## 15 Min Strategy Cheat Sheet

- 1. All the information you need will be given off the 1st 15 min bar print. bar print from /ES
  - a. Even if you are trading SPX side of this strategy, all of the signals triggered for entry/stop/reversal are still taken off the /ES chart
- 2. The Initial Trigger Entry will be if /ES moves .50 off the high (long entry) or low (short entry) of the 1st 15 min bar.
  - a. I.E. If the high is 5244, the entry long is 5244.50
  - b. I.E. If the low is 5233, the entry short is 5232.50
- 3. Once you get your 1st trigger, the stop moves to either the high (short entry) or low (long entry) of the 1st 15 min bar.
  - a. I.E. If the trigger was an entry long at 5244.50, the stop is now 5233.
  - b. I.E. If the trigger was an entry short at 5232.50, the stop is now 5244.
    - i. \*\*Note: Always use Full Bar Range for SPX stops, on Futures your stop will depend on bar range/VIX//trader preference.
- 4. The Target is always 20 points off the trigger.
  - a. I.E. If the trigger is long at 5244.50, the target is 5264.50.
  - b. I.E. If the trigger is short at 5232.50, the target is 5212.50.
- 5. When 15 of the 20 point move is met, this is where I move my stops when trading futures to break even. You could also choose to move your stop to create a small profit, this is up to you.
- 6. If an entry gets stopped out before 10:15 (central), then it also creates a valid reentry for a reversal move.
  - a. I.E. If the 1st trigger long at 5244.50 is stopped out by hitting 5233 at 9:30 am, then it is a valid reversal move lower.
    - i. This means your new target is 5213 (20 points below entry at 5233).
    - ii. This means your new stop is the high of the bar at 5244.
  - b. I.E. If the 1st trigger short at 5232.50 is stopped out by hitting 5244 at 10:14 am, then it is a valid reversal move higher.
    - i. This means your new target is 5264 (20 points above entry at 5244).
    - ii. This means your new stop is the low of the bar at 5233.
- 7. When choosing strikes for SPX, look at the high and low of the 1st 15 min range on SPX
  - a. Go 10 points off the high/low for the BTO long strike of the Vertical Debit Spread. Also the Vertical Debit Spread will also be a 5 point spread width.
    - i. I.E. If the high is 5220, the Call Strikes are BTO 5230 and STO 5235
    - ii. I.E. If the low is 5200, the Put Strikes are BTO 5190 and STO 5185
  - b. The Corresponding Cover Order will always share the same short strike, and be a 5 point width spread as well
    - i. I.E. STO 5235 and BTO 5230 Calls for the corresponding cover order

- ii. I.E. STO 5185 and BTO 5180 Puts for the corresponding cover order
- 8. SPX always uses Same Day Expiration
- 9. Determine your stop if trading futures
  - a. -4 Stop
  - b. Full Bar Range (or a  $\frac{1}{2}$  bar/fraction if the 1st 15 min full bar range is wider than 20 points)
  - c. VIX Rule
- 10. NO TRADE DAYS (There are 4 types you can run into)
  - a. If the current day's 1st 15 min bar's range tags the prior day's closing price during cash market, then it is a No Trade Day
  - b. If it is a FED Day where there is the possibility of a rate cut or hike and a press conference afterwards, then it is a No Trade Day
  - c. If it is Triple Witching Expiration, then it is a No Trade Day
  - d. The /ES does not get a valid trigger long or short by 10, then it is a No Trade Day