BEST PRACTICES GUIDE FOR THE BOOKMAP TRADING COMPETITION

Welcome to the Bookmap Trading Competition! Whether you're a seasoned trader or new to the platform, following these best practices will help you get the most out of the competition.

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GETTING STARTED

Eligibility to Participate

The competition is open to all Bookmap users with a Digital Plus, Global, or Global Plus subscription. New users are also welcome to join, but they'll need to subscribe to one of these plans to qualify.

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Practice Before the Event

You have the option to practice trading before the competition begins using the Bookmap Simulator. Take advantage of this opportunity to familiarize yourself with the platform and features. Please note that one hour before the event starts, all training results will be reset.

MBO Bundle Access

During the competition, you'll have free access to the full MBO Bundle—a premium set of tools designed for advanced market insight. This bundle is based on CME's Market-by-Order (MBO) data, which provides detailed information on individual buy and sell orders. With these tools, you can track important market activity like Stops and Icebergs to develop more strategic decisions during the competition.

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The MBO Bundle includes

Stops & Icebergs Sub-Chart

Visualizes where Stop and Iceberg orders are placed, executed, or canceled, offering insights into significant market moves.

Liquidity Tracker Pro

Reveals bid and ask liquidity across the order book and allows filtering by order size, helping you spot liquidity changes that may indicate upcoming shifts in market direction.

Market Pulse

Monitors multiple instruments at once, tracking events generated by order flow, options, and liquidations to provide a comprehensive view of market behavior.

Tradermap Pro

Enables custom heatmaps with MBO filters, offering a tailored view of order book activity that aligns with your trading approach.

Icebergs On-Chart

Tracks iceberg orders directly on the main chart, showing exactly when they are detected, traded,
or canceled to give a real-time view of impactful events.

These tools provide a deeper, more detailed look at market dynamics, allowing for strategic decision-making based on real order flow data. After the competition, the MBO Bundle will revert to a paid add-on.

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TRADING DURING THE COMPETITION

Compete on ESZ4 / NQZ4 / RTYZ4

The instruments used in the competition are ESZ4, NQZ4, or RTYZ4, and they are available on Bookmap's trading simulator server. You can access this instrument via BookmapData or Rithmic. Every participant will have free access to CME BookmapData starting one day before the competition begins.

Maximum Lot Size

To ensure fair competition and manage risk, participants are restricted to a maximum lot size per trade. **With a capital of $100,000 and leverage of x50, the maximum lot size calculation is as follows: 100,000 / 5500 x 50 (price multiplier) / 50 (leverage) = 18 (approximately).** Additionally, a commission of $1.9 per contract will be applied to each trade. This limit maintains a level playing field and prevents over-leveraging. Please adhere to this rule throughout the competition.

Order Types Available

Participants can place Market, Limit, and Stop orders, and utilize Brackets from the Bookmap TCP (Trade Control Panel). Please note that the Brackets will be client-side and managed by Bookmap.

Virtual Capital

Each participant will receive a virtual **$100,000** in their account to trade. Keep in mind that your maximum trading position will depend on your account balance.

TECHNICAL SETUP AND CONFIGURATION

Ensure Proper Setup

- Launch Bookmap and select trading mode.
- Add Multibook by clicking the '+' symbol and selecting BookmapData as your platform.
- Connect to the Trading Simulator platform to access the competition in the crosstrading dropdown.

Install the MBO Bundle Indicators

To maximize your trading insights during the competition, install the following MBO Bundle indicators:

- 1. **Stops & Iceberg Sub-Chart Indicator (SI Sub-Chart)**
  2. **Icebergs On-Chart Indicator (Icebergs On-Chart)**
  3. **Liquidity Tracker Pro (LT-Pro)**
  4. **Market Pulse**

  Follow the Add-On Installation Guide for detailed instructions.

  Bookmap's latest version offers an easier way to install add-ons without downloading files manually. When you open Bookmap, a popup will display any new add-ons available, along with their names, versions, and descriptions. Only add-ons compatible with your license will be shown.

  To install an add-on:

  1. Click the **"Install"** button next to the desired add-on. The Add-ons Manager will automatically download and install it for you.
  2. Once installation is complete, the add-on will be ready for use.
  3. To view or manage your installed add-ons, navigate to the Add-ons Manager via the "Settings" menu. This menu shows all installed add-ons with details like names, versions, and allowed status.

  Important: Restart Bookmap after purchasing the add-on to update your license.

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Install Tradermap Lite Add-on (Filter Out Market Maker Bots)

- 1. Install Tradermap Lite as a regular add-on from the Add-On Manager.
  2. Go to the chart you want to filter.
  3. Open the Add-Ons Config dialog.
  4. Enable Tradermap Lite.

  After this, a new Tradermap Lite filtered instrument will be subscribed, allowing you to filter out Market Maker bots from the heatmap and gain a clearer view of real liquidity in the order book.

If you face issues sending an order, check your connection status first.

LEARN HOW TO CONNECT IN-DEPTH

Connection Status

- Monitor the connection indicator in the Bookmap window. If it's:
  - **Yellow:** Connecting.
  - **Red:** Disconnected.
  - **White:** Connected and ready.

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NO HIDDEN FEES

Free Participation

There is no cost to join the competition. You don’t need to pay for data or make any purchases—just register and start trading!

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PREPARING FOR THE COMPETITION

Set Up Before Deadline

Make sure Bookmap is fully installed, and you are able to trade the correct instrument. Check that you can view your trading results on the leaderboard. All systems should be operational by **December 10 at 9:30 AM EST.**

Test Your Setup

Use the pre-competition time to test your connection, instruments, and trading tools. Verify that you can see the leaderboard, which will reset before the event.

ACCESS THE LEADERBOARD HERE

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USING TOOLS AND THIRD-PARTY PRODUCTS

- You can use any third-party tools or add-ons, but trading itself must be done via Bookmap.

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COMPETITION DAY BEST PRACTICES

- During the competition, keep an eye on the leaderboard for real-time updates on your performance. All competitors will start with a fresh balance, so stay focused.

- If you encounter any issues with placing trades, review your connection status promptly to avoid downtime.

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PRIZES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The competition review will take place on **December 12, 2024, at 4 PM EST.** Winners will be announced the following day. Watch the leaderboard and check your email for the official results.

SUPPORT AND TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Get Help When Needed**

  If you encounter issues, don't hesitate to reach out to Bookmap support at support@bookmap.com, via live chat on the website, or through our dedicated Discord channel.

By following these best practices, you'll be well-prepared to compete at your best. Good luck!