METATRADER 5 EXPERT ADVISOR

Installation Guide

From a fresh MT5 to one-tap control — BASE and PRO

ONE TAP CONTROL ANYWHERE

Panel **v4.2** · Telegram bridge **v1.5** · Edition 4

Contents

Work through the chapters in order. **BASE customers stop after Chapter 5.** PRO customers do Chapter 6 as well.

Before you open MetaTrader

You should have received two files. If either is missing, stop and contact whoever sold you Trade Dash.

The EA file Required

Ends in `.ex5`. PRO customers get **two** — the panel and the Telegram bridge.

Your licence file Required

Ends in `.set`, named after you, e.g. `John_Tan_PRO.set`. Your licence key is already inside.

KEEP THE .SET FILE SAFE

It holds your licence key. Do not post it in a group chat, and keep a backup somewhere you can find it — you will need it if you reinstall MT5 or change computer.

Time needed: BASE about 10 minutes. PRO about 25 minutes. Every step is a click — you do not need to be technical.

CHAPTER 1

Before you start

Which tier you bought, what your computer needs, and the one requirement people always miss.

Trade Dash is a control panel on your MT5 chart. It closes positions, moves stops to break even and banks part of your profit — in one click. PRO adds the same controls in Telegram. It does **not** open trades and it does not trade for you; it manages positions that already exist.

Which tier do you have?

The name of your `.set` file tells you.

BASE Panel only

`YourName_BASE.set` — one EA file, the on-chart panel. Chapters 2 to 5, then you are done.

PRO Panel + Telegram

`YourName_PRO.set` — two EA files. Do Chapters 2 to 5 first: Telegram is built on top of a working panel.

What your computer needs

REQUIREMENT	DETAIL
MetaTrader 5 desktop	Windows or macOS. The MT5 phone app cannot run Expert Advisors, so installation happens on a computer.
A logged-in account	Live or demo, showing live prices.
Internet	The licence is checked online. A brief dropout is fine — it keeps working for 15 minutes on the last good answer.
The computer stays on	**The one people miss.** An EA only runs while MT5 is open. Close MT5 or let the machine sleep and Trade Dash stops, Telegram included. See Chapter 7.

The order matters

CHAPTER 2
Open the door
Allow the licence server. Nothing works until this is done.

›

CHAPTER 3
Install
Copy the EA into the right folder.

›

CHAPTER 4
Activate
Load your `.set`. The key fills itself in.

›

CHAPTER 6
Telegram
PRO only. Bot, ID, bridge.

Installing before allowing the web address is the most common mistake: the panel appears, reports a licence error, and looks broken when it is not. And you never need to type your licence key — loading the `.set` file does it.

BEFORE YOU TOUCH A BUTTON ON A LIVE ACCOUNT

Install on a **demo account first** and press every button once with a small position open. Trade Dash acts immediately — there is no confirmation dialog, because in a fast market a confirmation dialog is the problem, not the safety net.

CHAPTER 2

Prepare MetaTrader 5

Two web addresses and one switch, before you install anything.

Trade Dash checks your licence against a secure server. MT5 blocks all outgoing connections by default, so you allow this one address by hand. Thirty seconds, once, forever.

1. **Tools** → **Options** (`Ctrl`+`O`) → the **Expert Advisors** tab.
2. Tick **Allow WebRequest for listed URL:**
3. Click the empty line in the list and type or paste this **exactly**, then press `Enter`:

   ```
   https://dseoeifrktdwfzwzrfpx.supabase.co
   ```

4. **PRO only:** add a second line now and save yourself a second trip:

   ```
   https://api.telegram.org
   ```

5. Click **OK**. Not Cancel — the list is only saved when you click OK.

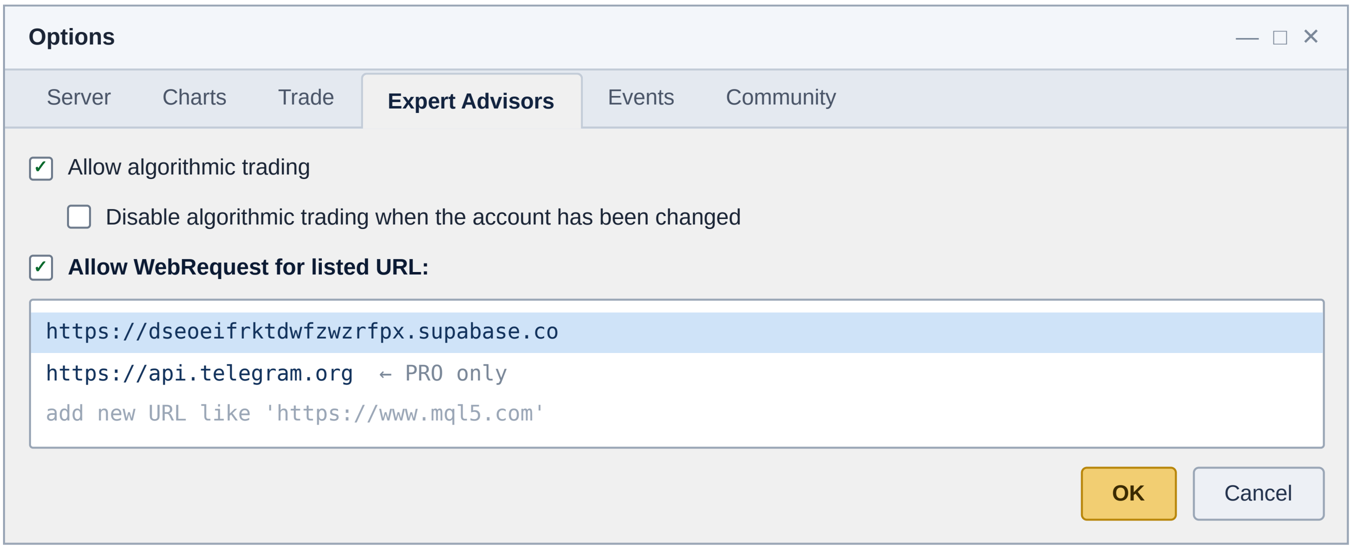


Figure 2.1 The two addresses Trade Dash needs. BASE customers only need the first.

Getting the address right

Nine out of ten licence errors are a typo on this one line.

RULE	WHY
Starts with https://	Without it MT5 tries port 80 and is refused.
No slash at the end	A trailing slash is a different address and will not match.
No spaces	A space pasted from an email breaks it invisibly.
The tick box is ticked	The list is ignored while the box is unticked.
You clicked OK	Cancel discards everything you typed.

> **CHECK IT PROPERLY**
> Close Options with **OK**, then open it again and read the list. If the address survives a round trip it is genuinely saved. Safest of all: copy it from this PDF rather than typing it.

Turn on Algo Trading

MT5 has a master switch that must be on before *any* Expert Advisor can act. It is in the toolbar at the top. Click it so it lights up green.

Green — on   **Red** — off, no EA can trade

Figure 2.2 The **Algo Trading** button, on and off. Whatever else you configure, nothing trades while it is red.

Check before you continue

✓	CONFIRM
1	**Allow WebRequest for listed URL** is ticked
2	`https://dseoeifrktdwfzwzrfpx.supabase.co` is in the list, exactly, no trailing slash
3	PRO only: `https://api.telegram.org` is also in the list
4	The **Algo Trading** toolbar button is green

> **WHY ONLY THESE TWO**
> The WebRequest list is a whitelist — MT5 refuses every address that is not on it, including anything a rogue EA might try to reach. If you ever see an address there you did not put there, remove it.

CHAPTER 3

Install the EA files

Copy the file into one folder and press Refresh. There is no installer.

1. In MT5: **File** → **Open Data Folder**. Explorer opens.
2. Open **MQL5**, then **Experts**. This is the destination.
3. Copy your `.ex5` file in. **PRO: copy both files.**
4. Back in MT5, find the **Navigator** on the left (`Ctrl`+`N`).
5. Right-click **Expert Advisors** → **Refresh**. Trade Dash appears.

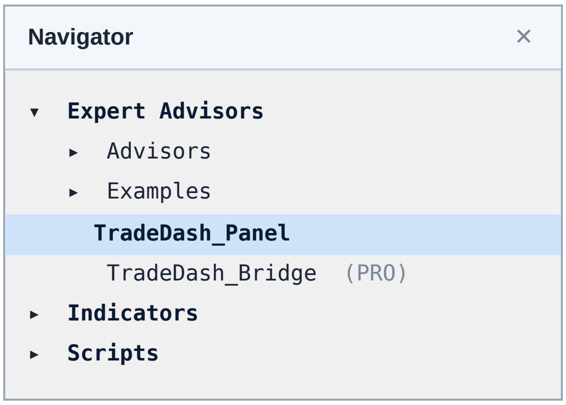


Figure 3.1 After a successful copy and refresh.

> **IT MUST BE EXPERTS, NOT MQL5 AND NOT A SUB-FOLDER**
>
> The path has to end `\MQL5\Experts`. Dropped into `MQL5` itself, into `Indicators`, or into a folder you created inside Experts, the EA will not appear and the file will look broken. Still missing after a refresh? Close MT5 and reopen it — a restart always re-reads the folder.

Where to keep your .set file

It does **not** go in the Experts folder. It can live anywhere, but MT5 looks in one place first, so put it there: **File** → **Open Data Folder** → **MQL5** → **Presets**. When you click **Load** in the next chapter, your file is already sitting in the folder that opens.

> **KEEP A SECOND COPY SOMEWHERE ELSE**
>
> The Presets folder lives inside MT5's data folder, and reinstalling MT5 can lose it. Keep a backup in your own documents or cloud drive. Your licence key lives in that file and nowhere else you can read.

CHAPTER 4

Activate your licence

Drag the EA onto a chart, tick one box, click Load. You never type a key.

Open a chart for the pair you actually trade first — the panel manages the symbol of the chart it sits on. The timeframe is irrelevant.

1. In **Market Watch**, double-click your symbol to open a chart.
2. Drag Trade Dash from the **Navigator** onto that chart. A settings window opens.
3. On the **Common** tab, tick **Allow Algo Trading**. (Older MT5 builds call this **Allow live trading**.)

TWO SWITCHES, NOT ONE

The toolbar **Algo Trading** button is the master switch for the whole terminal. This tick box is per-EA. A sad face on the chart nearly always means one of the two is off.

4. Click the **Inputs** tab, then **Load** at the bottom left.
5. Pick your `.set` file and click **Open**. The values fill in by themselves — **Customer license key** now shows your key.
6. Click **OK**.

Confirm it is live

TradeDash_Panel

Common | **Inputs** | Dependencies

Variable	Value
`=== LICENSE ===`	
Customer license key	`TD-9F3A1C7E52B0D846`
`=== CLAIM PROFIT ===`	
Claim button 1 (%)	`70.0`
Claim button 2 (%)	`50.0`
Claim button 3 (%)	`25.0`
`=== BREAK EVEN ===`	
BE offset in PIPS locked beyond entry	`2.0`

Load | Save | **OK** | Cancel

Figure 4.1 The Inputs tab after loading. The highlighted row is your licence key, filled in for you. The key shown is an example.

Three things tell you it worked. Check all three — each rules out a different failure.

✓	WHAT TO LOOK FOR
1	The **panel is on your chart**, top-left, titled Trade Dash.
2	A small **blue robot icon** next to the EA name, top-right corner of the chart — not a literal smiley, unlike MT4. Grey or crossed out means algo trading is off for this chart.
3	The **Status line** at the bottom of the panel says **Ready.**

What the status line means

STATUS	MEANING
Ready.	Working. Licence accepted.
Verifying license…	First check still in flight. If it never changes, the web address in Chapter 2 is wrong or missing.
LICENSE INACTIVE	The server answered and refused — expired, disabled, or already tied to another computer. Contact your seller.
Enter your license key	The `.set` never loaded. Repeat steps 4 to 6, making sure you are on the **Inputs** tab.

READ THE LOG IF ANYTHING LOOKS WRONG

`Ctrl`+`T` opens the Toolbox; the **Experts** tab carries a plain-English line for every start and every licence check. It names the real problem far more often than the Status line, and it is the first thing to send your seller if you get stuck.

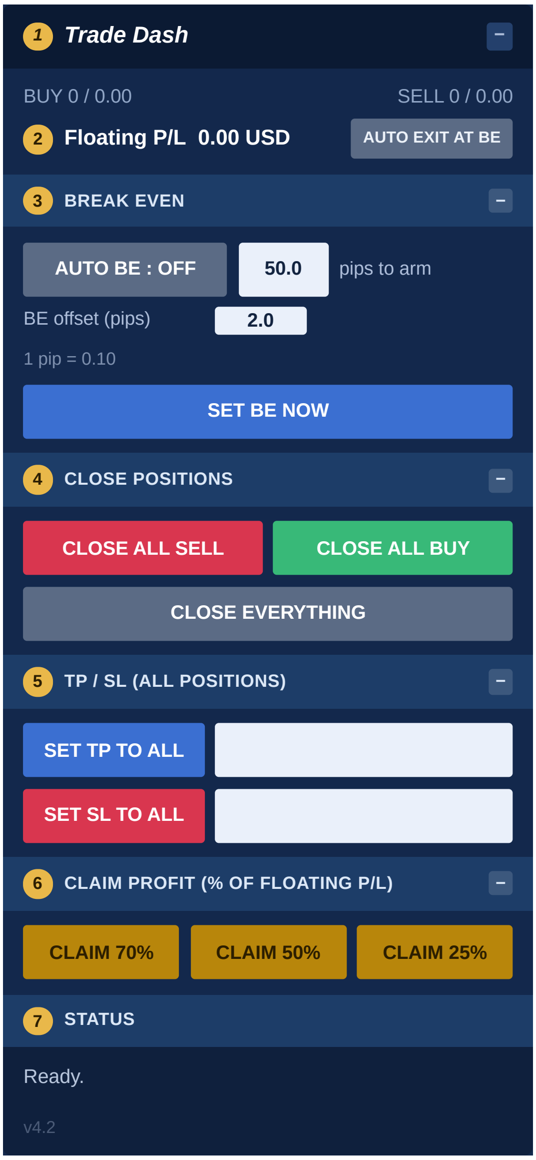
BASE: YOU ARE DONE. PRO: DO NOT SKIP AHEAD

Chapter 5 explains every button, including how to set your own claim percentages. Chapter 6 is Telegram, and it assumes a working panel showing **Ready.** — the bridge cannot fix a panel that is not running.

CHAPTER 5

Using the panel

Every button, what it touches, and what it leaves alone.



Seven areas, numbered to match the panel on the left. Every section header has a **–** button that collapses it, so you can hide the parts you never use.

1. **Title bar** — drag the panel by this.
2. **Live totals** — BUY/SELL counts, lot sizes, Floating P/L, and, once a position is open, a live **Price to breakeven** line. **AUTO EXIT AT BE** sits pinned here too, not inside Break Even below, so it stays visible even with every section collapsed.
3. **Break even** — shown first as of v4.2: stop to entry now, or hands-off by pips automatically.
4. **Close positions** — sell side, buy side, or everything.
5. **TP / SL** — one price applied to every position.
6. **Claim profit** — bank a percentage without closing the trade.
7. **Status** — the result of your last action, the licence state and the version.

THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION DIALOG

Every button acts the moment you click it, by design. The panel does ignore a second press of the same button within about a second, as a guard against double-clicks. A bulk button — CLOSE EVERYTHING, SET BE NOW, SET TP/SL TO ALL, CLAIM — sends every qualifying position together in one click, not one at a time. With dozens of positions open, some brokers throttle or reject a few of those rapid-fire requests; the Status line reports exactly how many succeeded, so just click the button again to catch the rest.

Break even

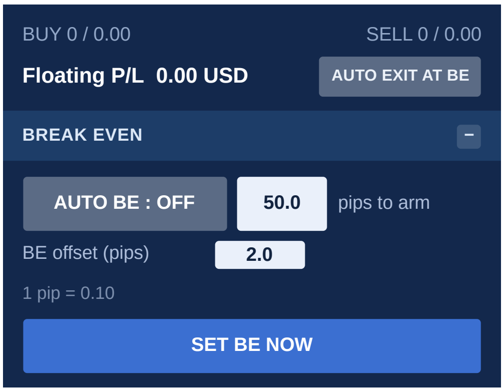
Shown first on the panel as of v4.2. Three independent ways to protect a position, from one manual click (this page) to fully hands-off (the next page).

SET BE NOW — the wide blue button

Moves the stop of every managed position to its entry price plus the **BE offset**. Positions not yet far enough in profit are skipped and reported — your broker will not accept a stop too close to the market.

BE offset (pips) — default 2.0

The stop goes a couple of pips into profit rather than exactly at entry, covering spread and commission so break even really is break even. Set 0 for the exact entry price.



Notice **AUTO EXIT AT BE** sits in the top row next to Floating P/L, not inside this section — it closes everything rather than just setting a stop, so it gets its own page next.

AUTO BE — hands off

The toggle starts grey, reading **AUTO BE : OFF**. Click it and it turns green. The panel then moves each managed position to break even the moment it is **pips to arm** in profit (default 50.0). The toggle, the arm distance and the offset are remembered per chart and survive a restart.

> **THE LINE UNDER THE BOXES IS YOUR PIP VALUE**
>
> `1 pip = 0.10 = 10.00 USD per 1.00 lot` — what a pip is worth on this symbol, with this broker, in your currency. Read it before choosing an arm distance: 50 pips means something very different on gold than on EURUSD. Note that break even is not a trailing stop — it moves the stop once and leaves it there.

Price to breakeven — new in v4.2

Next to Floating P/L, the panel now shows the exact price at which the whole basket nets to zero — calculated directly from entries, volumes, swap and commission, not searched for. It stays visible while winning or losing, and even while the panel is minimized, so it doubles as a level to set a protective stop against. A fully hedged basket (equal buy and sell volume) has no single such price and shows **hedged (flat)** instead.

> **INPCOMMISSIONPERLOT KEEPS THAT PRICE HONEST**
>
> MQL5 does not expose the commission your broker actually charged on a position, so this input feeds a manual round-turn estimate (account currency per 1.00 lot) into the calculation above. Leave it at 0 on a spread-only account; set it to your broker's real round-turn commission if they charge one, or the breakeven price will read a little optimistic.

Auto exit at breakeven — new in v4.2

The grey **AUTO EXIT AT BE** button pinned next to Floating P/L. Turn it on once, then leave it — it closes **every** position on the chart's symbol for you the moment your combined P/L gets back to flat.

What it does

Click it while you are **in profit** and it locks that in: it waits for P/L to slide *back down* to flat and closes everything right there, so a winning position can never turn into a loss. Click it while you are **down** and it does the opposite: it waits for P/L to *recover up* to flat and gets you out even, rather than riding a loss further. Either way, one click arms it and the panel does the watching.

It turns itself back off

The moment it actually closes your positions, the button switches back to **AUTO EXIT AT BE : OFF** by itself. It will not fire again on your next trade until you click it on again — you never need to remember to turn it off.

On PRO it also works from Telegram, and the panel button and the Telegram keyboard stay in sync: arm or disarm from either one and both update, including the keyboard's green/red indicator.

> **A COUPLE OF THINGS WORTH KNOWING**
>
> With no position open on the chart's symbol, the button declines to arm and says so — there is nothing to protect yet. And a genuine MT5 restart always resets it back to OFF, unlike Auto BE's on/off setting, which is remembered — check it after reopening MT5 if you rely on it.

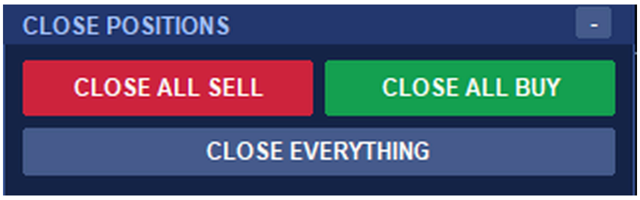
> **REPLACES SET BE AT PRICE**
>
> The old manual break-even-at-a-typed-price button and Telegram command are retired. **SET SL TO ALL** covers the same ground — one price applied to every position.

> **THIS TARGETS ZERO P/L. IT DOES NOT GUARANTEE IT.**
>
> The moment your combined P/L crosses back to flat, Trade Dash sends the close — but the market order still takes a moment to fill, and broker order-confirmation latency, network delay and ordinary slippage can all move price in that window. Expect a small profit or a small loss around zero, not an exact zero every time.

Close positions, and TP / SL to all

BUTTON	WHAT IT DOES
CLOSE ALL SELL	Closes every managed sell, at market. Buys untouched.
CLOSE ALL BUY	Closes every managed buy. Sells untouched.
CLOSE EVERYTHING	Both sides. Flat.

All three close at market, so in a fast market you may be filled worse than the price you saw. Pending orders are not touched. If your broker rejects a close, the Status line says how many succeeded and how many failed — it never fails silently.



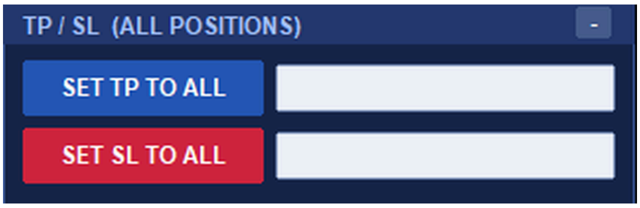
DON'T CONFUSE THESE WITH MT5'S OWN BUY/SELL BUTTONS

CLOSE ALL SELL and CLOSE ALL BUY sit near MT5’s own native one-click SELL/BUY buttons and use the same red/green convention. Look at the label, not just the colour, before clicking near the top of the chart — these are two different sets of buttons doing opposite things.

TP / SL to all

Type one price and apply it to every managed position at once. Positions where the price is on the wrong side of the market, or inside your broker’s minimum distance, are **skipped and reported** rather than silently failing. Setting a stop-loss never wipes an existing take-profit, and the reverse.

Typical uses: one target for a basket you scaled into; a hard floor under everything before news; giving stops to positions you opened by hand and never protected.



CHECK WHICH BOX YOU ARE TYPING INTO

The two boxes look the same. A stop price typed into the TP box is on the wrong side, so it is refused and reported — nothing bad happens. But a *valid* price in the wrong box will be accepted. Read the button before you click it.

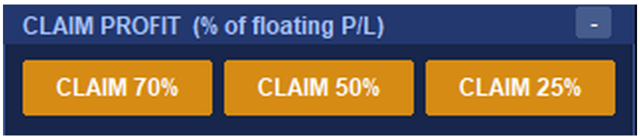
SET SL TO ALL CAN LOCK IN PROFIT ON A SCALED-IN BASKET

SET BE NOW moves each stop to *that position's own* entry — useful, but on a basket you built up in layers it only ever protects you back to flat, never to an actual profit. SET SL TO ALL applies one price to every position with no such per-entry check, so typing a price *above* all of your buy entries (or *below* all your sell entries) puts every stop on the profitable side of the market at once.

Worked example: three XAUUSD buys layered in at 2,360 / 2,365 / 2,370. Price runs to 2,380 — you are up, but a sharp reversal could give it all back. Type `2,372` into SET SL TO ALL: every position's stop lands above all three entries, so even the worst case now closes the whole basket in profit, not just at breakeven.

Claiming profit

Bank part of your floating profit without closing the trade. MT5 has no equivalent of this.



CLAIM 70% means: take 70% of the floating profit currently on the table, and close just enough to realise it. The rest keeps running.

The panel adds up the floating profit across everything it manages, takes your percentage, then closes your **weakest** positions first — any position currently sitting at a loss, then your least-profitable winners — until it has realised that amount. Every position before the last one is closed in full; only the position where the target is actually crossed is closed partially, subject to your broker's minimum lot step. Swap is included, so what you claim is what lands in your balance. Your best-performing position is the one most likely to be left running.

> **IT CAN CLOSE A LOSING POSITION ALONG THE WAY**
>
> The percentage is of your **floating profit**, not your position size and not your account. **Worked example:** three XAUUSD buys totalling $420 floating — one sitting at a $30 loss, two in profit. Tap **CLAIM 50%** (a $210 target) and the panel closes the losing position **in full** first, since it is the weakest, then works up to the next-weakest winner, closing it in full or in part until $210 is realised. Your strongest position is the one left open. The claim buttons only refuse and do nothing when the **total** across every managed position is at a net loss — a mixed basket that is net positive can still see an individual loser closed in full on the way to the target.

Setting your own claim percentages

70 / 50 / 25 are only defaults. Most people change them within a week. Twenty seconds.

1. Right-click the chart → **Expert Advisors** → **Properties** (or `F7`).
2. **Inputs** tab → the **=== CLAIM PROFIT ===** group. Double-click each value, type your number, click **OK**.

SETTING	DEFAULT	WHAT IT CONTROLS
Claim button 1 (%)	70.0	Left-hand claim button
Claim button 2 (%)	50.0	Middle claim button
Claim button 3 (%)	25.0	Right-hand claim button
Include swap in position P/L	On	Counts swap, so the amount claimed matches what reaches your balance

Common setups: scalping 25 / 50 / 75 · runner 50 / 75 / 90 · news 30 / 60 / 100 (100 closes everything in one tap).

> **THIS CHANGE IS PER CHART**
>
> Inputs belong to the EA on *this* chart. To reuse them, click **Save** on the Inputs tab to write a new `.set`, and load that on your other charts. Never edit the **Customer license key** row by hand — it is the most common way people break a working installation.

Which positions the panel manages

Fixed by your build as of v4.2 — not a setting you can change.

Every panel manages **only positions on the symbol of the chart it is attached to**. A panel on XAUUSD never touches your EURUSD trades, and they are not counted in its Floating P/L either. This is compiled into the customer build rather than left as an Inputs-tab option, precisely so nobody manages more than they mean to by accident. If your business needs a build that manages a whole account or filters by magic number, that is a different compile — contact your seller.

Moving, collapsing and hiding

TO DO THIS	DO THIS
Move it	Drag the title bar. Position is remembered per chart.
Hide it completely	Press `H`. Press again to return.
Resize it	Inputs → **=== PANEL SIZE ===** → **UI Scale** and **Font Scale**, independent of each other. See the note below.
Remove it	Right-click chart → Expert Advisors → Remove.

> **TWO SLIDERS, NOT ONE**
>
> **UI Scale** resizes the panel — buttons, boxes, spacing (0.75–2.00, default 1.00). **Font Scale** resizes only the text (0.50–2.00, default 1.00) — separate because some setups render text larger than the geometry suggests, a Retina Mac being the common case (see the macOS edition). Raise UI Scale first if the panel looks cramped; nudge Font Scale only if text still overflows. Both apply immediately — no recompile.

CHAPTER 6

PRO — Telegram remote control

Your own private bot, your own token, on your own phone. Twenty minutes.

YOUR PHONE		INTERNET		CHART 2		CHART 1
Telegram You tap a button in a chat with your own private bot.	›	**Telegram servers** Hold the message until your computer asks for it.	›	**Bridge EA** Verifies it was you and passes it on. **Cannot trade.**	›	**Panel EA** Does the work and reports back.

MT5 gives each chart a single thread. If the panel had to wait on the internet itself, every slow network call would freeze your buttons at the moment you needed them. Telegram gets its own chart, so the panel never blocks. The bridge contains no order-placing code at all — it relays, and that is all it can do.

> **YOUR BOT IS YOURS ALONE**
> You create the bot. You hold the token. It never passes through us, your IB, or anyone else, and it lives only in a file on your own computer. The bridge accepts commands from **one** Telegram account — yours — and silently ignores everyone else.

Have these ready

✓	YOU NEED
1	The **Telegram app**, phone or computer. The computer version makes copying the token easier.
2	Your `.set` file, and Notepad to open it.
3	The **Trade Dash logo** image, if you want it as your bot's picture. Ask your seller for `TradeDash.png`.
4	A working panel showing **Ready.** — Chapters 2 to 5.
5	`https://api.telegram.org` in the WebRequest list. If you added it in Chapter 2 you are done; if not, add it now the same way.

Create your bot

1. In Telegram, search `@BotFather`. Open the result with the **blue tick** — there are impostors.
2. Tap **Start**, then send `/newbot`.
3. It asks for a **name** — the display name at the top of the chat. Use **Trade Dash** plus something of your own: `Trade Dash – John`.
4. It asks for a **username** — the unique @handle, which must end in `bot`: `TradeDash_John_bot`. If it is taken, add initials or numbers.
5. BotFather replies with your **token** — a long string with a colon in it. **Copy it somewhere safe.**

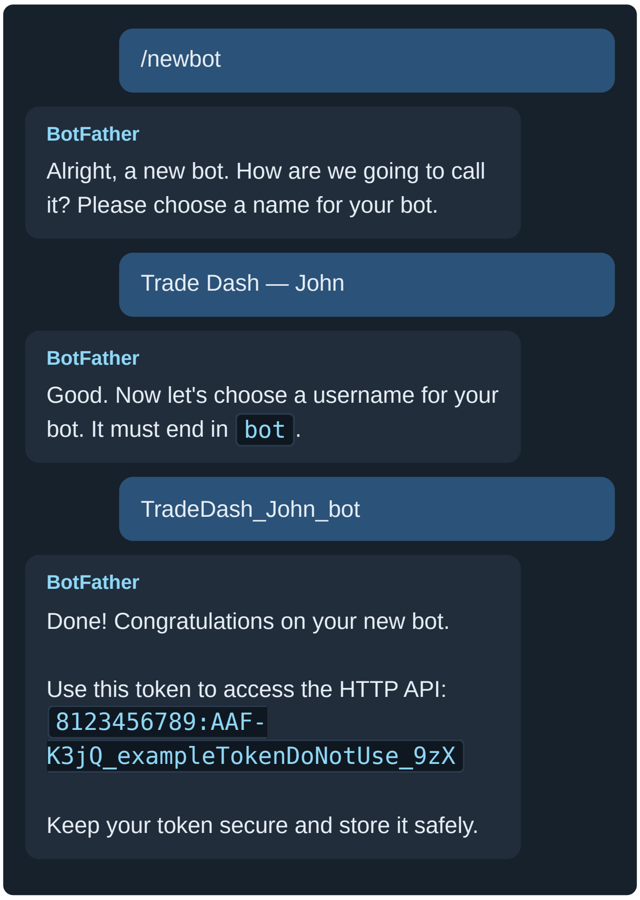


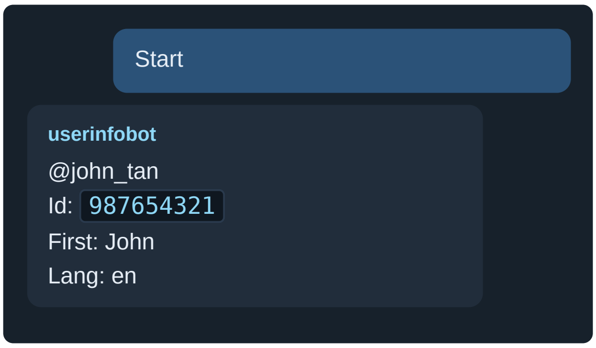
Figure 6.1 The whole conversation. The token shown is an example.

> **THE TOKEN IS A PASSWORD**
> Anyone holding it can take over your bot's messages. Never paste it into a group, a forum, a screenshot or a support chat — nobody legitimate will ever ask for it. If it leaks, send BotFather `/revoke` and it issues a new one.

Give it the logo, and get your user ID

Picture (optional, 30 seconds): save the logo to your phone, send `/setuserpic` to BotFather, choose your bot, send the image.

1. Search `@userinfobot` and open it.
2. Tap **Start**. It replies immediately.
3. The line you need is **Id:** — a nine or ten digit number, not your @handle. Copy it.



> **NOW START YOUR OWN BOT**
> Go back to search, open the bot *you* created, and tap **Start**. Telegram will not let a bot message someone who has never started it — skip this and the bridge runs perfectly while you receive nothing.

Put both values in your .set file

1. Right-click your `.set` file → **Open with** → **Notepad**.
2. Scroll to the bottom. Two lines end in `=` with nothing after them.
3. Paste your token straight after `InpTelegramToken=`.
4. Paste your ID number after `InpTelegramChatID=`.
5. **File** → **Save**. Keep the `.set` extension — do not let Notepad make it `.set.txt`.

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; Trade Dash - input preset
; customer : John Tan (PRO)
InpLicenseKey=TD-9F3A1C7E52B0D846

; FILL IN THE TWO LINES BELOW, then save
this file.
; Type the value straight after the '=' -
no spaces, no quotes.

; Bot token from @BotFather
InpTelegramToken=8123456789:AAF-
K3jQ_exampleToken_9zX

; Your numeric chat ID from @userinfobot
InpTelegramChatID=987654321
```

RULE	RIGHT	WRONG
No space after =	`InpTelegramChatID=987654321`	`InpTelegramChatID= 987654321`
No quotes	`InpTelegramToken=8123:AAF-x`	`InpTelegramToken="8123:AAF-x"`
Whole token	Colon and everything after it	Only the digits before the colon
ID is a number	`987654321`	`@john_tan`

Load it into both EAs

1. **Panel:** right-click its chart → **Expert Advisors** → **Properties** → **Inputs** → **Load** → your saved file → **OK**.
2. **Bridge:** open **any second chart** in the same MT5 window — a quiet pair on D1 is ideal. Drag the bridge EA onto it.
3. **Common** tab: tick **Allow Algo Trading**. **Inputs** tab: **Load** the **same** `.set` file.
4. Check all three rows are filled — licence key, bot token, chat ID — then **OK**. The same blue robot icon appears on this chart too.

TWO DIFFERENT CHARTS, ONE TERMINAL

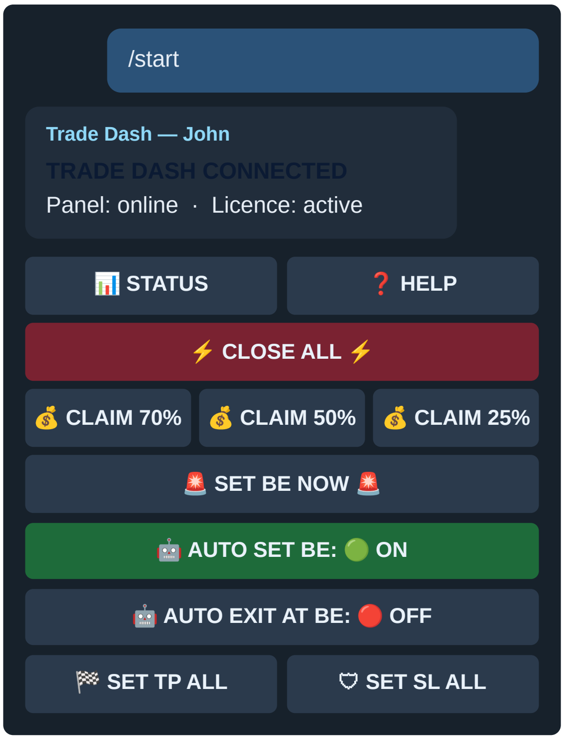
Panel and bridge must be on **separate charts** — that is the whole point of the split — but in the **same MT5 window**, because that is how they talk. Two copies of MT5, or both EAs on one chart, will not work. Never run two bridges: they fight over the same messages and commands go missing.

The panel ignores the two Telegram lines — it has no Telegram settings of its own. Loading one file into both EAs is by design: MT5 applies only the settings an EA recognises and leaves the rest alone.

First contact, and the commands

Open the chat with **your own bot** and send `/start`. Within a few seconds it replies with a status message, and a keyboard of buttons appears at the bottom of the chat.

> **NOTHING CAME BACK?**
>
> In order: (1) did you tap **Start** on your own bot? (2) is `https://api.telegram.org` in the WebRequest list, ticked? (3) does the bridge chart show the blue robot icon next to its name? (4) is the chat ID the **number**, not your @handle? (5) open `Ctrl`+`T` → **Experts** and read what the bridge says.



BUTTON / TYPE	WHAT IT DOES
STATUS	Open positions, floating P/L, panel and licence state
HELP	The full command list, from the bridge itself
CLOSE ALL	Closes every managed position
CLOSE ALL BUY / SELL	One side only — type it
CLAIM 70 / 50 / 25%	The same three buttons as the panel. Type `CLAIM 65` for any other percentage
SET BE NOW	Break even on everything managed
AUTO SET BE	Toggles auto break-even. The button shows the current state
AUTO EXIT AT BE	Toggles auto-exit at breakeven — closes everything on the symbol the moment price reaches breakeven, works whether you are up or down, and switches itself back off once it fires
SET TP ALL / SET SL ALL	Asks for a price, then applies it to everything
TP 4402.50 / SL 4380.00	One-shot version, no prompt
AUTOBE 20 / BEOFFSET 2	Sets the arm distance, and the BE offset, in pips
PIPS	What one pip is worth on this symbol right now
/menu	Brings the button keyboard back

> **COMMANDS EXPIRE AFTER 10 SECONDS**
>
> A trading command sent while the bridge was offline is **discarded**, not queued. If your internet drops as you tap CLOSE ALL, the command dies rather than firing three minutes later at a price you never agreed to. The bridge also messages you when it loses contact with the panel and when it returns.

Telegram security rules

This bot can close your trades. Treat it like your banking app.

1. Never share the token

Not in a group, not in a screenshot, not with support. Anyone who asks is attacking you.

2. Never add the bot to a group

It is built for a private one-to-one chat. A group exposes it to everyone in it, and anyone they invite later.

3. Lock your phone

Someone holding your unlocked phone can close your positions in two taps. A PIN on Telegram itself is better still.

4. One bot, one person

Do not hand your chat ID slot to someone else so they can trade your account. The bridge accepts exactly one ID for this reason.

5. Revoke if in doubt

BotFather `/revoke`, pick your bot, new token into the `.set`, reload the bridge. Two minutes; the old token dies instantly.

6. Beware fake bots

Search results are full of copies. Trust only the chat you created and the real @BotFather with the blue tick.

IF YOU THINK YOUR TOKEN HAS LEAKED

Revoke first, ask questions afterwards. An attacker with your token cannot place trades — the bridge only obeys your chat ID — but they can read everything your bot sends you, block your commands from arriving, and send convincing fake messages that appear to come from Trade Dash. Revoking ends all three instantly.

WHAT TRADE DASH NEVER ASKS FOR

Your MT5 password. Your broker login. Your bot token. Your `.set` file. If any message, person or website asks for these while claiming to be Trade Dash, your IB or your broker, it is a scam. The only thing your seller ever needs is your name.

CHAPTER 7

Keeping it running, and fixing it

An Expert Advisor is not a service. It lives inside MT5 and stops when MT5 does.

What stops Trade Dash

- Closing MetaTrader 5
- Shutting the laptop lid, or sleep
- A Windows update restarting overnight
- Losing internet for over 15 minutes
- Closing the chart the EA is on
- Turning the Algo Trading button off

While stopped, Auto BE does not arm and Telegram commands go nowhere. On PRO you get a message when the bridge loses touch with the panel — your phone usually tells you before your account does.

What survives a restart

- Your licence key — stored on the chart
- Auto BE on/off, arm distance, BE offset
- Panel position and collapsed sections
- Your claim percentages and every other input

Reopen MT5 and the charts come back with the EAs attached and configured. You do not reinstall and you do not reload the `.set`. Anything in flight is discarded, never replayed.

SAVE YOUR LAYOUT AS A PROFILE

Once the panel chart and the bridge chart are how you want them, use **File** → **Profiles** → **Save As**. Restoring that profile rebuilds both charts with both EAs attached, in one click.

Running it 24 hours a day

Your own computer Free

Power plan set to never sleep, automatic restarts disabled, plugged in and online. Fine for hours you are awake for; fragile for months — a 3am Windows update silently ends your session.

A Forex VPS From a few $ / month

An always-on computer in a data centre. Install MT5 and Trade Dash on it exactly as in this guide. **Ask your broker first** — many give one free above a deposit or volume threshold.

ONE LICENCE, ONE INSTALLATION — AND UPDATE BOTH FILES TOGETHER

Your licence ties itself to the machine it first activates on. Moving to a VPS, do not run both at once: activate on the VPS and stop using the old machine, or ask your seller to reset the device first. To update, copy the new `.ex5` over the old one and restart MT5 — inputs and licence are untouched. **PRO: replace both files in the same sitting**, they are a matched pair.

Troubleshooting

Every symptom we actually see. Most are a thirty-second fix.

Panel and licence

SYMPTOM	CAUSE AND FIX
EA not in the Navigator	The `.ex5` is not in `MQL5\Experts`. Redo Chapter 3, then Refresh or restart MT5.
No panel on the chart	Attached but not allowed to run. Check the robot icon next to the EA name, the toolbar button and the Common tab box.
Grey or crossed-out icon	Same three checks — MT5 is blocking the EA, not Trade Dash failing.
Stuck on *Verifying license*	Address missing, misspelled, trailing slash, or the tick box is off. Chapter 2.
LICENSE INACTIVE	The server refused: expired, disabled, or already in use elsewhere. Contact your seller.
Worked before, now inactive	The internet dropped for over 15 minutes. Reconnect; it recovers within five minutes.
Panel cramped or text overflowing	Inputs → PANEL SIZE → UI/Font Scale — or you pressed `H`; press it again.
Panel behind the chart candles	Fixed automatically since v4.0.

Buttons and orders

SYMPTOM	CAUSE AND FIX
Nothing happens on click	The double-click guard swallowed it, or there is nothing to act on. Read the Status line.
Some positions skipped	Intended. A level inside the broker's minimum distance or on the wrong side is refused and reported.
Panel shows fewer positions than the Toolbox	It manages the chart symbol only. Chapter 5.
Claim says no profit	Managed positions are at a net loss. It never closes a loser to claim it.
Close failed	Market closed, no free margin, or price moved past the allowed slippage.

Telegram

SYMPTOM	CAUSE AND FIX
Bot never replies to /start	In order: you never tapped Start on your own bot; `https://api.telegram.org` is missing from the WebRequest list; the bridge chart shows no robot icon; the token is incomplete.
Replies, but commands do nothing	Both EAs must be in the **same** terminal on **different** charts.
Not authorised	The chat ID does not match. Use the **Id** number from @userinfobot, with no space after the `=`.
Command too old	By design — arrived over 10s late, discarded rather than fired at a stale price. Send it again.
Messages you did not ask for	Revoke the token with BotFather `/revoke` immediately, put the new one in your `.set`, reload the bridge.

HOW TO ASK FOR HELP

`Ctrl`+`T` → **Experts** tab → screenshot the lines from when it happened, and send that with your tier. That log names the real problem far more often than the Status line. **Never send your bot token, `.set` file, MT5 password or broker login** — support never needs them.

Quick reference

Print this page. Everything you need after installation is on it.

THE TWO WEB ADDRESSES

`https://dseoeifrktdwfzwzrfpx.supabase.co`

`https://api.telegram.org` PRO only

Tools → Options → Expert Advisors → Allow WebRequest for listed URL

THREE SWITCHES THAT MUST BE ON

Toolbar **Algo Trading** — green

EA **Common** tab — Allow Algo Trading

Allow WebRequest tick box

WHERE THINGS LIVE

EA file → `MQL5\Experts`

Preset → `MQL5\Presets`

File → Open Data Folder

KEYBOARD

`Ctrl`+`O` Options

`Ctrl`+`N` Navigator

`Ctrl`+`T` Toolbox / Experts log

`F7` EA properties

`H` Hide / show the panel

TELEGRAM COMMANDS

STATUS · **HELP**

CLOSE ALL · CLOSE ALL BUY / SELL

CLAIM 70 / 50 / 25% · CLAIM 65

SET BE NOW · AUTO SET BE

AUTO EXIT AT BE

SET TP ALL · SET SL ALL

`TP 4402.50` · `SL 4380.00`

`AUTOBE 20` · `BEOFFSET 2`

`PIPS` · `/menu`

SECURITY — NON-NEGOTIABLE

Never share your bot token

Never add the bot to a group

Leaked? BotFather → `/revoke`

Nobody will ever ask for your token, password or .set file

IF SOMETHING BREAKS

`Ctrl`+`T` → **Experts** tab

Read the last few lines — the answer is nearly always there

Screenshot it when asking for help

REMEMBER

The panel manages the **chart symbol only** — fixed by the build

Price to breakeven shows live next to Floating P/L

No confirmation dialog — buttons act immediately

MT5 must stay open for anything to work

TRADE DASH

ONE TAP CONTROL ANYWHERE

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