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The Trade Window 3.x is an updated version of the original Trade Window with a slightly different layout, and the option to use Order Strategies for trade management. Here is an overview:

The screenshot displays the ES Sim: ES U8 Trade Window 3.x interface. The window title is "ES Sim: ES U8" and the menu bar includes "Trading", "View", "Options", "Charts", and "Help". The main area shows a market depth table with columns for "Cncl", "Amend", "Buy", "Sell", "Amend", and "Cncl". The current bid is 1255.00 and the ask is 1255.25. Below the table are buttons for "BUY Market", "BUY Bid", "BUY Ask", "SELL Market", "SELL Ask", and "SELL Bid". The position is flat. There are also buttons for "Long Entry", "Short Entry", "Long Exit", "Short Exit", and a "Focus" button. At the bottom are buttons for "Cancel ALL", "Reverse", and "Flatten".

Cncl	Amend	Buy	-7.00	Sell	Amend	Cncl
			3	25		
			1257.00			
		4	1256.75	5		
	6		1256.50		6	
7			1256.25	930		7
			1256.00	915		
			1255.75	717		
			1255.50	521		
			1255.25	355		
		135	1255.00			
		459	1	8		
		457	1254.50			
		555	1254.25			
		534	1254.00			
			1253.75			
			1253.50			
			1253.25			

BUY Market Position Flat SELL Market
 BUY Bid 11 0.00 SELL Ask
 BUY Ask SimAccount1 12 SELL Bid

Buy Ask 13 Long Entry Short Entry Sell Ask 14
 Simple Bracket Long Exit Short Exit Simple Bracket

5 + - 16 5 P
 1 2 5 10 -62.50 Focus H

18 19 20
 Cancel ALL Reverse Flatten

1) The title bar at the top of the trade window lists the profile name, market, and expiration being displayed. Any charts spawned from the trade window will bear the same label.

2) The menu bar is available on each of the order entry interfaces. It provides access to software controls, options, and support resources.

3) At the top of the price column the Net Change value is displayed. It indicates the change in price from the open. If price is up, the value is positive and colored blue. If price is down, the value is negative and colored pink.

4) The blue column is where buy orders are placed. It is also where depth of market info is displayed. A left click is always dedicated to a limit order type. To place an order type other than a limit, right click at the desired price and a menu will appear displaying the available order types for the market and exchange being traded. Left click the desired order type to place the order.

5) The red column is where sell orders are placed. It is also where depth of market info is displayed. A left click is always dedicated to a limit order type. To place an order type other than a limit, right click at the desired price and a menu will appear displaying the available order types for the market and exchange being traded. Left click the desired order type to place the order.

6) This is the Amend column. Once an order has been placed in the blue buy or red sell column, it is shown in the amend column while it is working. Orders can be amended in price by left clicking and then dragging and dropping to a new price within the amend column. Right click on an order in the amend column and a menu will appear where you can select a new lot size to amend to.

7) This is the Cancel column. Any working order that appears in the amend column will have a corresponding 'X' next to it in the Cancel column. A left click on the 'X' will cancel the order and take it out of play.

8) The center row of the Trade window is the Price column. The bold price in black is the last traded price. The bold prices in blue and/or red represent the current bid and ask prices. It is possible to highlight a particular price level by left clicking

it. The cell will become darker to highlight it. Just left click that cell again to remove the highlight, or click on another price to change the highlight.

9) The Buy Market, Buy Bid, and Buy Ask buttons allow for placing common and specific order types where a particular price is not being specified. The Bid and Ask buttons place the limit order type.

10) The Sell Market, Sell Ask, and Sell Bid buttons allow for placing common and specific order types where a particular price is not being specified. The Bid and Ask buttons place the limit order type.

11) The position display lists the number of positions held along with the average price of positions held.

12) This is the account drop down menu. An account must be selected before an order can be placed.

13) These are the optional drop down menus to select and/or place Order Strategies designed to enter and/or manage Long Positions. The "Long Entry" is for strategies designed to add long positions. The "Long Exit" is for strategies designed to take off long positions.

14) These are the optional drop down menus to select and/or place Order Strategies designed to enter and/or manage Short Positions. The "Short Entry" is for strategies designed to add short positions. The "Short Exit" is for strategies designed to take off short positions.

15) This is where lot size is specified prior to placing an order. The size can be adjusted with the arrows. The numbers below (1,2,5,10) are the quickpad to select preferred lot sizes easily. The + and – buttons in the upper right are used to adjust the font size of the pricing in the Trade Window.

16) This is the profit and loss display window. By default, the window is set to display "Today's Net Profit (this contract). To change the style of profit and loss, right click the window and a drop down menu will appear with a number of options.

17) This is the display has three functions. In the upper left a number is displayed indicating the total roundturns within the current trading session. The "Focus" button allows the window to be changed from an auto centering price list to a static price list with a left mouse click. By default the window is set to auto center in terms of the current price. When the static setting is engaged the depth of market info will not be displayed. While in static mode, the arrow buttons to the right of the focus button are used to scroll the price list up or down. The P and H lights provide a visual representation of your connection to price and host feeds. The connection is active when lit green and inactive when lit red. During simulation trading only the price light turns green. During trading on a live account, both the price and host lights are green.

18) The 'Cancel All' button is a quick way to request cancellation of all working orders for the currently selected account and contract. It does not execute any order to change position. It only removes working orders.

19) The 'Reverse' button is used to execute a pair of market orders that will result in an equal but opposite position. When it is clicked, a request to cancel any working orders is sent. Once order cancels have been confirmed a pair of market orders are executed in rapid succession. The first is to get the account flat. The second is to re-enter the market in the opposite direction.

20) The 'Flatten' button is a quick way to cancel any working orders and offset any open positions. When it is clicked, a request to cancel any working orders is sent. Once order cancellation has been confirmed, a market order is placed to offset any open position.

