TradinSolutions EXECUTION LAYER

PLATFORM GUIDE

Your first trade copier instance

Build a Provider-to-Follower instance in the Cockpit, test it on demo accounts, and read what the Cockpit tells you about every copy.

WORKS ON MT4 MT5 cTrader Tradovate NinjaTrader

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What you'll have at the end

A running copier instance in the Cockpit: one Provider account whose trades are mirrored onto one or more Follower accounts, tested end to end on demo accounts.

When the instance is running:

- A fill on the Provider becomes an order on every Follower, sized for that Follower.
- Closes and modifications on the Provider are mirrored after that.
- Each Follower's rules are checked before its order goes out. A trade a rule stops is held or skipped, with the reason written into the Cockpit, and the other Followers carry on.
- The relay time of every copy is recorded next to it in the Cockpit.
- Copying runs on TradinSolutions' hosted relay. There is no VPS to rent and no terminal that has to stay open on your side.

What the copier does not do:

- It does not decide what to trade. It carries decisions you have already made on the Provider.
- It does not make an account compliant with any firm's rules. Limits are yours to set, and your firm's terms are yours to check.

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How the copier is structured

Every copier set-up in the Cockpit is an **instance** built from two roles.

ROLE	WHAT IT IS	IN THE WIZARD
Provider	The account whose trades you want mirrored: an account you already trade on, such as your own broker login or a funded account.	Step 01 **Source**
Follower	An account that copies everything the Provider does. One Provider can fan out to several Followers at once.	Step 02 **Destinations**

Four things to know about roles:

- **Roles belong to the instance, not the account.** Any connected account can be a Provider in one instance and a Follower in another. That makes chains possible: a personal account drives two funded accounts, and one of those drives a futures account in its own instance.
- **On MT4 and MT5, an account may follow several Providers,** and can be a Provider and a Follower at once.
- **On cTrader and futures, an account follows one Provider at a time.** A second Provider is refused with "one at a time on this platform".
- **Platforms can mix.** An MT5 Provider copying to an MT4 Follower and a cTrader Follower in the same instance is the ordinary case. A pair that crosses CFD and futures needs a Contracts rule (Episode 04), or the trade is skipped.

The same structure powers the signal copier: if the source is a TradingView, Telegram or Discord channel instead of an account, the flow is the same. Episodes 05 and 06 cover that.

> **Note:** The wizard labels the steps **Source** and **Destinations**. In this guide, the source account is the Provider and each destination account is a Follower.

What happens to each copied trade

1. **Source.** A fill on your Provider account.
2. **Translate.** The symbol is matched to each Follower broker's name for it. Prefix and suffix differences are matched automatically (EURUSD becomes EURUSD.m). A different name, such as GOLD on one broker and XAUUSD on another, needs a line in Settings → Symbols → **Name map** (`PROVIDER=FOLLOWER`, one per line, for example `GOLD=XAUUSD`). CFD symbols are mapped to futures contracts with a Contracts rule. The size is worked out per Follower.
3. **Rules.** Each Follower's filters and limits are checked before its order is sent.
4. **Fan-out.** Every Follower that passed gets its order, and the relay time is recorded against each copy.

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Before you start

YOUR PLAN

- **Every copier platform starts on Starter:** MT4, MT5, cTrader, Tradovate and NinjaTrader. Free connects none.
- How many Followers you can add depends on your plan's allowances for each platform. Episode 02 and Episode 11 show the plan table.

WHAT TO HAVE READY

- **At least two connected accounts,** ideally both demo accounts: one to act as Provider and one as Follower. Episode 02 shows how to connect them.
- **The trade password** for every MT4 and MT5 account, Provider or Follower. Never the read-only one.
- **A plan for sizing.** Risk-based sizing is a common starting point for funded accounts. Futures destinations default to **Same as the provider**. Episode 04 covers every sizing mode and limit.

DEMO FIRST

Every supported platform offers a demo account. A demo Follower exercises the whole path at no risk: authorisation, symbol mapping, sizing, the first copied trade and the skip log. Run it through a volatile session, not only a quiet morning, because that is when configuration mistakes show up.

> **Important:** If a Follower is a funded account, read your firm's current terms before you connect it, and ask the firm in writing when a clause is unclear.

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Step-by-step: create the instance

1. Open the **Cockpit** and click **+ New instance**. A three-step wizard opens.
2. **Step 01 · Source.** Pick the Provider from your connected accounts. The platforms you can pick depend on your plan.
3. Click **Choose destinations** →.
4. **Step 02 · Destinations. SELECT** each Follower from your connected accounts. To use an account you have not connected yet, click **+ Connect a new account as a destination**.
5. Click **Configure** →.
6. **Step 03 · Settings.** Set lot sizing, filters and risk protection. These settings apply to every Follower you selected, as one shared configuration. You can change each Follower separately afterwards with **TUNE**.
7. Review the set-up and click **Create and activate**.

The app confirms **Instance created and armed.** The instance is live straight away. There is no separate "save, then enable" step.

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Step-by-step: your first test trade on demo

Once the instance is active, place a test trade on the demo Provider and watch it move.

1. Open the Provider's platform (for example MT5 on your demo account) and place a small market order with a stop loss.
2. In the Cockpit, open the instance. The Provider is shown with its Followers mapped out beside it.
3. Watch the activity feed. A copy event should appear for each Follower.
4. Open the Follower's platform and confirm the position is there, with a size that matches your sizing setting.
5. Read the relay time shown next to the copied trade in the Cockpit.
6. Move the stop on the Provider. Confirm the Follower's stop follows.
7. Close part of the Provider's position. The partial close is mirrored proportionally where the platform allows it.
8. Close the rest on the Provider. The Follower's copy closes too.
9. Now open another test trade and close the Follower's copy by hand. By default the copy stays closed; turn on **Reopen if closed in error** if you want it reopened instead.
10. If a copy did not appear, look for it in the log of held and skipped trades. Every held or skipped trade shows its reason.

> **Note:** A useful test is to pair Provider and Follower fills over at least 50 demo trades and look at the median and the worst case. Slippage matters more than milliseconds, and much of the time in a copied trade sits with the brokers: the Provider's broker reporting the fill, and the Follower's broker filling the copy.

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Managing a live instance

From the instance view in the Cockpit you can:

- **Pause a Follower without deleting it.** Click **TUNE** on the destination, then **PAUSE THIS DESTINATION**, and save with **Save and apply**. **RESUME THIS DESTINATION** starts it again.
- **Change one Follower's settings.** Open **TUNE** on the destination to adjust lot sizing, filters or risk protection, then click **Save and apply**.
- **Watch the activity feed** for real-time copy events on that instance.

The Cockpit does not fail silently. An instance that stops running is shown as not reporting, and the header shows **RELAY OFFLINE / DEGRADED** when the relay itself has a problem.

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What each setting means

The three wizard steps

STEP	WHAT YOU CHOOSE	NOTES
01 Source	The Provider account (or a signal channel for the signal copier)	Platforms available depend on plan. **Choose destinations** → moves on.
02 Destinations	One or more Follower accounts	**SELECT** connected accounts, or **+ Connect a new account as a destination**. On cTrader and futures, an account that already follows a Provider is refused: "one at a time on this platform". **Configure** → moves on.
03 Settings	Lot sizing, filters and risk protection	Applied to every Follower selected in this wizard; editable per Follower later in **TUNE**. **Create and activate** finishes.

Lot sizing at a glance

MODE	HOW IT SIZES A COPY
Risk % of balance / Risk % of equity	A percentage of the Follower's balance or equity at risk, measured over the **Provider's** open-to-stop distance (not the Follower's fill)
Fixed lot	The same lot size on every copy, whatever the Provider traded
Same as the provider	The Provider's own size. The default for futures destinations.
Proportional multiplier	Scales with the Provider's position relative to account size

The other modes are **Multiplier**, **Lot per $1,000** and fee-adjusted risk sizing (**Commission per lot** / **Overnight fee per lot**). Episode 04 explains every mode, symbol mapping and every per-Follower limit.

Two rules about the broker minimum:

- **Round down / skip below minimum** applies to the risk modes only. Every other mode is raised to the broker's minimum size, and futures never go below 1 contract.
- **A Provider trade with no stop**, copied with a risk mode, opens at the broker minimum. Turn on **Skip trades with no stop** if you would rather skip those trades.

How manual changes are handled

YOU DO THIS	THE COPIER DOES THIS
Close a trade on the Provider	Closes the copies
Partially close on the Provider	Mirrors the partial close proportionally where the platform allows; netting accounts reduce the net position

YOU DO THIS	THE COPIER DOES THIS
Close one Follower's copy by hand	Leaves it closed by default. **Reopen if closed in error** reverses that.
Modify the stop or target on the Provider	Mirrors the modification

If TradinSolutions is unavailable

Open positions stay open at your broker with their own stops and targets. Nothing is closed because the service is down. New copying pauses, and each Provider trade missed in that time is logged as a skip with its reason, never replayed later. This is why every Follower should carry its own protective stop.

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Worked example

Say you trade a personal MT5 account and want the same trades on an MT4 account and a cTrader account. You are on Starter: two MT4/MT5 accounts and one cTrader login fit inside its allowance.

1. **Connect three demos first:** an MT5 demo (the future Provider), an MT4 demo and a cTrader demo (the future Followers). Label them clearly.
2. **Create the instance.** Cockpit → **+ New instance**.
3. **Source:** pick "MT5 demo", then **Choose destinations** →.
4. **Destinations: SELECT** "MT4 demo" and "cTrader demo", then **Configure** →. Mixing platforms in one instance is normal.
5. **Settings:** choose **Risk % of balance** and set a small risk percentage for testing. If one broker calls gold GOLD and the other XAUUSD, add `GOLD=XAUUSD` under Symbols → **Name map**. Add a daily loss limit (Episode 04).
6. **Create and activate.** The app shows **Instance created and armed.**
7. **Test.** Place a small trade with a stop on the MT5 demo. Check both Followers opened a position, check their sizes, and read the relay time for each copy.
8. **Break something on purpose.** Trade a symbol the cTrader demo does not list. The MT4 copy goes out; the cTrader copy appears in the log with the reason.
9. **Run it for several sessions,** including a busy one. When the sizes and behaviour are what you expect, repeat the set-up with your real accounts.

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Troubleshooting

AN ACCOUNT I WANT TO USE IS GREYED OUT IN THE WIZARD

Either you are on Free, which connects no accounts (every copier platform starts on Starter), or the account is a cTrader or futures account that already follows another Provider ("one at a time on this platform"). The wizard shows the reason next to the account.

THE PROVIDER TRADED BUT A FOLLOWER DID NOT COPY

Open the log of held and skipped trades. Typical reasons: a risk limit, a symbol with a different name and no Name map line, a symbol that broker does not list, an unmapped futures contract, a session window or filter, or a dropped connection. Some held trades are placed later while the Provider is still in the trade (a slippage hold, a session or weekday gate, or **Wait before opening**); others are skipped for good. The log shows which.

THE FOLLOWER'S SIZE IS NOT WHAT I EXPECTED

Check the sizing mode on that Follower in **TUNE**. With a risk mode, size comes from the Follower's own balance or equity, your risk percentage, and the **Provider's** open-to-stop distance. Risk modes round down and skip anything below the broker's minimum; the other modes are raised to the minimum. A Provider trade with no stop opens at the broker minimum unless **Skip trades with no stop** is on.

THE INSTANCE IS NOT REPORTING

Check the status pill of the Provider and each Follower on the Accounts page. An account on **reconnect needed** or **error** has stopped fresh data: use **RECONNECT** on its row to repair it in place. Do not remove the account, because removing it deletes its synced journal history. Episode 13 walks through it.

I CLOSED A FOLLOWER'S TRADE AND IT DID NOT COME BACK

That is the default. A manual close on a Follower is treated as your decision. Turn on **Reopen if closed in error** if you want the copier to reopen it.

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FAQ

DO I NEED A VPS OR TO LEAVE MY COMPUTER ON?

No. The relay runs on TradinSolutions' hosted infrastructure, not in your terminal. Copying continues with your laptop closed.

HOW FAST IS A COPY?

The relay time of every copied trade, from seeing the Provider's fill to the Follower's order being accepted, is measured and shown next to that trade in the Cockpit. Read the number for your own accounts rather than an average.

CAN ONE ACCOUNT BE BOTH A PROVIDER AND A FOLLOWER?

On MT4 and MT5, yes: an account can be a Provider and a Follower at once, and can follow several Providers. On cTrader and futures, an account follows one Provider at a time.

CAN I COPY FROM MT5 TO CTRADER, OR CTRADER TO MT4?

Yes. The CFD platforms copy to each other in either direction, within your plan. Copying between CFD and futures accounts works too, but needs a Contracts rule, or the trade is skipped.

WILL A COPIER GET MY FUNDED ACCOUNT BANNED?

That depends entirely on your firm's terms. Read them before connecting a funded account. TradinSolutions has no features for hiding copied trades from the firm funding an account.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THIS AND THE AUTOPILOT COPIER EA?

Both copy trades between accounts. Autopilot is an Expert Advisor that runs inside your MetaTrader 5 terminal and needs the terminal open (usually on a VPS). The hosted copier runs on TradinSolutions' servers, covers all five platforms, takes TradingView, Telegram and Discord as sources, and shows the log of held and skipped trades in the Cockpit.

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