transaction History Window</a> section.)
<b>Account Details</b>	Displays information on all of your accounts, including their margin rates.
<b>Change</b>	Lets you change your FXTrade password.

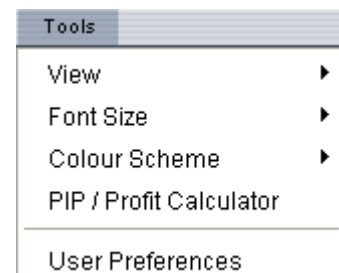


## Password

<b>Deposit Funds</b>	(FXTrade only) Takes you to the <a href="#">Cash Management System</a> , where you can add funds to your account.
<b>Withdraw Funds</b>	(FXTrade only) Takes you to the <a href="#">Cash Management System</a> , where you can withdraw funds from your account.
<b>Transfer Funds</b>	(FXTrade only) Takes you to the <a href="#">Cash Management System</a> , where you can transfer funds between your sub-accounts.
<b>Add or Remove Funds</b>	(FXGame only) Lets you add or remove funds from the current account. (Select a positive value to add funds, or a negative value to remove funds). For sub-accounts, the funds will be added to or removed from the primary account.
<b>Reset Profit/Loss</b>	(FXGame only) Resets your Profit & Loss value to zero. Your trades stay open.
<b>Change Leverage</b>	Lets you modify your account leverage. (To see the current leverage, select <b>Account &gt; Account Details</b> .)
<b>Log in as Another User</b>	Opens a window where you can log in as another user without having to log out first.
<b>Create Sub-Account</b>	Lets you create a sub-account. (Find out more about sub-accounts on the <a href="#">FXTrade web site</a> .)
<b>Change Account</b>	Change from viewing one account to another. (Another way to switch accounts is to use the sub account switcher buttons in the <a href="#">extended view of the Account Summary</a> .)  <b>Change Profiles on Switch:</b> This sub-menu choice enables accounts to appear with their associated profile (if you've set up different profiles for different accounts). For details, see <a href="#">Set Up Multiple Profiles</a> .

## Tools Menu

<b>View</b>	Lets you show or hide parts of the FXTrade window.
<b>Font Size</b>	Lets you adjust the display font size ranging from 10-20 points. The default size is 10 points.
<b>Colour</b>	Lets you choose pre-defined colour schemes,

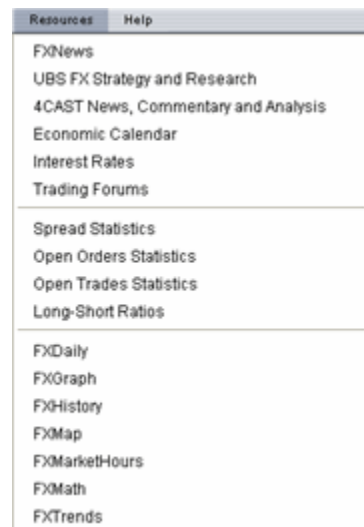


<b>Scheme</b>	or create your own.
<b>PIP/Profit Calculator</b>	Lets you enter information for a potential trade, then calculate the profit & loss for a specified closing rate.
<b>User Preferences</b>	Opens a window where you can change the defaults for the chart, quotes, trading windows, and other miscellaneous settings. For details, go to <a href="#">User Preferences</a> .
<b>Save Current Profile</b>	Allows you to save the current settings in the current profile. You can also save the profile by pressing F12.
<b>Profile Manager</b>	Lets you create and manage multiple profiles. For details, see <a href="#">Set Up Multiple Profiles</a> .

## Resources Menu

Each of these menu items opens a new browser window or tab.

<b>FXNews</b>	Access continuously updated world and multi-topic news from various financial news sources, including Thomson Financial, UBS News, and 4CAST News.
<b>UBS FX Strategy and Research</b>	Access news and analysis from UBS.
<b>4CAST News, Commentary and Analysis</b>	Access current market news from 4CAST.
<b>Economic Calendar</b>	Access a PDF document with the current month's calendar of scheduled news and announcements relating to the forex market.
<b>Interest Rates</b>	Find out current and historical interest rates for any currency supported on the FXTrade platform. These rates are used by OANDA to calculate the intra-day and/or daily interest rate.



<b>Trading Forums</b>	Access an interactive forum where you can share tips and learn from other currency traders.
<b>Spread Statistics</b>	View the bid/ask spreads for each of the currency pairs offered by OANDA. The spreads are plotted graphically over a 7-day time horizon for each currency pair. You can select which currency pairs are shown.
<b>Open Orders Statistics</b>	View a graph showing the distribution of all orders currently open in the FXTrade system.
<b>Open Trades Statistics</b>	View a graph depicting the distribution of all trades currently open in the FXTrade system.
<b>Long-Short Ratios</b>	View graphs showing the current trading activity in the FXTrade system for the major currency pairs.
<b>FXDaily</b>	Create a multi-currency table of exchange rates.
<b>FXGraph</b>	Access a tool where you can plot daily currency exchange rates for a specified period of days, weeks, months, or years, over any time period in the last ten years.
<b>FXHistory</b>	Obtain historical daily exchange rates since 1990 for over 164 world currencies.
<b>FXMap</b>	View a colour-coded interactive world map that displays the strength of a country's currency compared to other world currencies.
<b>FXMarketHours</b>	View the market hours for the major currency markets.
<b>FXMath</b>	Access a variety of calculators useful for typical FXTrade actions.
<b>FXTrends</b>	View a table of the change (trend) in currency exchange rates for the most actively traded currencies over the past day, week, month, and year.

## Help Menu

**Keyboard Shortcuts**

View a list of available shortcuts. Alternatively, press the F1 key on your keyboard.

**FX Trading Documentation and Help**

Opens the Support and Learning section of the FXTrade web site. This section provides extensive documentation, help, and resources on currency trading and the forex market.

**Contact Us**

Find out how to contact OANDA online or by phone.

**Live Help**

Start an online chat session with an OANDA customer service representative.

**About OANDA**

Access information about OANDA, the creator of the FXTrade platform.

**About OANDA FXTrade**

Lists who created the FXTrade platform.

**Open Debug Window**

If you encounter problems while using FXTrade, select this menu option to obtain data that can help diagnose your problem. You can copy and paste the content of this window and send it to [OANDA FXTrade Technical Support](#).



## Transaction History Window

The Transaction History window lets you download and view the entire transaction history for each of your accounts, starting with your very first trade. To view it, select **Account > Full Transaction History** (or click the **History** action button). Select the account you're interested in from its **Account** pull-down.

### Transaction History Buttons

Click the following buttons, located at the top of the Transaction History window, to access various controls.

**Filter:** Allows you to filter your transaction report to show only those entries involving certain currency pairs or transaction types.

**Range:** You have three options when generating a transaction history report:

- Select a specific date.
- Select a time horizon: Since the beginning of the week, For the last 7 days, Since first of month, Since beginning of the year.
- Specify the start and end date for the period you want to view.

**Profile:** Customize which features of the transactions you would like shown in the Transaction History window.

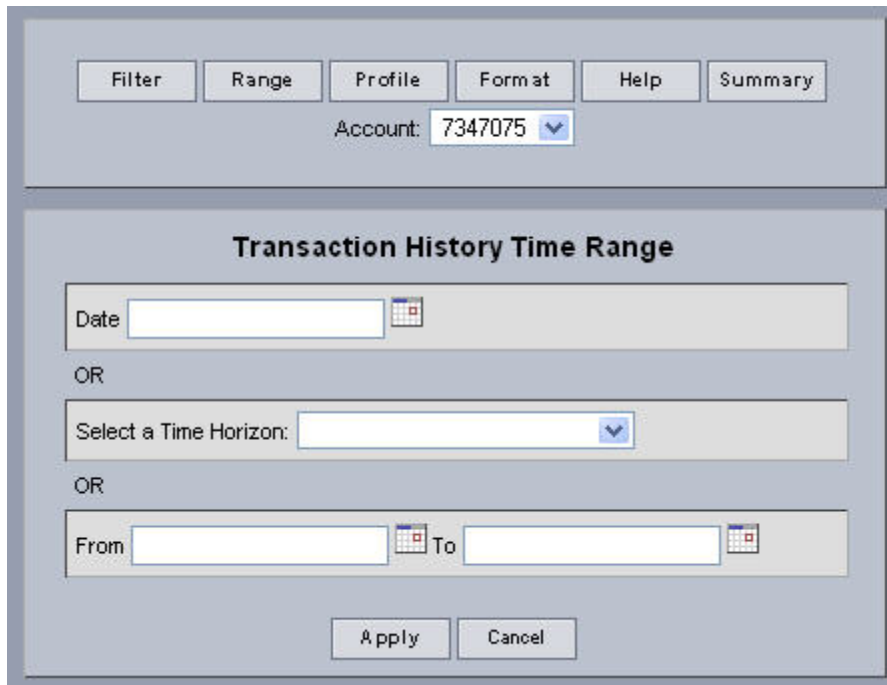
Available features include: ticket, date, duration, transaction, pair, price, units, stop loss, take profit, transaction link, lower bound, upper bound, amount, interest, PL, and balance. The first two features (ticket and date) are always displayed; the rest are optional.

**Format:** The transaction history can be generated in either HTML or CSV format.

**Help:** Displays a separate window that explains how to use the buttons in this section.

**Summary:** Displays a summary of your account.

**Account:** Lets you select from a list of your accounts.



The dialog box titled "Transaction History Time Range" is located within a larger window. At the top of the window, there is a row of buttons: "Filter", "Range", "Profile", "Format", "Help", and "Summary". Below these buttons, the "Account:" label is followed by a dropdown menu showing "7347075". The main area of the dialog box contains three options for selecting a time range, separated by "OR" labels. The first option is a "Date" field with a calendar icon. The second option is a "Select a Time Horizon:" dropdown menu. The third option consists of "From" and "To" date fields, each with a calendar icon. At the bottom of the dialog box are "Apply" and "Cancel" buttons.

**Transaction History Buttons and Ranges.**

## Report Details

The Full Transaction History has up to 16 columns, as shown in the sample below. To add or remove columns, click the **Filter** button at the top of the Transaction History window.

Ticket **	Date **	Expiry	Transaction	Pair	Price	Units	Stop Loss	Take Profit	Tran Link	Lower Bound	Upper Bound	Interest	P/L	Amount	Balance (CAD)
365321485	October 29 11:39:46 2007		Change Trade	USD/CAD	0.9761	5,000	1.0088	0.9364	<a href="#">367789233</a>			0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	103,080.60
365324110	October 29 12:09:28 2007		Sell Market	USD/CAD	0.9545	20,000	0.9748	0.9043						0.0000	103,080.60
365326968	October 29 12:52:45 2007		Buy Box (194866)	USD/CAD										0.0000	102,980.60
365334155	October 29 14:14:06 2007		Buy Market	USD/CAD	0.9531	1,000	0.9328	0.9702	<a href="#">361579761</a>			-0.0139	48.9200	48.9061	103,029.51
365334157	October 29 14:14:06 2007		Buy Market	USD/CAD	0.9531	4,000	0.9328	0.9702	<a href="#">367789233</a>			-0.0671	92.1600	92.0929	103,121.60
365334299	October 29 14:16:10 2007		Buy Market	USD/CAD	0.9529	1,000	0.9343	0.9724	<a href="#">367789233</a>			-0.0168	23.2200	23.2032	103,144.81
365334300	October 29 14:16:10 2007		Buy Market	USD/CAD	0.9529	4,000	0.9343	0.9724	<a href="#">365324110</a>			-0.0073	6.3600	6.3527	103,151.16
365334300	October 29 14:17:56 2007		Buy Market	USD/CAD	0.9529	1,000	0.9343	0.9724	<a href="#">365324110</a>			0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	103,151.16

**Ticket:** Uniquely identifies the transaction.

**Date:** The date and time of the transaction.

**Expiry:** Indicates limit order expiry dates.

**Transaction:** Identifies the type of transaction. (For a list of transaction types, see [Activities Table](#).)

**Pair:** The currency pair associated with the transaction. In the event that the transaction type is *Interest* (earned on your account balance), the entry refers to the account currency.

**Price:** The currency exchange rate related to the transaction.

**Units:** The size of the transaction, in units, expressed in the base currency.

**Stop Loss:** The price specified as a stop loss. For more information about Stop Loss and Take Profit, see [Place a Market Order](#).

**Take Profit:** The price specified as a take profit.

**Tran Link:** The transaction number of the original transaction. For example, the transaction number for a limit order in one row of the history report will also appear in the Transaction Link column of another row describing any activity related to this original limit order (for example, Modify Order, Order Fulfilled, Order Expired, and so on).



**Lower Bound:** The price specified as the lower bound. For more information about bounds, see [Place a Market Order](#).

**Upper Bound:** The price specified as the upper bound.

**Interest:** Interest paid on account balances, or net financing charges on a given trade.

**P/L:** The amount of profit and loss for the transaction.

**Amount:** This field shows two types of data depending on the transaction:

- The number of units of the base currency for trades. This value is not used in the P&L calculation and does not affect the value in the Account Balance field.
- A monetary amount shown in the account home currency, for monetary transactions other than trades (for example, for Box Options, interest credited and debited, or fund deposits and withdrawals). Interest amounts are added to or deducted from the account balance.

**Balance:** Shows the account balance at the conclusion of the transaction. This value is not affected by open trades; it is only updated when a trade is closed.

## User Preferences Window

Click **Tools > User Preferences** to access the User Preferences window.

The window has five tabs:

- [Chart Tab](#)
- [Quotes Tab](#)
- [Trading Tab](#)
- [Locale Tab](#)
- [Misc Tab](#)

You can return all preferences to their default size/settings by clicking the **Restore Defaults** button, available on every tab. (If you click this button and want to return to your customized settings, restart the platform.)

### Chart Tab

The Chart tab lets you customize chart features.



**Draw Horizontal Graph Line:** Check this box to show a horizontal crosshair running across the chart area at the cursor location.

**Draw Vertical Graph Line:** Check this box to show a vertical crosshair running across the chart area at the cursor location.

**Draw Graph Information Box:** Shows detailed rate information in the bottom-left corner of the graph for the time at the cursor location. This information varies with the [type of graph](#) you've selected.

**Auto-extend Trendlines Left:** Left-extends trendlines to the beginning of the graph. (For information on trendlines, see [Drawing Trendlines](#).)

**Auto-extend Trendlines Right:** Right-extends trendlines to the end of the graph.

**Magnetic Trendlines:** Automatically snaps trendlines to the exchange rate curve in the graph.

**Default Trendline Colour:** Choose the default trendline colour from a list of colours.

**Trendline Style:** Choose from a list of styles for trendlines (dotted line, solid line, and so on).

**Ignore Weekend Data:** Check this box to ignore weekend data when computing overlay/indicator data and to use the following controls:

**Hide Weekend Data:** Removes weekend data from the chart. (Available only when Ignore Weekend Data is checked.)

**Weekend Start, Weekend End:** Lets you define the weekend start and end times. (Available only when Ignore Weekend Data is checked.)

## Quotes Tab

The Quotes tab lets you specify which currency pairs and commodities are shown in the FXTrade interface.

(To see a list of the 3-letter acronyms used for currency codes, go to the [FXLookup](#) web page.)



The pairs and pair order shown in the Quote List on the right side of the Quotes tab reflect what appears in the FXTrade interface.

- **To add currencies** to the FXTrade interface, select them from the list on the left and click **Add** to add them to the Quote List. (To add all currencies, click **Add All**.)
- **To remove currencies** from the FXTrade interface, select them from the Quote List on the right and click **Remove**. (To remove all currencies and start again, click **Remove All**.)
- **To add or remove commodities**, change the pull-down menu (located above the list on the left) to **Commodities**.

- **To change the order** in which currency pairs are displayed in the interface, from the Quote List on the right side, select each currency pair you want to move, and then click the arrows next to **Move Up** or **Move Down**.

## Trading Tab

The Trading tab lets you change the default parameters that appear when you're making a trade.



### *Change Trading Settings for Individual Currency Pairs*

The following settings apply to individual currency pairs (if you select a pair and click the **Use Custom Settings** box).

**MARKET:** Choose a currency pair from this list box if you want to use custom settings for that pair. Leave "DEFAULT" selected if you want the settings to apply to all pairs.

**Use Custom Settings:** Check this box if you want the settings to apply to the pair you selected from the MARKET list box. (This box is grayed out if the DEFAULT market is selected.)

After you customize settings for a particular currency pair, you can toggle between those settings and the default settings by clicking this check box on and off.

**Default Order Size:** The default order size used in any "units" field (for example, in the Buy/Sell window). Use the pull-down menu beside this field to set the number of units (for example, 10,000) of the base currency or the account currency, or the percentage of units available to trade.

As an example for the percentage available to trade, if you have a USD account with 20:1 leverage, USD \$10,000 of margin available, and you've set the default order size to 20%, then for currency pairs with the base currency of USD the following value will be displayed in the units field:  $(10,000 \times 20) \times 20\% = 40,000$  units.

For pairs where the base currency differs from the account's home currency, the default unit size reflects the current exchange rate of the base currency when converted to the home currency. In the previous example (with a USD home currency), if the EUR/USD rate at the time was 1.5000,

then the default unit size in the Buy/Sell window for the EUR/USD pair would be  $(10,000 \times 20) \times 20\% / 1.5000 = 26,666$  units.

**Default Box Purchase Price:** The default purchase price provided when you request a Box Option. Choose from number of units of the base currency, or the base currency equivalent.

**Default Bounds:** The default value that appears in the bounds fields of the Buy/Sell window. Choose from pips, a percentage, or a monetary amount.

**Default Stop Loss:** The default value that appears in the Stop Loss field. Choose from pips, a percentage, or a monetary amount.

**Default Take Profit:** The default value that appears in the Take Profit field. Choose from pips, a percentage, or a monetary amount.

**Default Limit Order Duration:** By default, limit orders expire after one week. Instead, you can set the default expiry period to a selected number of hours, days, or even a month.

### ***Global Trading Settings***

The following settings apply to all currency pairs:

**Enable Bounds By Default:** Automatically enables and populates the bounds fields in the Order window with the default bounds.

**Enable Stop Loss By Default:** Automatically enables and populates the stop loss field in the Order window with the default stop loss.

**Enable Take Profit By Default:** Automatically enables and populates the take profit field in the Order window with the default take profit.

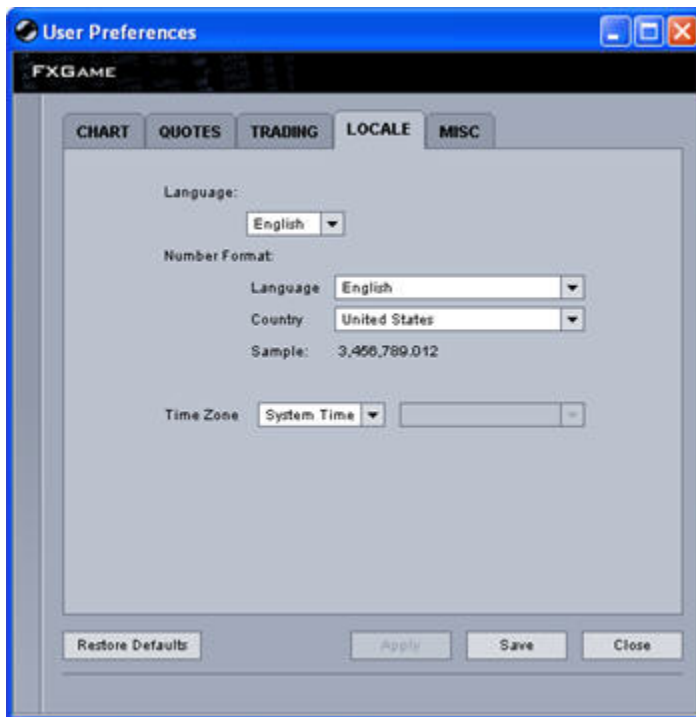
**Show Confirmation Windows:** Click if you want to see windows asking you to confirm your action after you buy, sell, close, or modify a trade order.

**Confirm Position Reversal:** Notifies you if a position is being reduced, closed, or reversed by a new trade. This notification will be issued even if confirmation windows are disabled.

**Confirm One-Click Trades:** When checked, provides a confirmation window for one-click trades that you make from the Quote Panel.

## Locale Tab

The Locale tab enables you to choose settings related to your language and geographic location.



**Language:** Changes the text of the FXTrade interface to a different language. Choose from a list of available languages.

**Number Format:** Numbers are written in varying formats around the world. To change the number format used in the FXTrade interface, choose your language and then choose your country (only those countries where that language is spoken are shown). A sample number appears, showing you the number format that will be used in the FXTrade interface.

**Time Zone:** By default, the time zone matches the one set in your computer's operating system. To change the time zone, select the new time (London - Greenwich Mean Time +/- *n* hours). Because some regions use Daylight Savings Time at different times of the year, you also need to select your geographic area to ensure the system tracks time changes.

## Misc Tab

The Misc tab enables you to choose a number of settings.



**Show Dual Bid/Ask Columns:** When checked, shows the bid and ask prices in separate columns in the Quote List. When not checked, the last three digits of the ask price are shown after the bid price in the same column (for example, 1.56950/959).

**Colour Coded Tables:** Fills in the table rows with colour. By default, long positions are blue and short positions are orange.

**Show Pipettes:** Shows pipettes, or "fractional pips," in the tables, graphs, and current rate displays. If pipettes are hidden, the rates are rounded to the nearest pip for display purposes. ([Read about pipettes](#) on the FXTrade web site.)

**Sort Sub Accounts:** When checked, sub-accounts are ordered alphabetically. When not checked, sub-accounts are typically ordered by creation date. (This order appears in both menus and the sub-account switcher.)


**Show Sub Account Switcher:** Shows buttons you can click to switch from one sub-account to another. These buttons appear in the Account Summary (when it's fully extended). They are numbered 1, 2, and so on, representing the order of the sub-accounts (as determined by the **Sort Sub Accounts** checkbox, above).

**Alert Sound:** (*This feature is available only in the FXGame Beta.*) Choose from a variety of sounds to alert you when a new transaction appears in the activity table. For example, you can use this feature to alert you when a Limit Order, a Take Profit, or a Stop Loss is triggered.

**Lock Screen after:** The FXTrade platform will be locked after the number of minutes you type in this field, and you will need to use your password to unlock it. Use a value of zero "0" if you want to disable screen locking.

### ***A Note on Misc Tab Updates***

The following controls were moved to other windows in the interface:

- **Time Zone:** This setting is now in the Locale tab.
- **Show Action Buttons:** To display the [Action Buttons](#), use the Tools > View menu.
- **Profit Column Format:** To show/hide the formats of the profit columns in a table, click the  button beside the table's scroll bars.

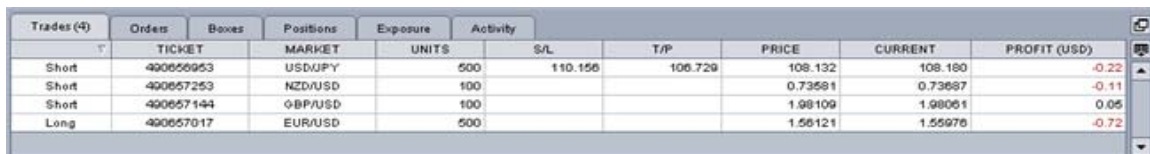


# Tables

## Table Actions

The Table panel at the top of the FXTrade Platform window has six tabs you can use to access their respective tables:

- **Trades:** Lists your open trades (the default view).
- **Orders:** Lists all open limit orders as well as take profit (T/P) and stop loss (S/L) orders on open trades.
- **Boxes:** Lists details for all open Box Options. In particular, the resale value of open boxes is shown if you are interested in selling boxes before they expire.
- **Positions:** Lists aggregated positions by currency pair. For example, if you have three trades in USD/JPY, the Positions Table will show these trades aggregated into a single USD/JPY position.
- **Exposure:** Lists aggregated positions by currency.
- **Activity:** Lists the most recent transactions.



T	TICKET	MARKET	UNITS	S/L	T/P	PRICE	CURRENT	PROFIT (USD)
Short	490650953	USD/JPY	500	110.156	106.729	108.132	108.180	-0.22
Short	490657253	NZD/USD	100			0.73581	0.73687	-0.11
Short	490657144	GBP/USD	100			1.98109	1.98061	0.05
Long	490657017	EUR/USD	500			1.56121	1.55976	-0.72

*FXTrade tables interface, showing all tabs, with the Trades tab selected*

## Mouse Actions for Tables

You can change the information displayed in a table in several ways:


- **Scrolling:** The scroll bar is located on the right-hand side of the table. Use it (or use the scroll wheel on your mouse) to scroll up or down through the rows in the table.
- **Sorting:** Click on a column header to sort the table based on that column. Click once to sort the column in ascending order (larger numbers and later letters are further down the list). Click again to sort it in descending order (larger numbers and later letters are higher up the list).
- **Resizing:** Expand the table area in relation to the graph area by clicking and dragging the border between the table and the graph.
- **Row Highlighting:** For ease of reference, position the cursor over a particular row to highlight the row.
- **Hiding:** To hide the entire table area, select **Tools > View > Tables**.

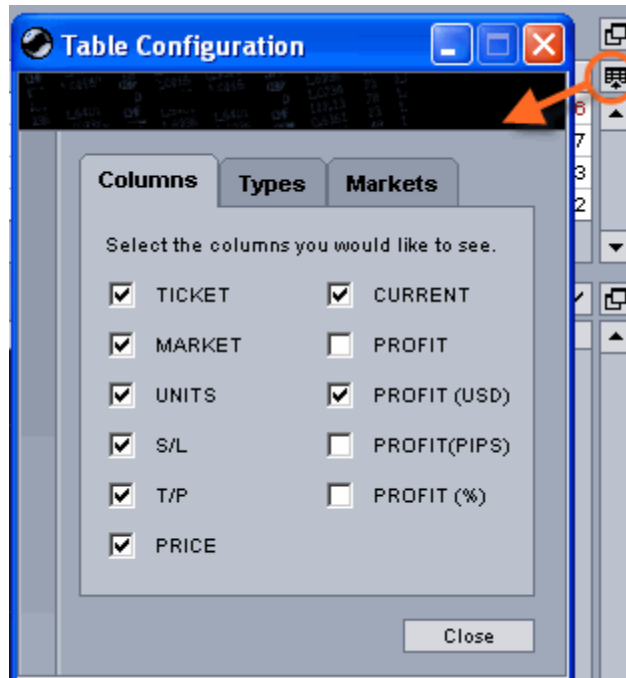
## Duplicating Tables

You can view tables in their own separate window to keep track of several tables at the same time.

From the main FXTrade window, click the  button in the table's upper left corner. The current table (with its current configuration) appears in a separate window and remains in the FXTrade window.

## Configuring Tables

Click the  button (located next to the scroll bars beside any table) to open the Table Configuration window for that table.




This window has three tabs:

- **Columns:** Lets you show or hide particular columns in the table.
- **Types:** Lets you show only particular types of table entries. For example, T/P (Take profit) or S/L (Stop Loss) orders, Short or Long positions, transaction types, and so on.
- **Markets:** Lets you add or remove particular currency pairs (markets) from the table.

## Trades Table

The Trades table shows a list of your open trades:

Trades (4)	Orders	Boxes	Positions	Exposure	Activity				
T	TICKET	MARKET	UNITS	S/L	T/P	PRICE	CURRENT	PROFIT (USD)	
Short	490656953	USD/JPY	500	110.156	106.729	108.132	108.180	-0.22	
Short	490657253	NZD/USD	100			0.73591	0.73687	-0.11	
Short	490657144	GBP/USD	100			1.98109	1.98061	0.05	
Long	490657017	EUR/USD	500			1.56121	1.55976	-0.72	

**Note:** If you don't see all these columns, click the  button beside the table to add them from the Table Configuration window.

## Trades Table Columns

**First column:** Indicates whether the trade is a long (buy) or a short (sell).

**Ticket:** The number that uniquely identifies an open trade. You can use this number as a reference for inquiries with OANDA, or to search for related transactions in the Transaction History database or Activity Log table.

**Market:** The currency pair involved in the trade.

**Units:** The trade size, or number of units of the base currency bought or sold.

**S/L:** The Stop Loss value for the trade. The trade will be closed automatically when/if the exchange rate crosses this value.

**T/P:** The Take Profit value for the trade. The trade will be closed automatically when/if the exchange rate crosses this value.

**Price:** The exchange rate at which the trade was executed (that is, became a trade).

**Current:** The current exchange rate for the trade's currency pair. The current **bid** rate is displayed for long positions; the current **ask** rate for short positions. This rate would apply if you closed your position at this point in time.

**Profit:** Refers to unrealized profit when positive and unrealized loss when negative. The profit and loss value is shown in the "Unrealized P&L" section of the Account Summary, and is continuously updated to reflect market conditions. When an open trade is closed, the unrealized profit (or loss) becomes "realized" and is added to (or subtracted from) your account balance.

Click the  button above the table's scroll bar to select one or more profit formats:

- **Profit:** The difference between the opening rate and the current rate, expressed in the quote currency.
- **Home Currency:** The profit, expressed in your account's default, or home, currency.
- **PIPS:** The difference between the opening rate and the current market rate, expressed in pips.
- **Percent:** The difference between the opening rate and the current market rate, expressed as a percentage of the opening rate.

## Close or Modify Trades

Click on a row with an open trade. A window appears showing two options:

- **Close trade:** [Closes the trade](#).
- **Modify trade:** Lets you set [stop loss/take profit limits](#) or modify them.


(For other mouse actions when using this table, go to the [top](#) of this page.)

## Orders Table

The Orders table shows a list of your currently open orders. An open order is a request that a trade should be opened or closed automatically if the exchange rate of the currency pair reaches a specified threshold.

The Orders table lists all open orders (orders that will become trades if the exchange rate reaches a threshold) and all take profit and stop loss orders on currently open trades. It doesn't list changes you made to open limit orders.

Trades	Orders (15)	Boxes	Positions	Exposure	Activity				
	TICKET	MARKET	UNITS	S/L	T/P	PRICE	CURRENT	DISTANCE	EXPIRY
TP	365340318	USD/CAD	50,000	n/a	n/a	0.94075	0.95380	130.5	GTC
TP	365339804	USD/CAD	1,100	n/a	n/a	0.93195	0.95380	218.5	GTC
TP	365337011	USD/CAD	2,700	n/a	n/a	0.94606	0.95380	77.4	GTC
TP	365324110	USD/CAD	5,900	n/a	n/a	0.90433	0.95380	494.7	GTC
TP	351579907	EUR/GBP	1,000	n/a	n/a	0.67267	0.69825	255.8	GTC

**Note:** If you don't see all these columns, click the  button beside the table to add them from the Table Configuration window.

### Orders Table Columns

**First column:** Indicates whether the order is a buy (long) or a sell (short) limit order, or a take profit ("TP") or a stop loss ("SL") order on an open trade.

**Ticket:** The number that uniquely identifies an open order. You can use this number as a reference for inquiries with OANDA, or to search for related transactions in the Transaction History database or Activity Log table.

**Market:** The currency pair involved in the order.

**Units:** The size of the order, expressed in the base currency.

**S/L:** The stop loss value for the order. The resultant trade would be automatically closed when/if the exchange rate crossed this value.

**T/P:** The take profit value for the order. The resultant trade would be automatically closed when/if the exchange rate crossed this value.

**Price:** The trade is executed (opened) when/if the exchange rate for the specified currency pair reaches this value.

**Current:** The current exchange rate for this order's currency pair. The current ask rate is displayed for long orders; the current bid rate for short orders.

**Distance:** The distance, in pips, between the order price and the current market price.

**Expiry:** The amount of time before the order is automatically cancelled. The following durations are available:

- 1 week (the default)
- Hours: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 18
- Days: 1, 2
- Months: 1
- GTC: Good (un)Til Canceled (for stop loss and take profit orders only).

### Cancel or Modify Orders

Click on a row with an order. A window appears showing two options:


- **Cancel order:** [Cancels the order.](#)
- **Modify order:** Lets you modify the exchange rates at which the trade will be executed, the number of units in the potential trade, the duration the order is to remain open, upper and lower bounds, or the take profit or stop loss limits.

(For other mouse actions when using this table, go to the [top](#) of this page.)

## Boxes Table

The Boxes Table displays a list of your open Box Options (price boxes). Box Options are not included in the Trades or Positions tables.

Trades	Orders	Boxes	Positions	Exposure	Activity				
	BOX ID /	MARKET	PRICE	PAYMENT	RESALE	START	END	MAX	MIN
Open Hit	72474	GBP/CHF	100.00	142.35	5.88	Mar 14, 10:10	Mar 14, 10:20	2.27660	2.27560
Open Miss	72476	USD/JPY	100.00	241.87	59.76	Mar 14, 10:55	Mar 14, 11:00	118.161	117.810
Open Miss	72477	USD/HKD	100.00	2,000.00	0.00	Mar 14, 10:20	Mar 14, 10:25	7.7593	7.7570
Open Hit	72481	EUR/JPY	100.00	486.87	9.91	Mar 14, 10:25	Mar 14, 10:30	140.777	140.530

**Note:** If you don't see all these columns, click the  button beside the table to add them from the Table Configuration window.

### Boxes Table Columns

**First column:** Indicates whether the position is a hit or miss box.

**Box ID:** Uniquely identifies the Box Option.

**Market:** The currency pair for the Box Option.

**Price:** The price that was paid for the Box Option.

**Payment:** The payment amount if the Box Option is successful.

**Resale:** The amount you would receive if you sold the Box Option right now.

**Start:** Indicates when your Box Option begins. The start time corresponds to left side of your box.

**End:** Indicates when your Box Option ends. The end time corresponds to the right side of your box.

**Max:** The maximum exchange rate included in your Box Option. The maximum level corresponds to the top of your box.

**Min:** The minimum exchange rate included in your Box Option. The minimum level corresponds to the bottom of your box.

### Sell Boxes


Click on a row with an open box to open a window in which you can sell the box for the current resale value.

(For other mouse actions when using this table, go to the [top](#) of this page.)

## Positions Table

The Positions Table displays a list of all your open positions except Box Options. It is similar to the Open Trades table, except that all trades for a given currency pair are aggregated into one line (a single "position").

Trades	Orders	Boxes	Positions (3)	Exposure	Activity				
▽	MARKET	UNITS	EXPOSURE (USD)	AVG. PRICE	CURRENT	PROFIT	PROFIT (USD)	PROFIT(PIPS)	PROFIT (%)
Short	EUR/USD	5,000	7,287.10	1.45904	1.45751	0.00153	7.65	15.3	0.10
Long	EUR/CAD	8,000	8,745.06	1.45976	1.45932	-0.00044	-2.64	-4.4	-0.03
Long	USD/JPY	8,000	8,000.00	107.230	107.265	0.035	2.61	3.5	0.03

**Note:** If you don't see all these columns, click the  button beside the table to add them from the Table Configuration window.

## Positions Table Columns

**First column:** Indicates whether the position is a Long (buy) or a Short (sell).

**Market:** The position's currency pair.

**Units:** The size of the position, in base currency units.

**Exposure:** The overall exposure to the currency pair. This value represents the sum of all trades involving this currency pair.

**Avg. Price:** The weighted average exchange rate for all the trades that comprise this position.

**Current:** The current market exchange rate you would receive if you closed the position. (The **bid** rate is shown for long positions and the **ask** rate is shown for short positions.)

**Profit:** Unrealized profit (for positive values) or loss (for negative values). The profit/loss value is reflected in the "Unrealized P&L" section of the Account Summary, and is continuously updated to reflect the latest exchange rates. If this position were closed, the unrealized profit (or loss) would be "realized" and added to (or subtracted from) your account balance.

Click the  button above the table's scroll bar to select one or more profit formats:

- **Profit:** The difference between the opening rate and the current rate, expressed in the quote currency.
- **Home Currency:** The profit, expressed in your account's default, or home, currency.
- **PIPS:** The difference between the opening rate and the current market rate, expressed in pips.
- **Percent:** The difference between the opening rate and the current market rate, expressed as a percentage of the opening rate.

## Close All Trades in a Position


Click on a row with an open position to open a window where you can **close the position**. (This closes all open trades in the position.)

(For other mouse actions when using this table, go to the [top](#) of this page.)

## Exposure Table

The Exposure Table displays the aggregated positions for individual currencies. All open positions for a currency are aggregated into a single line, which shows the net of all long and short positions for the currency. Only those currencies involved in open trades are shown in this table.

Trades	Orders	Boxes	Positions	Exposure	Activity
			MARKET		UNITS
	Long			CAD	138.22
	Long			EUR	100
	Short			MXN	1,073.85
	Short			NZD	500

**Note:** If you don't see all these columns, click the  button beside the table to add them from the Table Configuration window.

### Exposure Table Columns

**First column:** Indicates whether the exposure is Short or Long. (Nil indicates that the net effect of positions has created a zero, or nil, effect on a specific currency exposure. For instance, if you are short 10,000 EUR/JPY and long 10,000 EUR/USD, your EUR exposure is expressed as "nil".)

**Market:** The exposure's currency.

**Units:** The size of the exposure, in units of the exposure's currency.

### Close a Currency Exposure


Click on a row to open a window in which you can **close the exposure to that currency**. When you close an exposure, it will simultaneously close all trades involving that currency. For example, closing an EUR exposure closes **ALL** trades involving EUR as either the base or quote currency.

(For other mouse actions when using this table, go to the [top](#) of this page.)

## Activity Table

The Activity Table shows a list of the most recent transactions on the account. This table displays either the previous two weeks of activity or previous three hundred transactions, whichever is smaller. To access a full list of past transactions, use the [Transaction History](#).

Trades	Orders	Boxes	Positions	Exposure	Activity	
TICKET	TYPE	MARKET	UNITS	PRICE	BALANCE	DATE/TIME
186164527	Cancel Order	EUR/JPY	100	140.396	100,604.50	Mar 14, 09:27
186164523	Modify Trade	EUR/CAD	100	1.3822	100,604.50	Mar 14, 09:27
185498304	Box Payment	EUR/USD	1	424.21	100,607.63	Mar 10, 08:33
185494897	Buy Box	EUR/USD	1	-100.00	100,283.42	Mar 10, 08:02

**Note:** If you don't see all these columns, click the  button beside the table to add them from the Table Configuration window.

### Activity Table Columns

**Ticket:** Uniquely identifies the transaction.

**Type:** Identifies the type of transaction (see below for a full list with descriptions).

**Market:** The currency or currency pair associated with the transaction.

**Units:** The trade size, expressed in the base currency. The value "1" is shown for interest, Box Options, or other administrative entries.

**Price:** The currency exchange rate applied when buying or selling a currency pair, or the amount of interest earned or paid, where applicable.

**Balance:** The account balance after the transaction was processed.

**Date/Time:** The date and time of the transaction.

***Types of Activity Transactions***

<b>Box Close</b>	Your Box Option was unsuccessful and you did not receive a payment. (That is, your hit-box was missed or your miss-box was hit.)
<b>Box Payment</b>	Your Box Option was successful and you received a payment. (That is, your hit-box was hit or your miss-box was missed.)
<b>Buy Box</b>	You bought a Box Option and the Purchase Price was deducted from your account balance.
<b>Buy Market</b>	You entered a Buy Market order.
<b>Buy Order</b>	You entered a Buy Limit order.
<b>Buy Market Filled</b>	Your Buy Entry order was filled.
<b>Change Margin</b>	Your account's margin ratio was changed.
<b>Change Order</b>	Your Limit Order was modified.
<b>Change Trade</b>	The stop loss and/or take profit orders were changed for a given trade.
<b>Close Position</b>	You closed a position.
<b>Close Trade</b>	You closed a trade.
<b>Fund Deposit</b>	A deposit was made to your account.
<b>Fund Withdrawal</b>	A withdrawal was made from your account.
<b>Interest</b>	Interest was paid on the account balance, or was paid/charged for a given trade.
<b>Margin Call</b>	All open positions were closed because there was insufficient margin in your account.



<b>Order Cancelled (BV)</b>	Orders can be submitted with lower and upper bounds. If the market price on execution falls outside these bounds, it is considered a " <b>B</b> ounds <b>V</b> iolation" and the order is cancelled.
<b>Order Cancelled (NSF)</b>	Your order was cancelled because of " <b>N</b> on <b>S</b> ufficient <b>F</b> unds". (There wasn't enough money in your account to complete the order.)
<b>Order Cancelled</b>	Your Limit Order was cancelled at your request.
<b>Order Expired</b>	Your Limit Order expired.
<b>Order Filled</b>	Your Limit Order was filled.
<b>Sell Box</b>	You sold your Box Option at its resale value before it expired.
<b>Sell Market</b>	You entered a Sell Market order.
<b>Sell Order</b>	You entered a Sell Limit order.
<b>Sell Market Filled</b>	Your Sell Entry order was filled.
<b>Stop Loss</b>	A stop loss order was triggered, closing a long or short position.
<b>Take Profit</b>	A take profit order was triggered, closing a long or short position.
<b>Wire Fee</b>	A processing fee was charged to your account for transferring money from your FXTrade account to your bank account by wire.