

# FastWay EA

## Set-up & Strategy Guide

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#### Introduction

Welcome to the FastWay EA complete guide. Inside, you'll find everything you need to work with the FastWay Expert Advisor — from foundational concepts to installation, configuration and trading methodology. For clarity, the material is organized into ten sequential sections:

- 1. <u>Expert Advisors:</u> A general overview of EAs—where to find them and how to verify their track records.
- 2. <u>FastWay EA</u>: An introduction to FastWay EA with links to verified MyFxBook and MQL5 results plus backtest data.
- 3. <u>Brokers</u>: What a Forex broker is, how to choose one for FastWay EA, my personal recommendations and the most popular choices among our users.
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If this guide leaves any question unanswered, email support@paveludo.com — we'll be happy to help.

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## **EXPERT ADVISORS**





## What is an Expert Advisor

Expert Advisors (EAs) are programs written in MetaQuotes Language (MQL) that automate trading in MetaTrader 4 and MetaTrader 5.

Using predefined algorithms, an EA scans the market for setups, then either alerts the trader or **opens positions automatically**; it also controls exits through stop-loss, trailing-stop and take-profit rules.

Because every decision rule is coded, an EA can combine numerous logical conditions and mathematical formulas, allowing complex strategies to run and to execute in milliseconds.

By strategy type, EAs are generally grouped into:

- Scalpers: seek repeated small gains, entering and exiting continuously as micro-opportunities appear.
- Hedge EAs: hold offsetting trades so profits in one leg can absorb losses in the other.
- News EAs: trade the volatility that erupts around major economic releases.
- <u>Breakout EAs</u>: enter the market when price breaks through predefined support or resistance.
- <u>Mean-reversion EAs</u>: open counter-trend trades when price overshoots its average, aiming to profit as it reverts back toward the mean."

## Where to find Expert Advisors

Hundreds of EAs can be found online, and the biggest marketplace is the MQL5 Market, built into MT4/MT5 and operated by MetaQuotes.

I first listed my EAs on the marketplace in 2020, and they quickly drew attention. My public MQL5 profile displays all of my EAs along with live-signal performance and user reviews.

Some developers also sell from their own websites for greater flexibility and custom features. Following that model, I am launching my own site in June 2025 to showcase and distribute FastWay EA.

The key advantage of my site is that it gives traders a full 21-day trial of FastWay EA—something the MQL5 marketplace cannot provide.

Right now, the website offers only the 21-day trial; the full version is available exclusively on the MQL5 marketplace—though direct purchase on my site may be added in the future.



My web site - paveludo.com



My MQL5 profile

## FASTWAY EA **EXPERT ADVISOR**





## FastWay EA description

FastWay EA is an advanced grid system which already has been working on real accounts for +6 years.

Instead of fitting the system to reflect historical data (like most EAs do) it was designed to exploit existing market inefficiencies.

Therefore it is not a simple "hit and miss" system which only survives by using grid. Instead it, uses real market mechanics to its advantage to make profit.

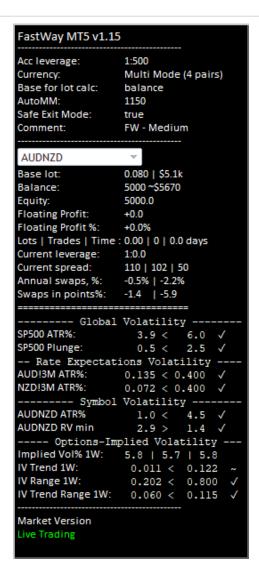
#### Features:

- Trading style: Mean-reversion (rollback)
- Supported currency pairs: AUDCAD, AUDNZD, NZDCAD, EURGBP
- Timeframe: M15 (15 minutes)
- Not sensitive to slippages
- Not Uses Martingale
- Uses Grid Trading
- +3 years verified MyFxBook
- +3 years MQL5 live signal



## Description

- 3 risk management sets
- +15 years high-quality back-testing data
- One chart-setup
- Multi-currency pairs support
- Two Stock-Market Crash Filters
- Interest-Rate Futures Volatility Filter
- FX Options Volatility Filter
- Options Trend-Bias Volatility Filter
- New year holiday filter
- Need to run on VPS
- Market execution
- Information panel
- 21 days free trial
- Telegram private group



## Verified track record (MyFxBook)

One crucial aspect of working with Expert Advisors is having their results verified by a credible third-party platform. The Forex space is crowded with bad actors who make exaggerated—or outright false—claims about their EAs to mislead newcomers.

Without an independent service that continuously tracks an EA's performance, you are forced either to accept a developer's claims on faith or to doubt their legitimacy altogether.

Thankfully, several respected verification platforms exist, and MyFxBook is among the best-known and most trusted. It offers a secure environment for analyzing trading systems, monitoring accounts, sharing ideas, and connecting traders with investors.

Seasoned traders can fine-tune strategies and review detailed metrics, while money managers and clients can link up transparently. MyFxBook underpins these interactions with robust guarantees of data integrity and security.

To provide full transparency, I maintain a public, verified MyFxBook profile that logs multiple configurations of my Expert Advisors—including FastWay EA—in real time, updating with every trade on my live accounts.

You can view FastWay EA's MyFxBook track record here:



## **Back-testing**

Before you put any Expert Advisor into live trading, it's wise to run a thorough back-test.

Back-testing applies a strategy to historical market data to see how it would have performed. By comparing results across different approaches, you can identify the most promising one.

The logic is straightforward: if a strategy handled past conditions well, it has a better chance of coping with similar situations in the present or future. Testing on historical datasets that mirror today's environment lets you gauge performance without risking real capital.

That said, back-testing is no guarantee of success. Market behavior changes, and past returns never ensure future gains.

Think of back-testing as one element of your due-diligence toolkit. It reveals potential volatility and helps you plan risk management.

Remember, live trading incurs commissions, swaps and slippage—costs many raw back-tests ignore. Any simulation should factor in these expenses because they directly affect real profit and loss.

For this reason, I continually back-test all of my EAs with high modelling accuracy.

Below are links to 15 years of back-tests for FastWay EA:



FastWay back-testing data

## **BROKERS**





#### What is a Forex broker

To run FastWay EA you'll need an account with a suitable broker. If you already have a trusted broker, feel free to jump ahead to the Licenses section.

In currency trading, a forex broker is the financial-services firm that gives you the platform to buy and sell foreign exchange. Often called a retail-fx or currency-trading broker, it serves everyone from individual speculators to major institutions trading on behalf of banks and clients.

Each brokerage handles only a small slice of the global FX market, yet its quality of execution, pricing and support can make a big difference to traders.

Because FastWay EA runs on MetaTrader 5, your broker must offer MetaTrader 5. Which broker you choose is entirely up to you, but the selection will influence your final results—especially with respect to spreads, slippage and execution speed.

Even with robots that aren't ultra-sensitive to costs, it's still wise to operate through a broker that provides the most competitive trading conditions possible.

Over the next few pages you'll find practical guidelines for evaluating brokers and my personal shortlist of favorites.

If you're already happy with your current broker, skip ahead to the Licenses section of this guide.

#### How to select a Forex broker

To trade Forex with FastWay EA, you'll need a live account at a firm that offers online FX or CFD execution.

These firms—often called retail "forex brokers" or "CFD providers"—differ in several key areas you should weigh before opening an account:

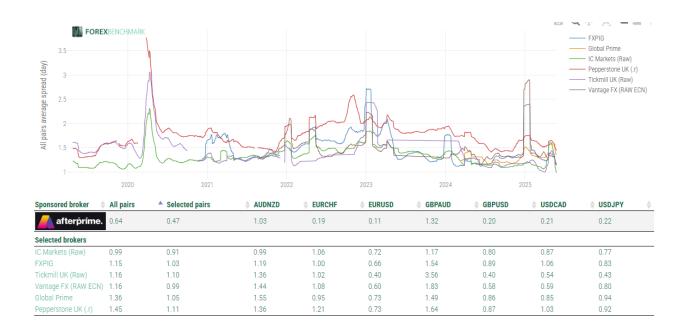
- Leverage: Lets you control a large position with a small amount of your own capital.
- <u>Margin</u>: The initial deposit the broker requires to open a position, usually quoted as a percentage of trade size.
- **Spread**: The gap between bid and ask; it reflects the broker's core trading cost on every trade.
- Commissions: Some brokers add a per-trade or per-lot fee on top of the spread.
- Deposits & withdrawals: Check for any hidden charges when funding, topping up or withdrawing profits.
- <u>Regulation</u>: A well-regulated broker must meet strict capital and reporting rules, giving traders added protection.

#### How to select a Forex broker

- <u>Currency pairs</u>: Make sure the broker offers the specific pairs you intend to trade; majors such as EUR/USD, GBP/USD, USD/JPY and USD/CHF should carry deep liquidity.
- Trading platforms: The broker must support MetaTrader 5 with stable execution and robust analysis tools.
- <u>Customer service</u>: Because markets run around the clock, 24-hour support—ideally with a quick phone or live-chat response—adds peace of mind.

All of these factors matter, but for most retail traders the single variable that impacts results the most is spread.

To see how different brokers have priced various pairs over time, you can use the free comparison site ForexBenchmark and review their historical spread data.



#### Recommended Forex brokers

Based on my own experience and my client's, these are my top 3 recommended brokers to trade with my EAs:



1. Valutrades SC: I have been working with this broker for over 10 years. This broker opens accounts with leverage of 1:100 and more for residents of almost all countries: EU, AU, NZ, CN, JP, and etc. Excellent trading conditions, accepts deposits in cryptocurrency. The only exceptions are US residents, for whom a "regular" forex account is often unavailable.

Open an account now



2. IC Markets: The largest retail forex broker. Excellent trading conditions, reliable broker. But for residents of EU, AU, JP, US does not open accounts with a leverage of 1:100 or more. Also does not accept cryptocurrency to replenish the account.
Open an account now



3. IC Trading: A subsidiary broker of IC Markets, which has identical trading conditions.

Opens accounts for residents of the EU, AU, JP with a leverage of 1:100 or more. Accepts deposits in cryptocurrency.

Open an account now

#### MetaTrader 5

After settling on a broker, you will need to open a MetaTrader 5 (MT5) account — FastWay EA is designed exclusively for MT5. I no longer develop MT4 versions for three main reasons:

- 1. Platform longevity: MT4 is now legacy software; MetaQuotes has redirected resources toward MT5 and no longer releases substantive MT4 updates.
- **2. Modern tool-set**: MT5 delivers a multi-threaded strategy tester, additional order types, depth-of-market data and 64-bit performance—features critical for advanced automation.
- **3. Future support:** As broker infrastructure continues to migrate to MT5, MT4 compatibility and technical support will steadily decline and may be discontinued entirely.

Because of this, FastWay EA (and all future updates) will run only on MT5. When you purchase a license—whether through my website or via the MQL5 Marketplace—it will activate for MT5 accounts exclusively.

If you wish to explore the platform further, you can download the official MT5 terminal here:

MetaTrader 5

## LICENSES





### How licensing works

To use FastWay EA in your MetaTrader 5 terminal, you need to have an active license.

There are two ways to get started:

#### 1. Free trial (21 days)

You can try FastWay EA for free for 21 days.

To activate the trial, you'll need to link your MetaTrader 5 account number (real or demo) on my website:

dash.paveludo.com

This step is required so we can issue a trial license specifically for your account.

The trial gives you full access to the EA on both demo and live accounts — no payment or commitment needed.

Without trial activation, the EA will display a "The license status does not allow trading" message and won't be able to place trades.

#### 2. Full version

The full, unlimited version of FastWay EA is available **exclusively via the MQL5 marketplace**:

FastWay EA on MQL5

After purchase, the EA will work instantly from within your MetaTrader 5 platform — **no linking account or registration on my website is required**.

### How to start your free trial

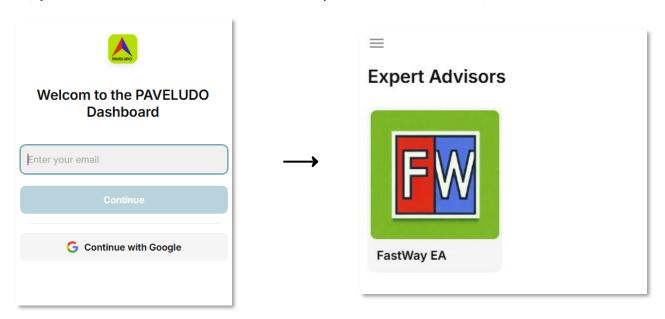
Once you've signed in to your personal dashboard, you can **activate a 21-day free trial** of **FastWay EA** directly from the "Expert Advisors" section.

This trial gives you unrestricted access to the EA for three weeks, allowing you to test it thoroughly on a demo or live MetaTrader account — no payment information or obligations required.

To begin your trial, you'll need to enter a valid MetaTrader 5 account number. If you don't have one yet, please refer to the "Brokers" section of this guide to open an account.

Here you have a breakdown of all the steps you need to take in order to start your free trial:

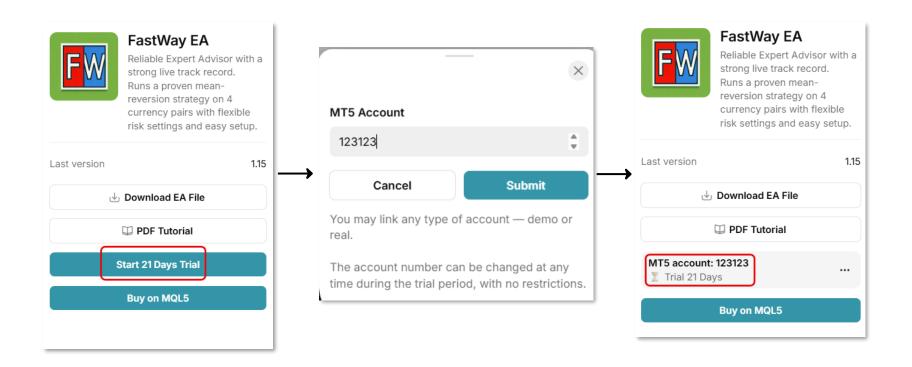
- 1. Your first step is to access the user dashboard and log in using your email or Google account. No registration is needed just enter your email to receive a one-time code, or sign in instantly with Google.
- 2. Once inside, you will land in the user dashboard "Expert Advisors" section, which looks like this:



### How to start your free trial

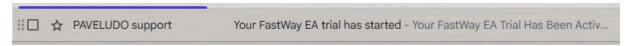
- 4. Next, open the FastWay EA box in your user dashboard.
- 5. Click on the yellow 'Start 21 Days Trial' button, then enter your MetaTrader account number and confirm by clicking the 'Submit' button.
- 6. Once activated, your FastWay EA box will unlock, showing the EA image along with your MT5 account number and a clear note that your trial license is active for 21 days.

The remaining time will update automatically each day, so you'll always see how many days are left



## How to start your free trial

After starting your trial, you will receive an automated email confirmation from me:



You're now officially cleared to trade with **FastWay EA** — welcome aboard! That means it's time to move on to the next step: getting everything installed and ready to go.

To be sure everything's running smoothly, please open this email and check that you received it correctly. If it's not in your inbox, take a quick look in your spam folder — occasionally, filters can misplace it.

If you have any questions left, just drop me a message at support@paveludo.com - I'll do my best to reply with a clear and helpful answer.

## How to purchase licenses

Hopefully, after completing your free trial of FastWay EA, you'll be ready to take the next step and unlock the full potential of your trading with a lifetime license.

By purchasing FastWay EA on the MQL5 marketplace, you'll receive:

- 7 activations for MetaTrader 5 licensing is tied to the device, not the account. You can run unlimited EA copies on unlimited terminals on each activated computer/VPS.
- Lifetime access no subscription, no renewals.
- Free updates all future improvements included.
- Private Telegram group stay connected with the community.
- Direct support from PAVELUDO personal assistance when needed.
- Remote desktop configuration help setting up your EA, if required.

The number of licenses is limited, and the price increases gradually as more users join. This approach helps me keep the user base manageable so I can provide high-quality support, continue improving the EA, and ensure a better experience for every client.

I prefer to work with fewer traders - and support them well - than to sell to the masses with no personal connection.

**b** Buy FastWay EA on MQL5 now

Let's take your trading to the next level.

## INSTALLATION



### How to install FastWay EA

Once you've selected a broker and opened a MetaTrader 5 account, you're ready to install FastWay EA and begin trading.

#### To do that, you'll need three things:

- 1. VPS (Virtual Private Server): A remote machine that runs 24/7. It's strongly recommended to install FastWay EA on a VPS to ensure uninterrupted operation without keeping your computer on all day.
- 2. MetaTrader 5 trading platform: This is the software that connects your broker account to FastWay EA. MetaTrader 5 is the only platform supported by this Expert Advisor.
- 3. Expert Advisor files: These are the .EX5 files of FastWay EA required to run the EA on your MetaTrader 5 terminal.

There are two ways to install FastWay EA, depending on the version you're using:

- Manual Installation (Trial Version only):
   Download the EA files from <u>dash.paveludo.com</u>, register your MT5 account for trial access, and set up the EA manually on your computer or VPS. This method is intended for users testing the free 21-day trial.
- MQL5 Installation (Full Market Version only):
   If you've purchased FastWay EA through the MQL5 marketplace, simply log into your MQL5 account within MetaTrader 5 and install the EA directly from the Market tab of your terminal no manual setup required.

Choose the method that fits your version. If you're just getting started or testing the EA, use the manual installation via the official dashboard. If you've already purchased the EA on MQL5, the built-in marketplace process will guide you.

#### Manual installation

Manual installation is required if you want to try the 21-day trial of FastWay EA.

Since the MQL5 marketplace does not allow trial downloads, this is the only way to test the EA before purchasing.

#### This method involves:

- o Running FastWay EA on your own PC or any VPS of your choice
- Downloading and installing your broker's MetaTrader 5 platform
- Adjusting a few MetaTrader 5 settings to enable automated trading
- Downloading the EA files from the official website <a href="https://dash.paveludo.com">https://dash.paveludo.com</a>
- Placing the EA files into the MQL5/Experts folder
- Loading FastWay EA onto your chart

As you can see, this setup involves several steps.

It's ideal for users who have some experience with MetaTrader or who want to install the EA in a **custom environment** like their own VPS or personal machine.

If you are new to Expert Advisors and MetaTrader, take your time to follow the step-by-step instructions in this guide.

The effort is worth it — you'll get full access to all features of FastWay EA for 21 days, with no limitations or payment required.

Here you have a breakdown of all the steps you need to take in order to manually install FastWay EA:

1. To manually install and run FastWay EA, the first step is to decide whether you'll use your own PC or a VPS (Virtual Private Server).

For stability, uninterrupted operation, and low latency - I strongly recommend using a VPS.

If you already have a VPS, you can proceed to the next step. If not, here's what you should know:

#### Free vs Paid VPS

Free VPS servers are generally not suitable for running multiple MetaTrader terminals or for full EA operation. They often lack the necessary CPU power and memory. While they may work for demo testing, I don't recommend using free VPS for serious or large-volume trading.

Paid Windows VPS is the best option.

In most cases, a VPS with 2-4 CPU cores, 4-8 GB RAM, and SSD storage will be sufficient. This setup can easily handle 5-10 MetaTrader 5 terminals without issues.

Make sure to choose a VPS located near your broker's trading server - typically in London or New York - to minimize latency and ensure faster execution.

#### VPS Provider Recommendation

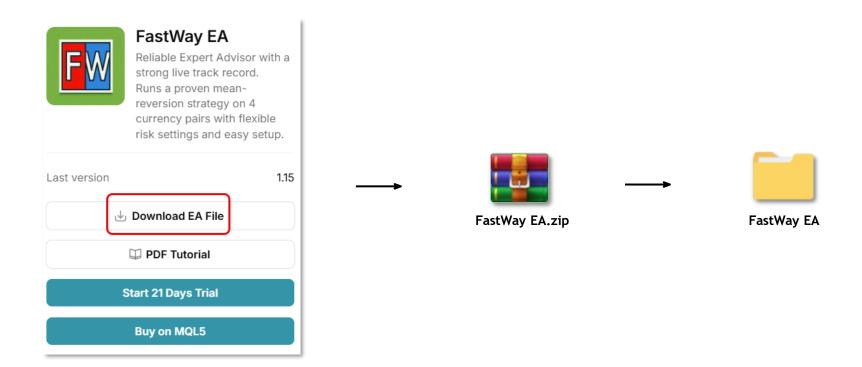
From personal experience, I recommend:

#### ForexVPS.net

It's a reliable, trader-friendly provider.

That said, there are plenty of other excellent VPS services online — feel free to explore and choose the one that best fits your needs.

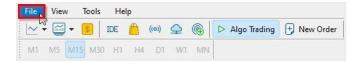
- 2. After setting up your VPS, the next step is to go to the user dashboard:
- 3. Log in using your email address.
- 4. Once you're in, you'll land on the "Expert Advisors" section. Find FastWay EA and click the "Download EA File" button this will download a .zip file containing all the files you need to install and run the EA.
- 5. Extract the files into desktop or a folder of your choice.



6. Next, head over to your MetaTrader 5 platform on your VPS and proceed to install the EA in the "Expert Advisors" folder of your terminal.

#### To do so:

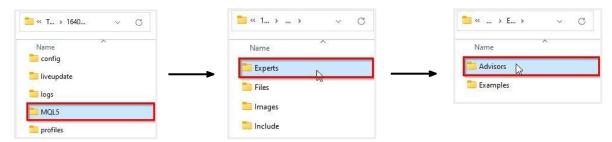
a. Click on "File", in the top menu



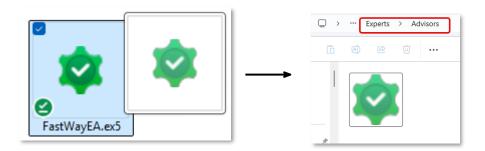
b. Click on "Open Data Folder"



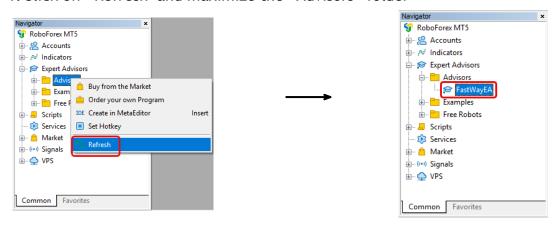
c. A folder will pop up, now click on "MQL5" > "Experts" > "Advisors"



d. Drag the FastwayEA.ex5 file from your desktop or folder of choice to the "Advisors" folder

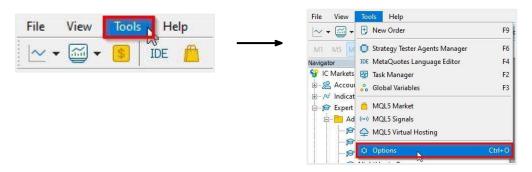


- e. Head back to your MetaTrader terminal, and locate the Navigator to the left hand side of the screen. Once there right click on the "Advisors folder"
- f. Click on "Refresh" and maximize the "Advisors" folder

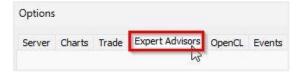


If everything was done correctly, you should see FastWay EA now in the list, ready to be used.

- 7. Once you have FastWay EA in your Navigator, you will need to make some configuration changes to your MetaTrader terminal: allow web requests and enable automated trading:
  - a. On your MetaTrader platform, head to the menu on the header and click on "Tools", and then on "Options"



b. Head over to the "Expert Advisors" tab and click on it



c. Check the "allow algorithmic trading" box



d. Check the "Allow WebRequest for listed URL:" box



e. Add the following URL by clicking on the green "+" symbol and copy-pasting one by one:



f. Click on the "OK" button and return to your MetaTrader terminal

**IMPORTANT:** The URL listed above is essential for FastWay EA to function properly. It is used to manage license validation and to fetch key financial market data that is not available through standard MT5 terminals. Failing to add it will prevent the EA from operating correctly.

## MQL5 Marketplace installation

To start using the full version of FastWay EA, you need to activate it inside the MetaTrader 5 terminal linked to the MQL5 account you used for the purchase. The process is quick and easy — no external downloads required.

Step-by-step activation:

#### 1. Log into your MQL5 account

In MetaTrader 5, open Tools  $\rightarrow$  Options  $\rightarrow$  Community and log in using the MQL5 credentials you used to purchase FastWay EA.

#### 2. Open the "Market" tab

At the bottom of the terminal window, go to the Market tab.

#### 3. Find "FastWay EA"

Use the search bar or go to the Purchased section to locate the product.

#### 4. Click "Install" or "Download"

The EA will install automatically if you're logged in.

#### 5. Activation notice

If this is the first time installing the EA on this computer/VPS, one activation will be used. If the EA was previously activated here, no activation will be consumed.

#### 6. Attach the EA to a chart

In the Navigator  $\rightarrow$  Expert Advisors section, drag FastWay EA onto the desired chart. If everything is correct, you will see "Market Version" on the info panel at the bottom — this means the EA is fully activated and running.

### ▼ That's it! Your FastWay EA is now ready to trade.

You only need to activate it once per device — future use won't consume extra activations.

You can also find a detailed manual on the mgl5.com website.

## **SETUP**





### How to setup FastWay EA

After you've successfully installed FastWay EA either through the "Manual" or "MQL5 marketplace" methods, you're ready to setup your EA on your MetaTrader charts and start trading with it.

- 1. Open a market chart, where you'll be loading your Expert Advisor to analyze the price movements of the currency pairs it is designed to trade
  - a. On your MetaTrader terminal, head up to the menu below the header, and click on the "Create a new chart" button

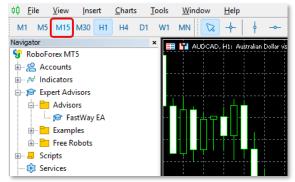


b. Select which currency pair you want to open a chart for and click on it. The charts you use will depend on each Expert Advisor and its trading strategy. In this example, I will select "AUDCAD".

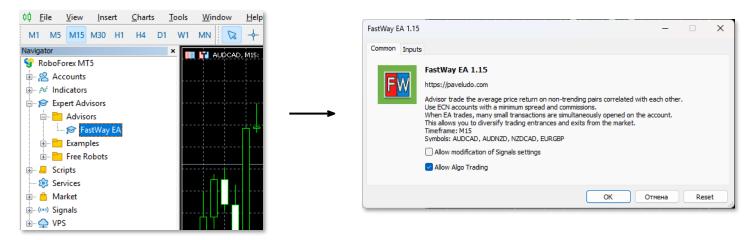


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3. Select the chart timeframe by clicking one of the available options in the top menu. Since FastWay EA is designed to run on the M15 (15-minute) timeframe, make sure to select M15 before attaching the EA to the chart.

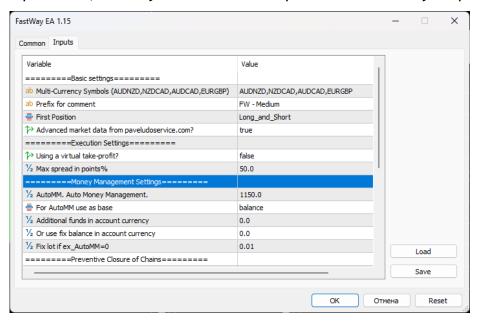


4. Head over to the "Expert Advisors" menu in the Navigator, and drag your FastWay EA into the chart.



#### How to setup FastWay EA

5. A window will appear showing the Expert Advisor details under the "Common" tab, and adjustable settings under the "Inputs" tab, where you can customize parameters to suit your preferences.



FastWay EA includes **flexible risk and money management settings** that allow you to adapt the EA to your preferred trading style and account size. The core trading logic is built directly into the EA, so you don't need to configure complex strategy rules — making it **simple and easy to use**.

The default parameters that load automatically are the ones I recommend for all new users. These are the same settings I use in my official **MyFxBook** track records, so they provide a reliable starting point for most traders. You'll find more details on each setting later in this guide.

6. After adjusting the parameters, loading a specific set file, or choosing to use the default settings, simply click the "OK" button to apply and launch the EA.

#### How to setup FastWay EA

6. Return to your chart and wait a few seconds for FastWay EA to load.

If everything was set up correctly, you'll see the message "Live Trading" at the bottom of the EA's info panel — this means the EA has successfully launched and is ready to start trading.

At this point, no further action is required.



To verify that everything is set up correctly in MetaTrader 5, look for the small graduation cap icon ( ) in the upper-right corner of the chart, next to the EA's name. If the icon is visible and colored, it means the Expert Advisor is running properly and ready to trade.

If you encounter any issues at this stage, feel free to reach out to us at <a href="mailto:support@paveludo.com">support@paveludo.com</a> — we'll be happy to assist you!

## **UPDATES**





#### How to update FastWay EA

To keep FastWay EA running at peak performance, I regularly update it — improving algorithms, refining logic based on market evolution, and implementing feedback from users.

Whenever a new version becomes available, it's highly recommended that you update your copy too. There are two ways to do this, depending on how you installed the EA:

#### 1. If you're using the 21-day trial (manual installation):

- a. Re-download the latest version from the "Expert Advisors" section in your user dashboard
- b. Extract the updated .ex5 file
- c. Replace the old file in your MetaTrader 5 data folder (see p.30 and p.31 of this guide)
- d. Refresh the Navigator and reattach FastWay EA to your charts
- e. Make sure the version number shown in the info panel matches the latest release

#### 2. If you purchased FastWay EA via MQL5 Market:

The update is handled automatically by the platform.

To get the newest version, go to the Market → Purchased tab inside MetaTrader 5 and click Update.

For more details, see the mql5 article:

How do I update an MQL5 app to the latest version?

# GRID TRADING SYSTEMS RISKS



#### Money & risk management for grid trading systems

Because FastWay EA is a grid-based system, effective money and risk management are absolutely vital for long-term success.

I've prepared a detailed section in this guide that explains every key point; please read it carefully before running FastWay EA - or any grid strategy - in live trading.

- **1. Money Management:** The first decision is position size relative to your deposit. In FastWay EA this is controlled by the Lot-sizing Method and related inputs. For most users it's enough to select one of the built-in risk levels (low, medium, high) and leave the rest unchanged. Performance for each level is shown in the FastWay EA <u>Risk</u> <u>Management part</u> of this guide.
- **2. Risk Management**. Risk settings determine how the EA handles drawdowns. The simplest tool is Max Floating Drawdown %.Example: set to 30 % and the EA will close all positions if equity falls 30 %, preserving the remaining 70 % of the account.

Remember that drawdown control must match your lot size. A very tight limit combined with a high-risk lot setting will trigger stops during normal operation—e.g., choosing "High Risk" but capping drawdown at 5 % will lead to repeated, unnecessary losses. A good rule is to set the limit at around twice the worst drawdown seen in long-term backtests.

If you're unable to run extensive tests yourself, refer to the long-term results in the FastWay EA - <u>Risk</u> <u>Management section</u> mentioned above.

### Money & risk management for grid trading systems

#### 3. Default parameters

Which settings should I use? In nearly every case the answer is: stick with the defaults — they're what I run in my own accounts and what you see in the official MyFxBook record.

#### 4. Match risk to leverage and deposit

Money-management settings must fit your equity and account leverage. You can't run "High Risk" on a 1:30 leverage account, and "Low Risk" makes little sense on a micro-deposit. Recommended lot sizes and balance ranges are listed in the FastWay EA - *Risk Management section* of this guide.

#### 5. Keep your VPS online 24/5

FastWay EA must stay connected to the market. If your VPS restarts or shuts down, FastWay EA will reconnect and resume managing existing trades once MT5 is back online; however, any downtime can cause the EA to miss optimal entry points that might have appeared while the server was offline.

Choose a stable VPS, and place the MetaTrader shortcut in the operating system's Startup folder so the terminal relaunches automatically after any reboot.

#### 6. Take the guidelines seriously

Every caution in this guide comes from real-world experience: users who combined high-risk lots with a 5% drawdown stop, others who altered grid coefficients, or ran aggressive risk on low-leverage accounts—all ended up losing money.

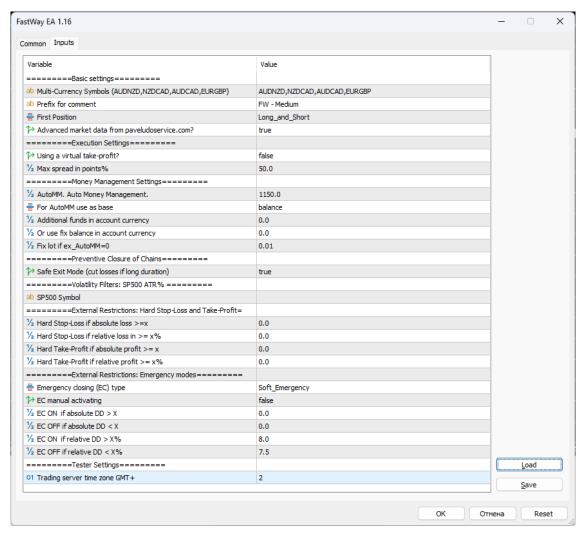
The lesson is simple: follow the proven settings, match risk to your capital and leverage, and keep FastWay EA running on a reliable VPS. Sound planning and disciplined money management are the keys to long-term success.

## **PARAMETERS**



#### Inputs

When you attach FastWay EA to a chart, a settings window will appear. Review each input and alert to ensure they meet your requirements, then click OK. A complete description of all parameters is provided in the following slides.



#### FastWay EA: Parameters

- <u>Multi-Currency Symbols</u> A comma-separated list of symbols the EA will trade. If left blank, the EA trades only the chart's current symbol. The EA ignores any symbol that is not supported. Broker prefix/suffix do not need to be specified. You can use all 4 possible Symbols at once, or you can use combinations of fewer symbols.
- Prefix for comment A text string that will be added to the comment field of every trade opened by the Expert Advisor.
- <u>First Position</u> Trading direction of the EA. If set to "NotOpen", the EA stops opening new series of trades. However, if it needs to open a new trade as part of an already opened series, the EA will do so.
- Advanced market data from paveludoservice.com? If true (default), the EA loads key financial market statistics—unavailable in standard MT5 terminals—from my service server.
- <u>Using a virtual take-profit?</u> My EA adjusts the take-profit levels for each open position every 15 minutes. Sometimes, when many positions are open, your broker may send you a warning email about high-frequency activity. While this is rare in the MT5 terminal, it is still possible. In such a case, you should set this parameter to true until most of the trades are closed.

#### FastWay EA: Risk management

When using a grid strategy, you don't usually realize actual losses — but floating drawdowns do happen. Big ones are rare, though it depends on your risk setting.

Set it high, and even a small market move could wipe your account. Keep it low, and you might survive something like the 2007–2009 crisis.

So, how to manage this? Here's my advice:

Figure out the biggest floating drawdown you're okay with — then double it. Choose a risk level where past performance stayed within that doubled number.

Why double? Because every system eventually breaks past its max drawdown. Grid strategies vary more over time, so this 2x cushion helps guard against future surprises.

Below is a table showing the FastWay EA backtest results using high-quality tick data from IC Markets MT5.

FastWay EA – Backtest Results (With Compounding)												
Strategy Description	AutoMM (Risk setting)	Period	Min Balance	Initial Deposit	Years	Profit (USD)	Trades	Total Growth (%)	Annual Profit (%)	Max DD (%)	Efficiency (AP/DD)	
Compounding - FW low risk (AY41-DD25)	2000	2010-2025	2500	10000	15	1 684 046	5821	16,940%	40.8%	25.6%	1.59	2.6
Compounding - FW medium risk (default) (AY81-DD43)	1150	2010-2025	1500	2000	15	15 152 364	6763	757,718%	81.4%	43.32%	1.88	2.6
Compounding - FW High Risk 2010-2016 (AY230-DD83)	600	2010-2016	800	1000	7	4 336 573	2829	433,757%	230.8%	83.61%	2.76	2.13
Compounding - FW High Risk 2017-2024 (AY150-DD77)	600	2017-2025	800	1000	8	1 759 970	2736	176,097%	154.5%	76.86%	2.01	2.38
FastWay EA – Backtest Result (Without Compounding)												
Strategy Description	AutoMM (Risk setting)	Period	Min Balance (USD)	Initial Deposit (USD)	Years	Profit (USD)	Trades	Total Growth (%)	Annual Profit (USD)	Max DD (USD)	Efficiency (AP/DD)	
Non-Compounding - FW medium risk	1150	2010-2025	1500	10000	15	89 288	5796	893%	5 953	4 428	1.34	2.6



#### FastWay EA: MM & Risk settings

• <u>AutoMM</u>. <u>Auto Money Management</u> - If this setting is set to 0, the EA will use a fixed lot size, defined in the "Base Lot" parameter below. If the setting is greater than 0, the EA will automatically calculate the lot size for each trade based on this value.

The larger the value, the smaller the resulting lot size will be - and vice versa.

This is the main risk management parameter of the EA:

2000 — corresponds to low risk;

1150 — corresponds to medium risk;

600 — corresponds to high risk;

- <u>For AutoMM use as base</u> The basis for lot size calculation: Balance, Equity, or the average of Balance and Equity.
- Additional funds in account currency If you want the EA to behave as if your account balance is higher or lower than it actually is by a fixed amount, use this field.
- Or use fix balance in account currency If you want the EA to ignore your actual account balance and calculate lot size based on a fixed value, enter that value in this field. This setting is especially useful and appropriate for backtesting in a mode without profit compounding.
- Fix lot if AutoMM=0 If AutoMM = 0, the EA uses this value as the base lot size.
- Max Days Without Trades=0.25 if set to 0.0, this setting is ignored (disabled). Default is 0.25. If no trades have been opened for longer than the specified number of days, the EA will start placing micro trades at C1 and C2 levels to maintain activity.
- <u>Safe Exit Mode (cut losses if long duration)</u> If true (default), the EA will close trade series at a loss if they remain open for a long time without the opportunity to close in profit or breakeven. This is a **critical setting** that allows the EA to "accept a loss" and continue operating effectively. If set to **false**, the EA will only close trade series in profit or at breakeven. While this approach ensures a smoother equity curve, it carries **the risk of getting stuck in a prolonged floating drawdown**, where recovery becomes more like a gamble than a deliberate strategy.

### FastWay EA: Hard Stop-Loss and Hard Take-Profit

- SP500 Symbol The symbol name that the EA looks for and uses in your terminal to apply global stock market volatility filters. If left empty (default), the EA will automatically search for the correct symbol. If a value is specified, the EA will forcibly use the provided symbol.
- Hard Stop-Loss if absolute loss >=x If the absolute floating loss generated by trades opened by FastWay EA exceeds the specified amount, the EA will forcibly close all of its trades on the account. If set to 0, this setting is ignored.
- <u>Hard Stop-Loss if relative loss in >= x%</u> If the relative floating loss (as a percentage of the account balance) caused by trades opened by FastWay EA exceeds the specified value, the EA will forcibly close all of its trades on the account. If set to 0, this setting is ignored.
- Hard Take-Profit if absolute profit >= x If the absolute floating profit generated by trades opened by FastWay EA exceeds the specified amount, the EA will forcibly close all of its trades on the account. If set to 0, this setting is ignored.
- <u>Hard Take-Profit if relative profit >= x</u> If the relative floating profit (as a percentage of the account balance) caused by trades opened by FastWay EA exceeds the specified value, the EA will forcibly close all of its trades on the account. If set to 0, this setting is ignored.

#### FastWay EA: Emergency Closing Mode

- Emergency closing (EC) type Two options are available when the EA enters Emergency Closing (EC) mode:
  - 1) **Soft (default):** The EA stops opening new trade series, but may continue adding trades to existing series if it aligns with its logic.
  - 2) **Hard:** The EA completely stops opening any new trades both for new and existing trade series.
- EC manual activating If true, manually activates Emergency Closing mode.
- <u>EC ON if absolute DD > X</u> Automatically activates Emergency Closing mode if the absolute floating drawdown exceeds the specified value.
- <u>EC OFF if absolute DD < X</u> Automatically deactivates Emergency Closing mode if the absolute floating drawdown falls below the specified value.
- <u>EC ON if relative DD > X%</u> Automatically activates Emergency Closing mode if the relative floating drawdown (in percentage) exceeds the specified value. If the `Or use fix balance` parameter is used, the drawdown is calculated based on the fixed balance value, not the actual account balance.
- <u>EC OFF if relative DD < X%</u> Automatically **deactivates** Emergency Closing mode if the relative floating drawdown (in percentage) falls below the specified value. If the `Or use fix balance` parameter is used, the drawdown is calculated based on the fixed balance value, not the actual account balance.

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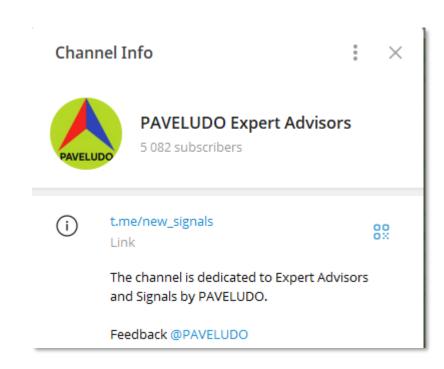
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These groups are highly active, with members regularly sharing insights, setups, and real results.

It's a space where traders learn from each other and grow together.

You'll also find team members ready to assist with any technical issues, as well as myself - I'm present in the group, answering questions and providing updates and support. Your satisfaction and long-term success are my highest priorities.

How to join the private group:

To request access, please write a comment on the "comment" tab of the EA on MQL5 saying: "Please add me to the private group."

Once I see your message, I'll reach out to you via private message on MQL5 and send you a personal invite link to join the group.



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