

Opening a Trade in MetaTrader

Step 1: Launch MetaTrader

- Open your MetaTrader platform on your computer or mobile device.

Step 2: Access the New Order Tab

- Look for the “**New Order**” tab (usually located at the top or in the toolbar).
- Click on it to open a dialog box where you can set up your trade.

Step 3: Choose Your Currency Pair

- Select the currency pair you want to trade (e.g., EUR/USD, GBP/JPY).

Step 4: Decide on Position (Buy or Sell)

- **Long Position (Buy):** If you believe the currency will appreciate, click “**Buy**”.
- **Short Position (Sell):** If you expect depreciation, click “**Sell**”.

Step 5: Set Stop-Loss and Take-Profit Levels

- **Stop-Loss (SL):** Determine the price level at which you want to limit potential losses.
 - Example: If you’re risking 50 pips, set your SL 50 pips away from your entry price.
- **Take-Profit (TP):** Set the price level where you want to secure profits.
 - Example: If you’re aiming for 100 pips profit, set your TP accordingly.

Step 6: Calculate Position Size

- Consider your risk tolerance (usually a percentage of your account balance).
- Calculate the lot size based on your risk and stop-loss distance.
 - Example: With a 2% risk and a 50-pip stop-loss, determine the appropriate lot size.

2. Risk Calculation Example

Suppose:

- Risk Percentage: 2%
 - Stop-Loss: 50 pips
1. Calculate the dollar amount you’re willing to risk:

- If your account balance is \$1,000, 2% risk = \$20.
- 2. Determine the pip value:
 - If trading EUR/USD, where 1 pip = \$10 (for a standard lot):
 - $50 \text{ pips} \times \$10 = \500 .
- 3. Adjust your lot size:
 - $\$20 \text{ risk} / \$500 \text{ pip value} = 0.04 \text{ standard lots (or 4 mini lots)}$.

Remember:

- Always use stop-loss orders to protect your capital.
- Practice risk management to preserve your account.