



Will it run on my broker?

BROKER COMPATIBILITY SCORECARD · VERSION 1.00

Novum EA runs at most MetaTrader 5 brokers, but not at all of them, and a few conditions matter far more than the rest. Work through this card against the broker you intend to use. Five minutes now is cheaper than finding out later.

PART ONE

Three things that must be true

These are not preferences. If any one of the three comes back no, Novum EA should not be run on that account at all.

1 The platform is MetaTrader 5

There is no MetaTrader 4 version and the two platforms are not interchangeable. Some brokers offer MetaTrader 5 on certain account types only, so check the account you will actually open.

Where to look: the platform the broker supplies with that account.

RING ONE

YES

NO

2 The account is hedging, not netting

MetaTrader 5 accounts come in two kinds. A hedging account keeps each position separate. A netting account merges them into a single net position. Novum EA needs them kept separate and cannot work as designed on a netting account.

Where to look: the broker states it on the account type. The self test on page 4 confirms it either way.

RING ONE

YES

NO

3 The minimum lot on your pair is 0.01

The system sizes positions from your balance, and it will never go below the smallest lot your broker allows. Where that minimum is 0.10 rather than 0.01, every position is ten times the intended size and the balances this system is built for will not carry it.

Where to look: right click the symbol in Market Watch, choose Specification, read Minimum volume.

RING ONE

YES

NO

Three times yes. Now score the rest overleaf.

Cent accounts: Novum EA will run on one, but it has not been validated on a cent account and was not engineered with them in mind. It is not recommended.

PART TWO

Score the rest, out of ten

Five checks, two points each. None of them is fatal on its own. Together they tell you how much work this broker is going to make for you.

RING ONE PER CHECK

Spread on your pair, in your hours

Watch the spread on your own chart during the hours you intend to trade, not the headline figure on the website. The supplied limit is 1.5 pips, which suits a raw spread account.

- 2 Typically under 1.0 pip
- 1 Typically 1.0 to 1.5 pips
- 0 Typically above 1.5 pips, or widening sharply and often



Minimum distance for stops

Some brokers refuse a stop-loss or take-profit placed too close to the current price. Novum EA respects whatever figure the broker sets, but its levels are measured in single pips, so a wide minimum pushes them out of shape. Market Watch, Specification, Stops level.

- 2 Zero, or below 10 points
- 1 10 to 30 points
- 0 Above 30 points



How orders are executed

Market execution fills at the price available. Instant execution can come back with a requote, and a requote is a trade that did not happen.

- 2 Market execution, no dealing desk
- 1 Market execution, occasional requotes or regular slippage
- 0 Instant execution with frequent requotes



Real tick history for testing

The Strategy Tester is only worth running on real tick data, and brokers keep that data back only so far. Run a short test and read the Journal tab to see how far yours goes.

- 2 Two years or more
- 1 Six months to two years
- 0 Under six months, or none held



Hosting that genuinely stays on

The system has to be running to manage what it has open. A VPS sitting close to the trade servers is the simplest arrangement, whether the broker provides it or you rent your own.

- 2 A VPS close to the broker servers
- 1 A machine at home that truly stays on, with a solid connection
- 0 A laptop that sleeps, or an unreliable connection



ADD UP YOUR FIVE

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PART TWO, CONTINUED

What the total means

9 - 10	An excellent fit	Run the supplied settings on a demo account here and go on from there.
6 - 8	Workable	Set the spread limit to your own conditions and test for longer before you fund anything.
3 - 5	A poor fit	It will run, but you will be working against the broker rather than with it. Compare one or two others first.
0 - 2	Look elsewhere	The cost of trading here will outweigh anything the system can do for you.

PART THREE

What the system sets for itself

A good deal of what differs from broker to broker needs no attention at all. Novum EA reads these from your platform when it starts and works to whatever it finds there.

Decimal places	Whether your broker quotes a pair to two, three, four or five decimal places, the system works out the size of a pip for itself.
Lot step and limits	Position sizes are rounded to your broker's lot step and held inside its minimum and maximum.
Order fill policy	Fill or kill, immediate or cancel, or return: the system detects which of the three your broker accepts and uses it.
Minimum stop distance	Every stop-loss and take-profit is kept a legal distance from the market, to whatever figure your broker enforces.
Broker clock	The broker's GMT offset is detected automatically, so the session window holds to the same hours across brokers.
Account currency	Balance, equity and profit on the panel are shown in the currency of your account, whichever that is.
Symbol availability	If the broker has that pair closed or disabled for your account, the system refuses to start and says so in the Experts tab rather than trying anyway.

Worth checking once: the broker clock

Brokers do not all run their servers on the same clock, but Novum EA detects the offset by itself and holds the session window to the same hours whichever broker you use, so settings carry across without the window drifting. Detection covers the offsets brokers normally run on and falls back to GMT plus two outside that range, with a manual override if needed. Check the offset on the panel against your broker once before relying on it.

PART FOUR

The one line that answers most of this

When Novum EA starts it writes one line to the Experts tab reporting what it found at your broker. Attach it to a chart on a demo account, open the Toolbox and read that line. Much of this card can be filled in from it.

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Novum EA v1.00 | EURUSD | LIVE | hedging:yes | fill:ORDER_FILLING_IOC | stopsLvl:0 pts | lev:1:500 | cur:USD
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hedging:yes	Gate two, answered. If it reads NO then the account is netting. Stop there.
stopsLvl:0 pts	The minimum stop distance, in points. This is the figure the second scored check asks for.
fill:...	Whichever fill policy your broker accepts. Nothing for you to do with it.
cur:USD	The currency every figure on the panel is shown in.

A note on the pair

Novum EA was built and tuned on EURUSD with the entry timeframe set to H1. That is where its distances were chosen and tested hardest. It runs on other majors and minors, but distances that suit EURUSD will not automatically suit a pair that moves differently. Test first and expect to adjust.

A note on your account currency

Every balance figure in the settings is in the currency of your account. A thousand means a thousand of whatever your account is denominated in, not a thousand dollars. Size accordingly.

IF YOU NEED TO ASK US SOMETHING

TELEGRAM, STRAIGHT THROUGH

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Message us on Telegram for anything at all, or through the MQL5 system after buying, quoting your purchase number. That is the order number in your MQL5 purchase history and it looks like 19931336. It also helps to say which broker, which pair, and what the panel was showing. A screenshot is worth a page of description, but crop the title bar off first, as it carries your account number.

Before you fund anything

- ☐ All three gates came back yes.
- ☐ The card scored six or better.
- ☐ Novum EA has run on a demo account at this broker, on this pair, for a few weeks rather than a few days.
- ☐ You have read the user guide, in particular the chapter on testing.