

## CQG Guide

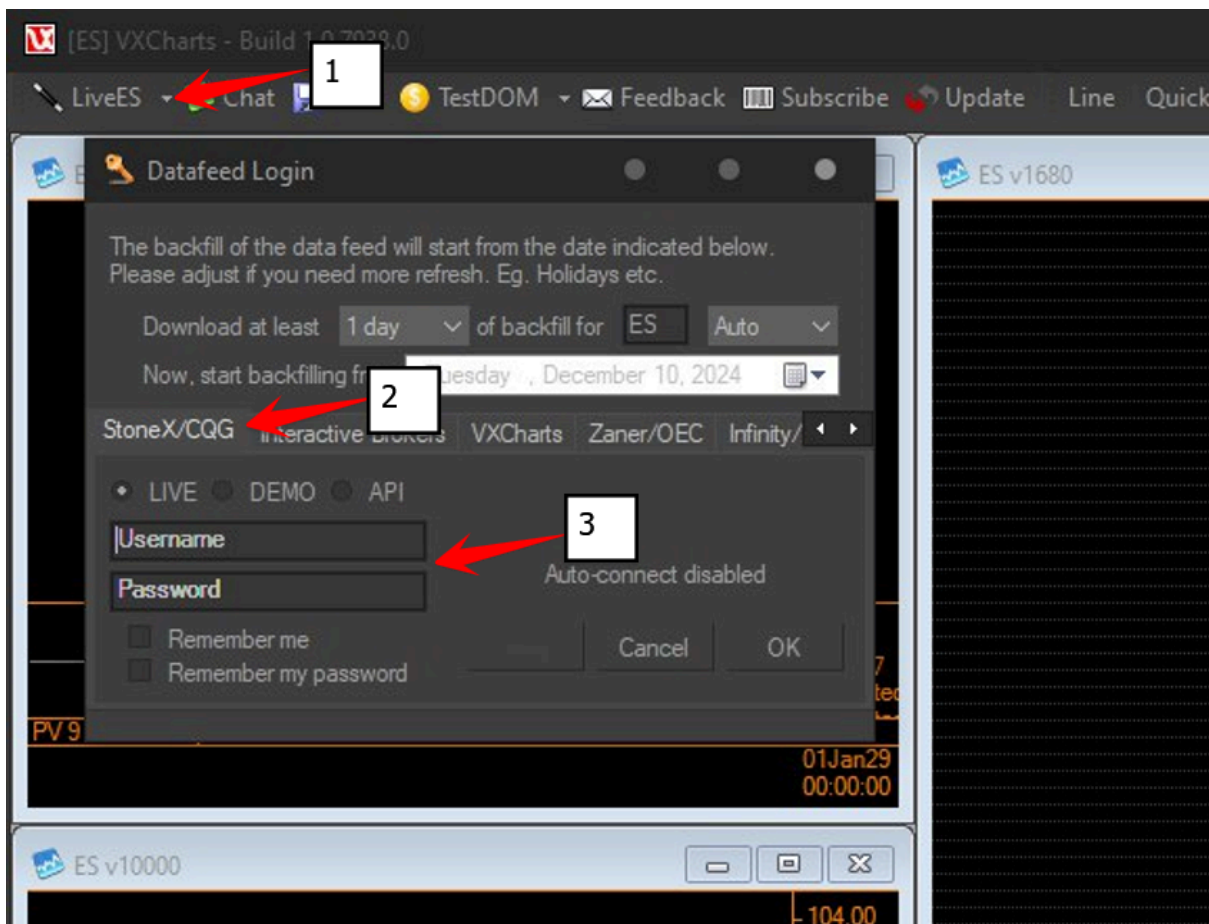
### What is CQG?

CQG is the new trade management platform prescribed by StoneX. This platform is browser based and all your orders are placed on servers. CQG is one of the market leaders in market data and trading platform, and it is known to be more secure and reliable.

### What about VXCharts?

VXCharts will still pull data from StoneX. You need to add your trading account login details to the CQG tab when you load LiveES (previously known as MagicES).

1. On VXCharts, click on LiveES
2. Select StoneX/CQG tab
3. Enter your account login details > (check Remember Me, Remember my password) > OK

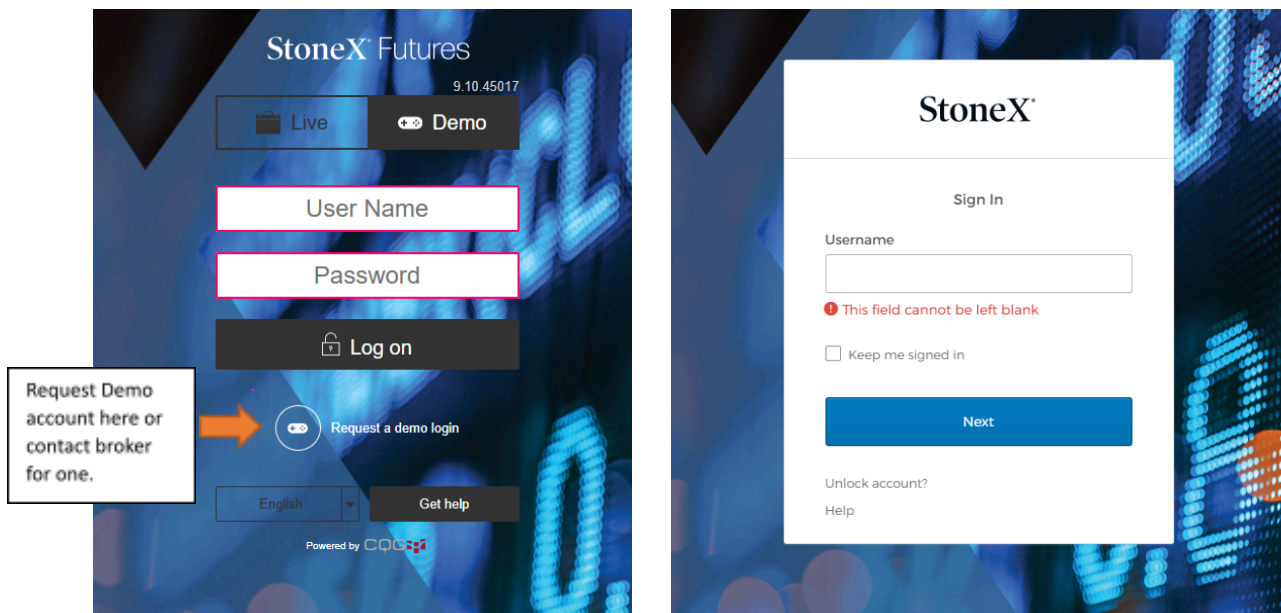


## Using CQG

The website. As mentioned, there is no new software to download as CQG is 100% browser based. To launch CQG for your trading, go to the following links (please bookmark them).

- DEMO trading : <https://mdemo.cqg.com/stonexfutures/desktop/logon>
- LIVE trading : <https://m.cqg.com/stonexfutures>

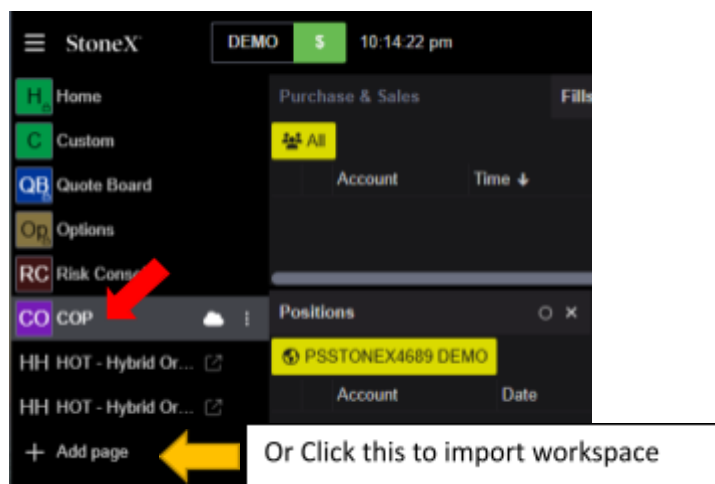
DEMO and LIVE have different login credentials and if you want to get a DEMO account, contact your broker to issue you with a set of DEMO credentials. Or you can use the DEMO request link on the page to get one.

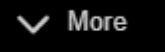


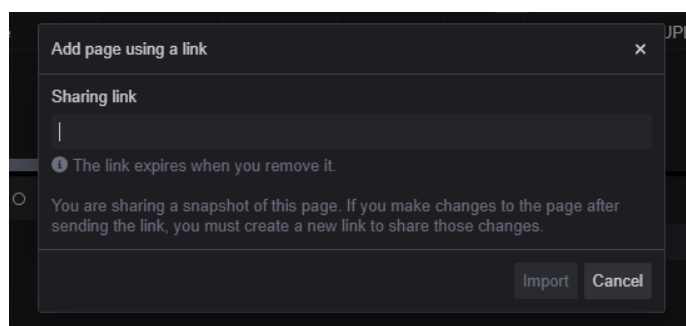
Respective Demo (left) vs Live login screens (right)

### Loading COP workspace

A COP workspace has been created for you so you do not have to set up everything from scratch.



- Traders with Cannon Trading** – COP workspace would have been created. Go to the menu on the left, click on  **More**, click COP to launch the workspace. The COP workspace is available on both DEMO and LIVE logins. *(In the event you do not have COP workspace, you can always load the workspaces via shared-links. Instructions are stated in the following paragraph.)*



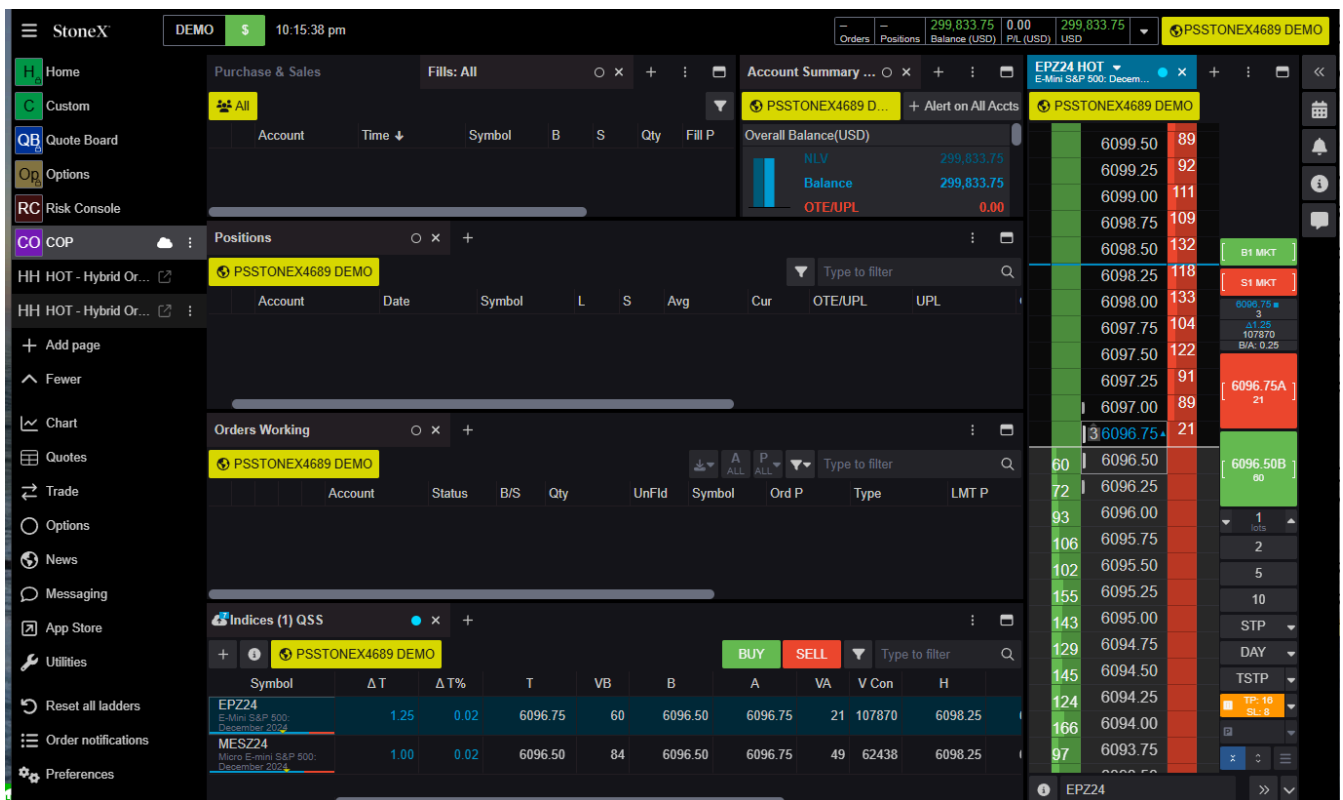
At the Sharing Link field, copy and paste the following links into the field to launch the pre-made COP workspaces. Please note that the links are specific to Demo or Live CQG.

- DEMO COP workspace (when logged in via DEMO):**  
[https://mdemo.cqg.com/stonexfutures/assetpac/07bf023b-6e5f-403e-b7b5-c95f64a5ceca\\_pG180025ab8e356e-b30f-4290-aa99-f7e8cc26729a](https://mdemo.cqg.com/stonexfutures/assetpac/07bf023b-6e5f-403e-b7b5-c95f64a5ceca_pG180025ab8e356e-b30f-4290-aa99-f7e8cc26729a)
- LIVE COP workspace (when logged in via LIVE):**  
[https://m.cqg.com/stonexfutures/assetpac/c20c6dd3-34f1-45ef-9687-438ace33d428\\_pG166611445fd46d1-717f-4171-bcb5-bfde885fc60d](https://m.cqg.com/stonexfutures/assetpac/c20c6dd3-34f1-45ef-9687-438ace33d428_pG166611445fd46d1-717f-4171-bcb5-bfde885fc60d)

Note: You must have CME ES data subscription in order for the **LIVE** workspace to work properly – refer to page 16 to learn how to subscribe to CME ES data.

Watch video here: <https://vxcharts.com/permalink/videos/switch-to-cqg>

Upon successfully launching COP workspaces, your CQG should look similar to this (slight differences are fine as the workspace might have received some updates).



What each section represents on the CQG COP workspace:

- **Purchases & Sales:** All the trades taken on the day
- **Account summary:** Your account balance, unrealized/realized Profit and Loss etc
- **Positions:** Any open positions (filled orders)
- **Orders Working:** Shows any pending (unfilled) orders, like queued unfilled orders or your bracket orders.
- **Orders Filled:** Filled orders of the day.
- **Indices:** The markets you are trading (**MES** is micro-S&P and **EP** is mini-S&P)
- **HOT:** The trading ladder.

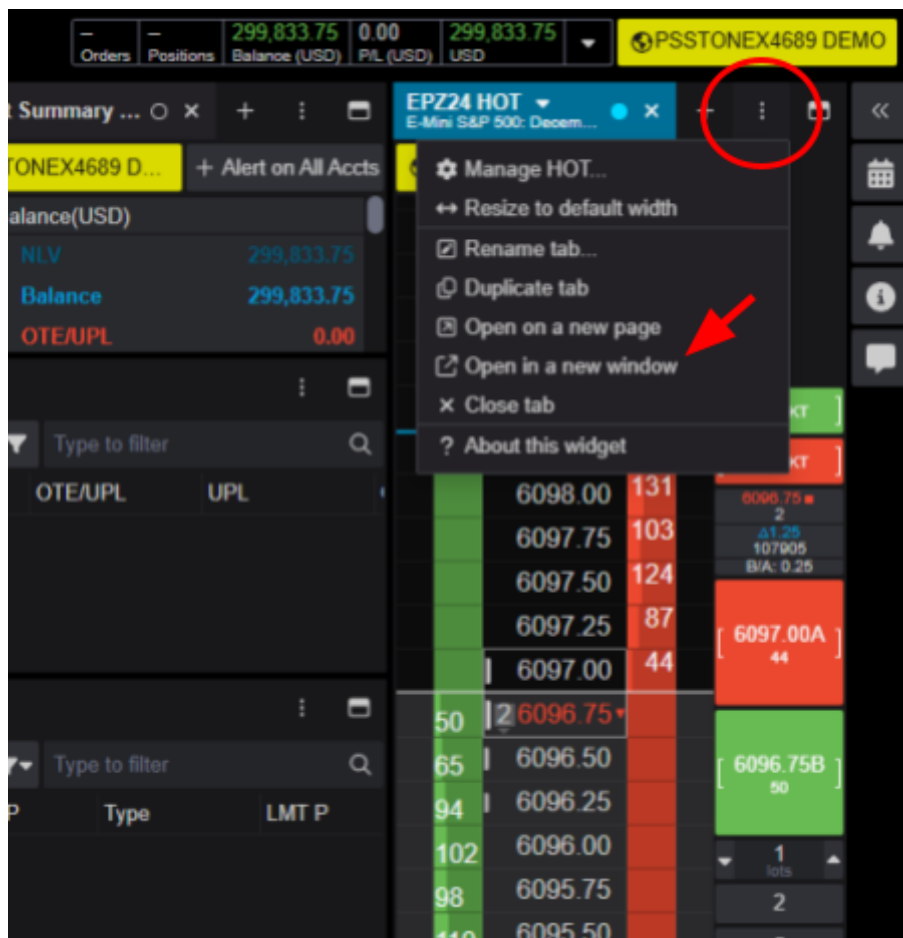
### HOT - Trading ladder

This section is **IMPORTANT**.

It is preferred that the HOT (trading ladder) is 'detached' from the main window so you can have a dedicated window just for HOT. (If your HOT is already detached when you launch the workspace, ignore this section)

To 'detach' the HOT ladder,

1. Click on the 3 dots at the top right corner of HOT, click 'Open in a new window' and a new browser window with only the HOT should appear.



This is how the 'detached' HOT should look like.

Symbol traded for this HOT (in this case this HOT is for MESZ24).

**Linking Windows**

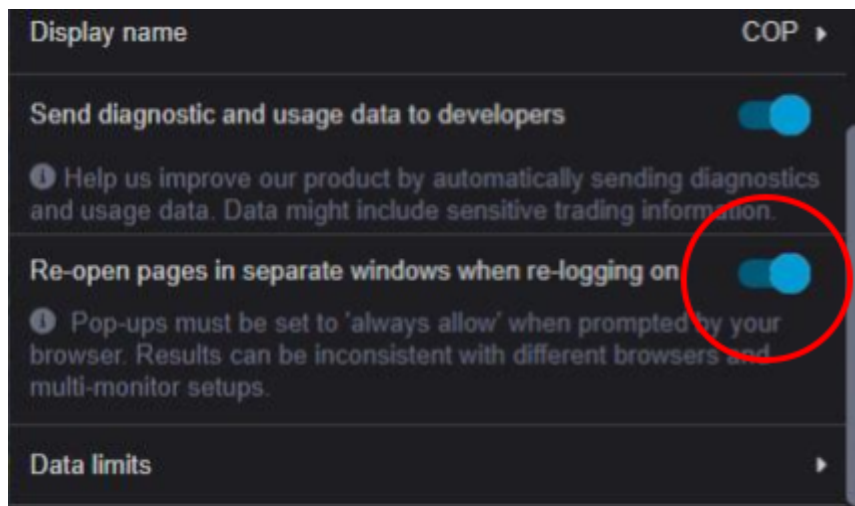
If you want to quickly switch to another symbol's Hot (for e.g EPZ24), simply select the symbol on your 'Indices' window and this ladder will follow accordingly. (Please make sure that the HOT and the Indices windows are **linked**, by checking that each window are tagged with the **same colour** as shown below.

The screenshot shows a trading interface for MESZ24. At the top, it displays 'MESZ24 HOT' and 'Micro E-mini S&P 500: December 2024'. A yellow banner indicates 'PSSTONEX4689 DEMO'. The current position is 'L 1 @ 6096.25' with a profit of '2.50'. The interface includes a price ladder with bid and ask prices and volumes. Annotations with red arrows point to specific features: 'Currently Longed 1 @6096.25, profit for the day is USD2.50' points to the top status bar; 'Your bracket setting. This has to be highlighted for the bracket function to work.' points to the 'TP: 18 SL: 8' indicator; 'Target price @ 6099.50' points to the top of the ladder; 'Entry price, longed @ 6096.25' points to the entry price in the ladder; 'Stoploss @ 6094.25' points to the stop loss price in the ladder; 'Settings/preferences' points to the gear icon at the bottom; 'Centre price on ladder' points to the 'ALL' button; 'Trading Size (contracts)' points to the '1' button; and 'FLATTEN button' points to the 'FLAT' button.

Price	Volume
6099.50	203
6099.25	196
6099.00	203
6098.75	177
6098.50	193
6098.25	208
6098.00	197
6097.75	184
6097.50	190
6097.25	134
6097.00	118
6096.50	140
6096.25	152
6096.00	184
6095.75	201
6095.50	167
6095.25	153
6095.00	165
6094.75	138
6094.50	155
6094.25	133
6094.00	158
6093.75	174
6093.50	158
6093.25	118
6093.00	371

Note: Every time when you log into CQG, you SHOULD get the main trading workspace, and CQG should remember that you have a detached HOT and load it. If that doesn't work for you, make sure the 2 followings are done.

- You MUST disable pop up blocker on your browser.
- The following settings must be set. HOT settings > Confirmations and Notifications (scroll to bottom), toggle the setting circled in red to the ON position.

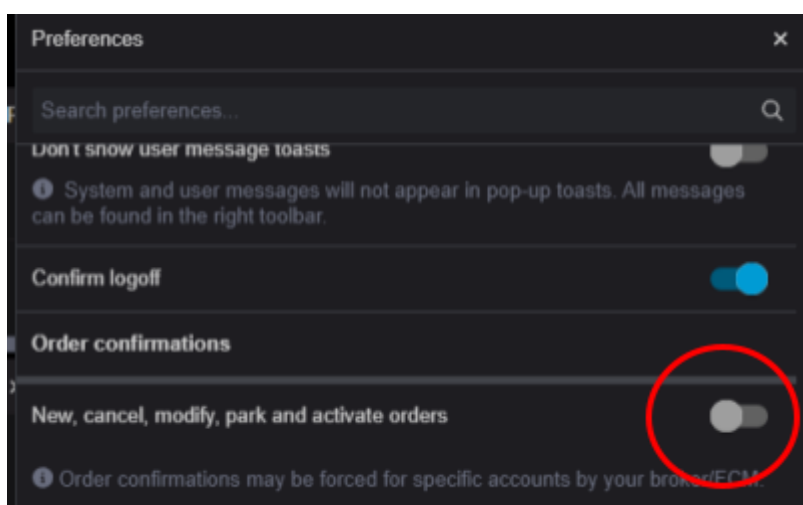


(\*if all else fails, you will need to open HOT in a new window every time you trade)

### Other settings

#### Deactivate Trade Confirmation Windows

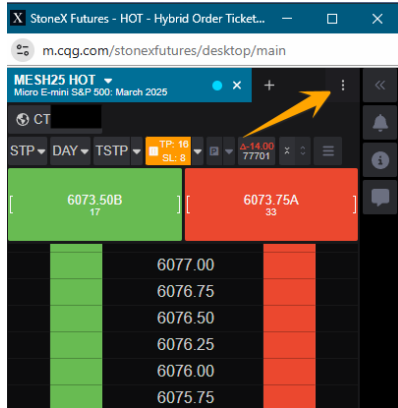
When you load COP workspace, all setting should already be done for you already. In the event that you want to switch off any kind of trade confirmations etc, it is under Preferences>Order Confirmation> (New, cancel ..... Activate orders) > toggle to the OFF position.



At the time of writing this guide, it was told that on DEMO, confirmations for cancel all and flatten all cannot be turned off but it will be, during LIVE.

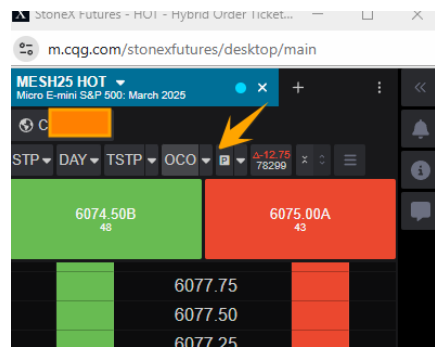
### Changing the locations of the Order buttons on HOT

If your order buttons are not at the top of the HOT, you can change it via the HOT settings page.

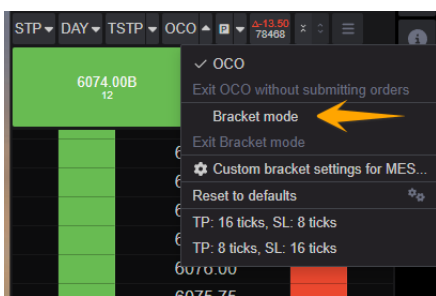


Click on the HOT settings > Manage HOT > scroll down to LAYOUT> Select Top/Bottom

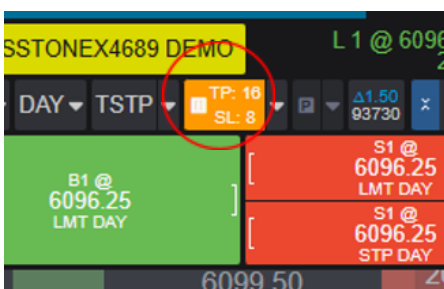
### If you do not see your bracket order function



Click on the arrow beside OCO



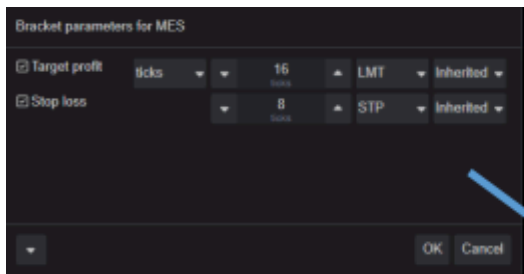
Select Bracket mode



Click on the Bracket button to highlight it. Now bracket function is activated.

**Using CQG HOT to execute trades.**

To take a long trade with a limit order (Buy) on the last done price,

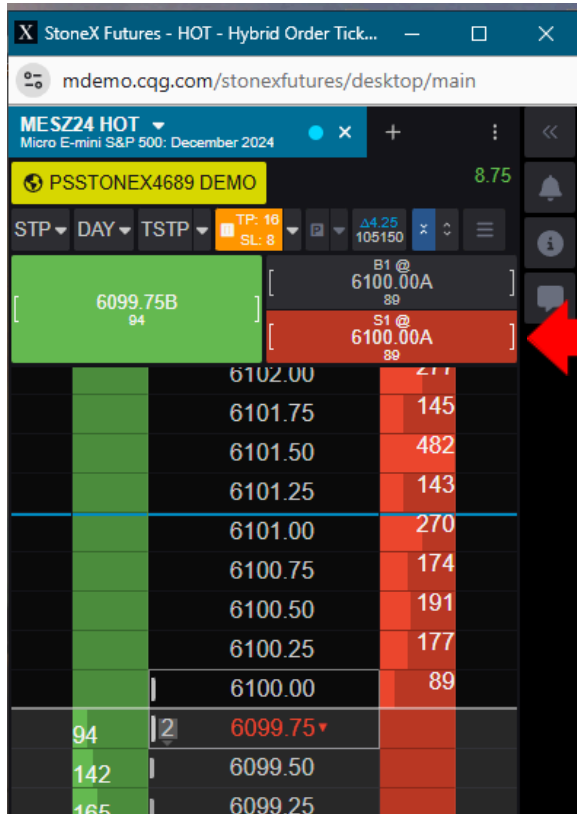


**Configuring your bracket settings.**  
 This is where you set your bracket. When it is **highlighted** as shown, bracket function is turned on and when any order is filled, bracket orders will also be sent out. You can configure your bracket by clicking on the circled icon > custom bracket settings for EP

Go to the **GREEN** side, click **B1** **xxxxx.xx** to enter a buy order at the last done price with a Limit order.  
 In this example, 1 long LIMIT order at 6099.25 will be sent and once it gets filled, you will be in a **LONG** position with 1 contract at 6099.25.  
 A set of brackets will be placed with target 16 ticks away from your filled price and stop loss 8 ticks away from your filled price. Please configure your brackets accordingly based on your risk management rules.



To take a short trade (Sell) on the last done price, it is the opposite of the Long example.



Go to the **RED** side, click **S1 @ 6100.00A** to enter a sell order at the last done price with a Limit order.

In this example, 1 short LIMIT order at 6099.75 will be sent and once it gets filled, you will be in a **SHORT** position with 1 contract at 6099.75.

In this example, a set of brackets will be placed with target 10 ticks away from your filled price and stop loss 8 ticks away from your filled price. Please configure your brackets accordingly based on your risk management rules.

**Queuing to Long (Buy) at a certain price (instead of last done)**

If you want to buy at a specific price instead of just buying at what the market is trading at the moment,

In this example, market is trading at 6049.75 but I want to buy at 6048.00 which is lower. To place a queue order at 6048.00 for it to be filled only if market retraces, you will

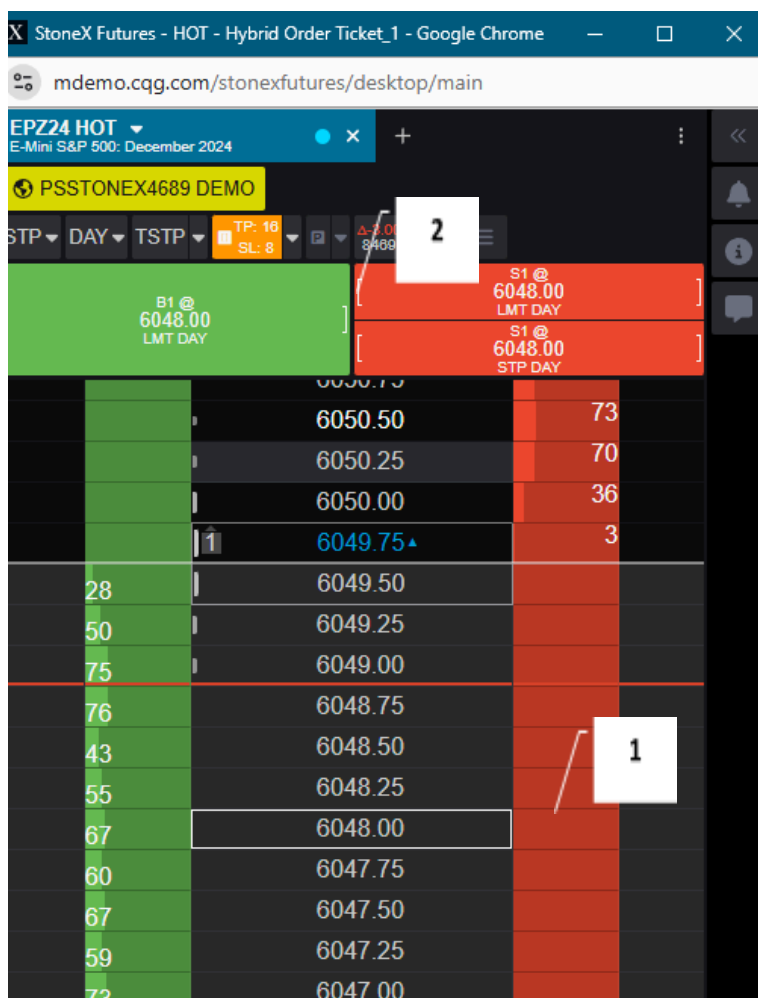
- 1> Click on 6048.00 to highlight it
- 2> Click on B1@6048.00 to send a buy Queue order.

When market moves to 6048.00 your order will be filled and the bracket will be placed.

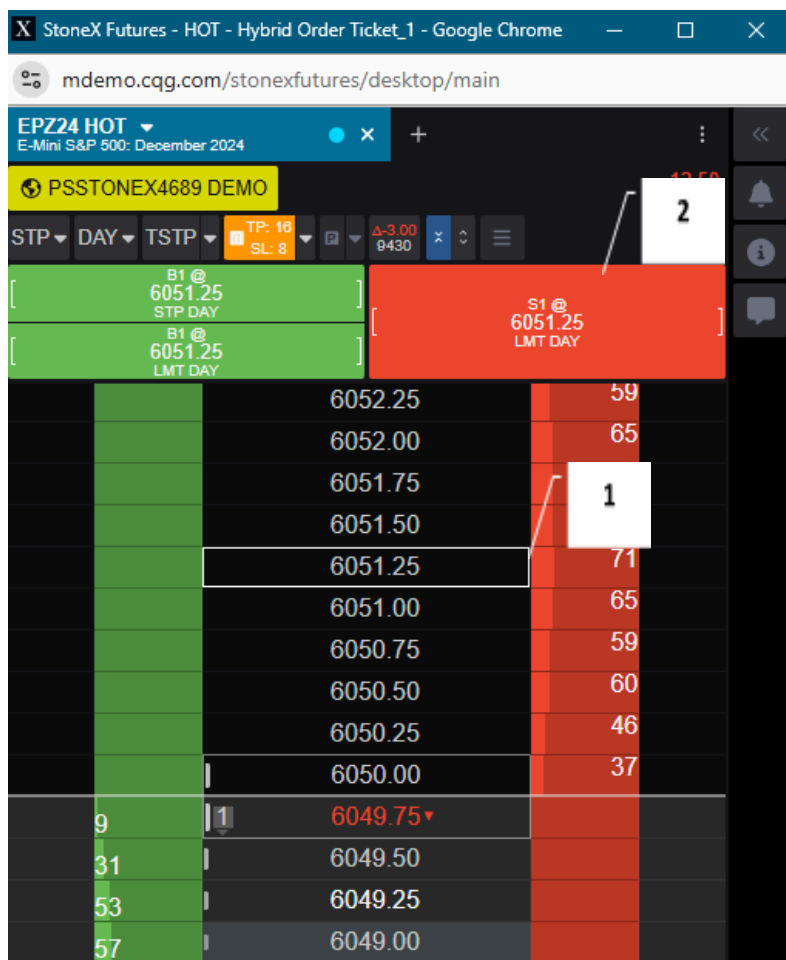
If you want to cancel this order before it gets filled, click on the '(x) All' icon at the bottom of the ladder. If you want to close the position AFTER the order is filled, you will click on the '(-) Flat' button at the bottom of the ladder.

To remove the Queued Price, click on 6048.00 again and the box will not be highlighted anymore. This would clear the queue price from the ladder.

Note: We should ALWAYS use LMT orders to enter a trade.



If you want to sell at a specific price instead of just selling at what the market is trading at the moment,



In this example, market is trading at 6049.75 but I want to sell at 6051.25 which is higher. To place a queue order at 6051.25 for it to be filled only if market goes up, you will

- 1> Click on 6051.25 to highlight it
- 2> Click on S1@6051.25 to send a sell Queue order.

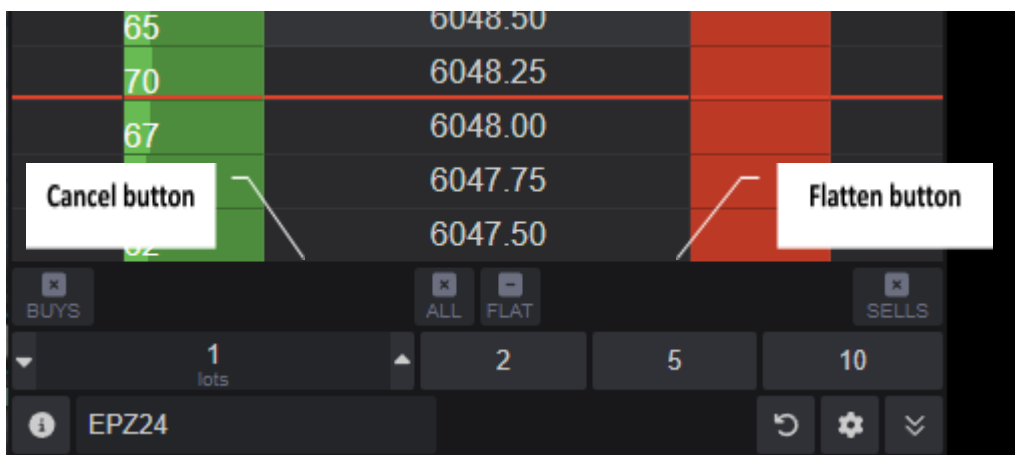
When market moves to 6051.25 your order will be filled and the bracket will be placed.

If you want to cancel this order before it gets filled, click on the '(X) All' icon at the bottom of the ladder. If you want to close the position AFTER the order is filled, you will click on the '(-) Flat' button at the bottom of the ladder.

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### Canceling orders and Flattening positions

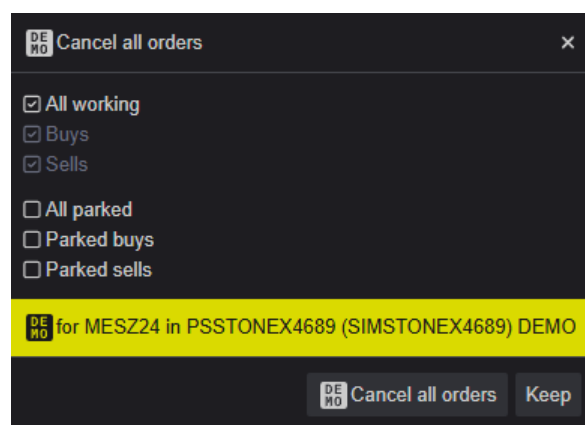
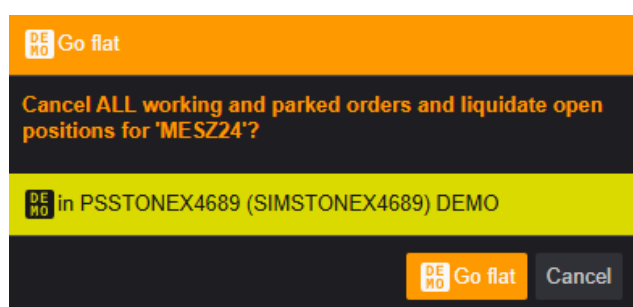


**Flat:** Flat button is for you to get out of any position. If you are in a position already (orders already filled with bracket in place), and you want to liquidate your position, use the FLAT button.

**Cancel:** You use the Cancel button to cancel any orders that is not filled. For example, you queued for a trade and the market is moving away, not filling your order at your desired price. You will use the cancel button to cancel that order.

(Note: Another method to cancel an order, is to right click on the pending order marker (green or red dot) that appears on the row of the price that you wanted to enter at.)

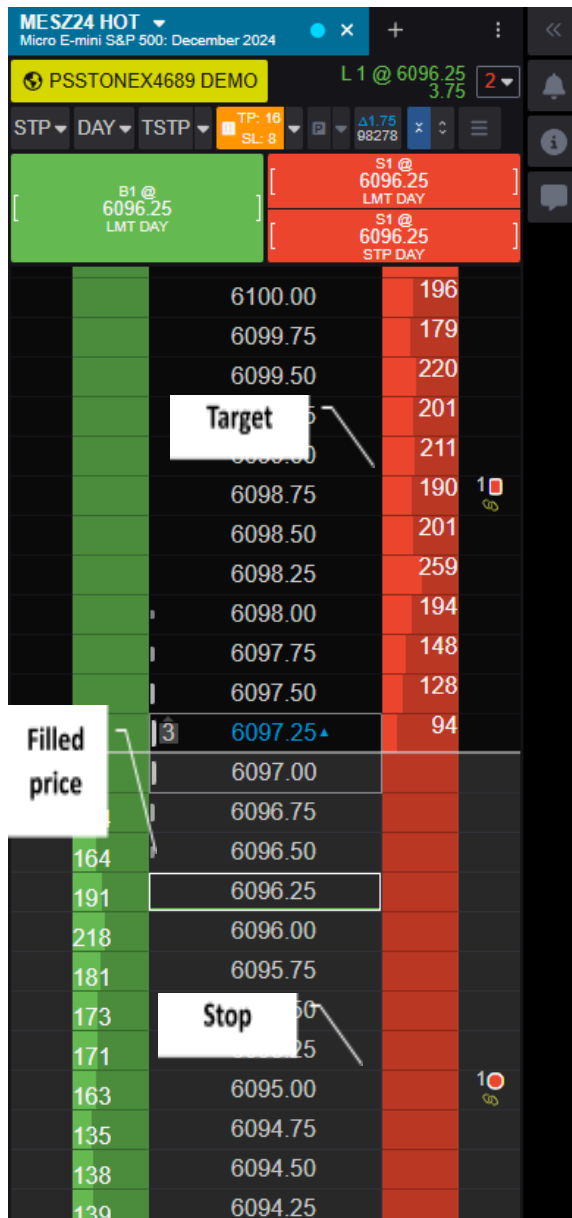
**DO NOT USE CANCEL BUTTON WHEN YOU ARE IN A TRADE AS IT WILL REMOVE YOUR BRACKET ORDERS, LEAVING YOU EXPOSED WITH NO EXIT SAFEGUARDS.** In the event you accidentally did that, you should use the Flatten button to get your out of the trade when price hits your supposed target or stoploss price.



Note: If a pop up appears to confirm your action, acknowledge that action to execute. (It appears that such confirmation only appears in DEMO mode)

**Manipulating your stoplosses and target levels**

The way to move your stoploss and target levels after your bracket has been placed, is to drag and drop the stoploss/target to the desired level.



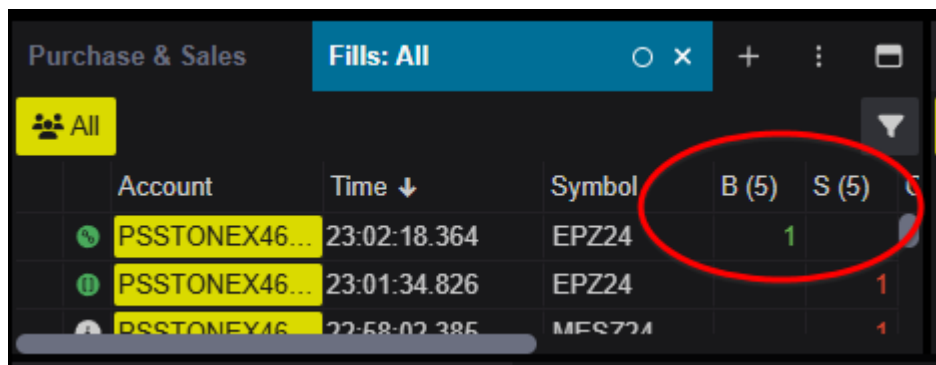
In this example, there is Long position @6096.25 with brackets in place. The target is 6098.75 and stoploss is 6095.00.

If you want to move the target or the stoploss to another price level, click on the red square or circle, hold down the left cursor, drag it to the desired price level and drop.

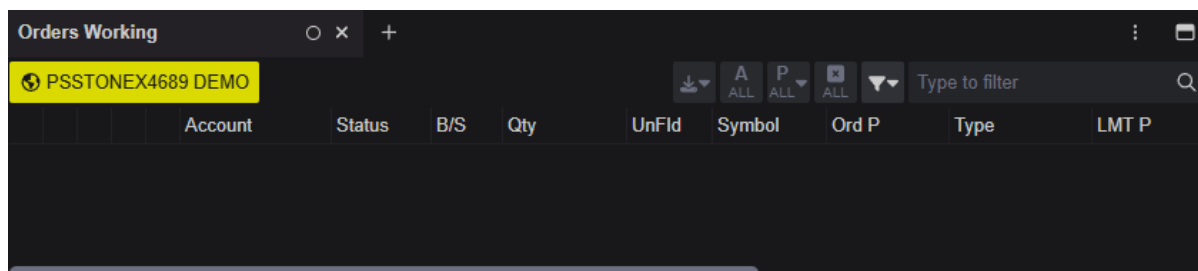
The steps are the same if it is a short trade, but the target and stoploss indicators will be in green.

**End of trading day pre-log off checks**

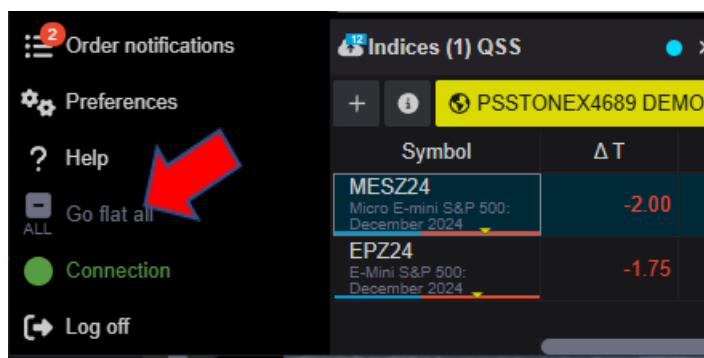
You want to make sure that there is no pending orders or unclosed positions before you close for the day. Before you log off, make sure of the followings.



The number of B and S should tally. It means that for every buy order, it is paired with a sell. When they are paired, there will not be any open positions. You can use the '- Flat' button on HOT to flatten any unwanted positions first and investigation can follow after on why that happened.



At the Orders Working order window, it should be blank. This means there is no pending order that is waiting to be filled. For CQG, all orders are parked on server and if you have any pending unfilled order, it will still be filled after you logged off. If you find any entry here, go to your HOT and click on the 'X All' button to cancel these orders.

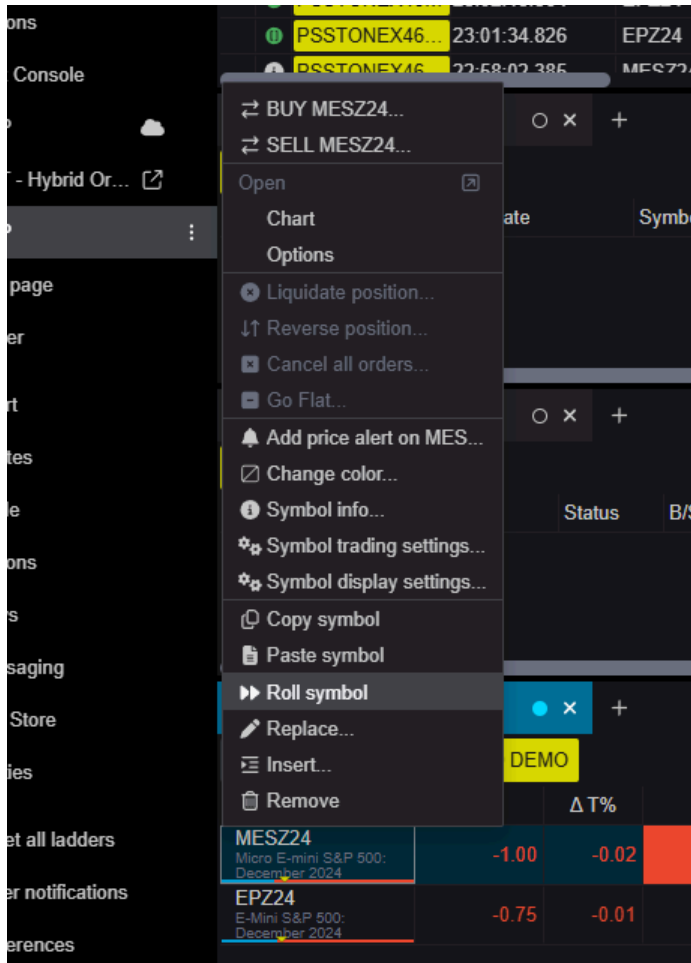


When everything has been checked, you can click Log off to close the session safely.

**Note:** In case you have a position that you want to quickly flatten, there is a 'Go Flat All' button above the Log off button too.

## Rollover

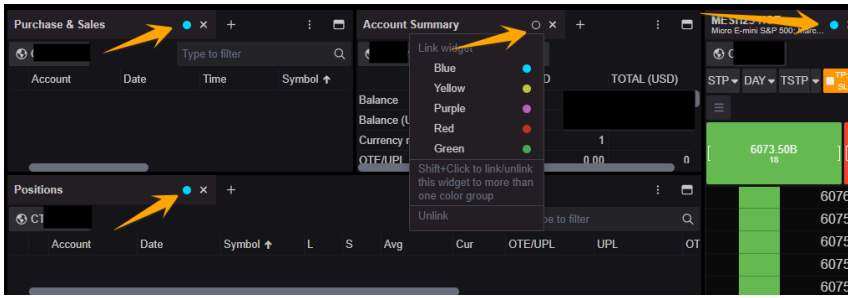
To perform a contract rollover,



Click on the symbol at the 'Indices' section, right click and select 'Roll symbol'. In this example, MESZ24 will be rolled to MESH25.

As long as your Indices window and HOT window are linked, the symbol on HOT will change accordingly when you rollover your symbols at the Indices window.

## Linking CQG Sections/Windows

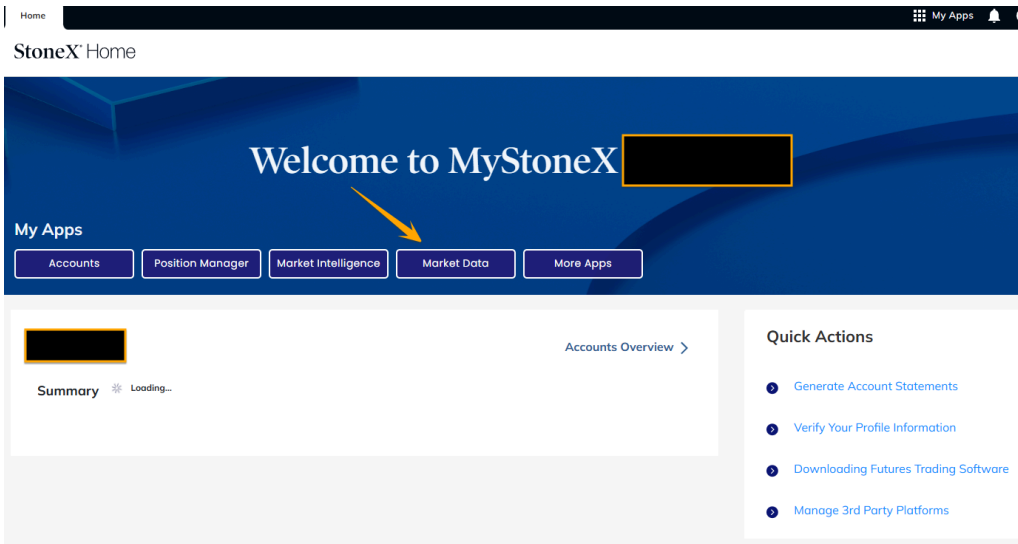


Every section on the CQG has a little circle that can be marked with a different colour. When the same colour is chosen, these windows are 'linked' and any action on any of the linked window will be applied to all.

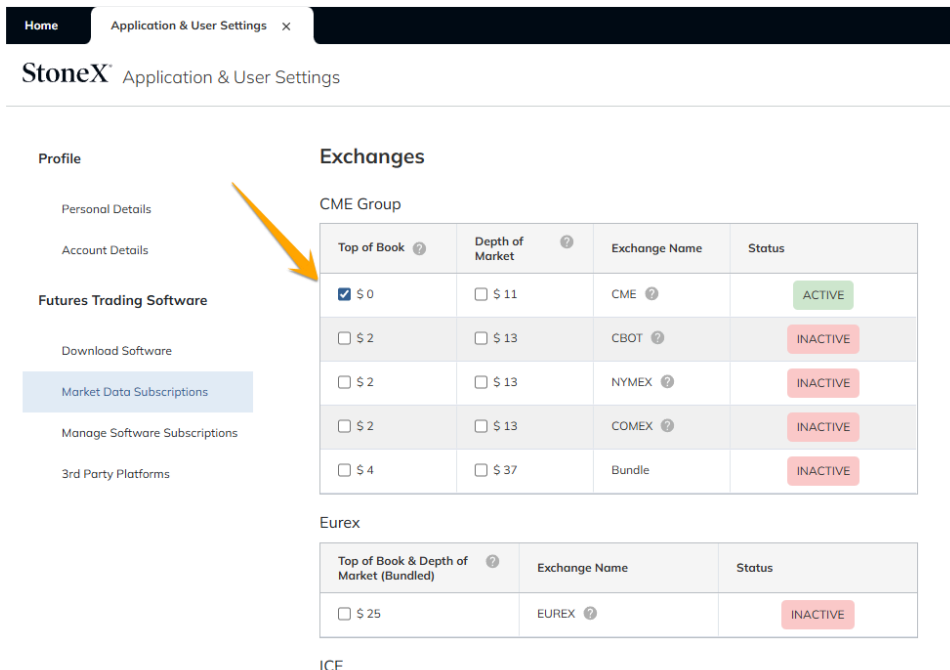
**Subscribing to CME ES Datafeed from StoneX**

You need an active data subscription for the broker to send you market data. To do this, make sure you already have a funded account.

1. Log into your account portal via <https://my.stonex.com>



2. Click 'Market Data', then click 'Accept' to the Market Data Terms.
3. Check the box under CME group, Top of Book under CME (Exchange Name).



4. You may log out after that. Once you have done this, you have subscribed to CME ES data and your VXCharts and CQG Desktop will be able to receive data.

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