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ICT HTF Candles Pro

The complete user guide — up to six higher-timeframe candles on the chart you execute from, with live close countdowns, Fair Value Gaps and Volume Imbalances marked where they form.

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How to read this guide

Sections 1–7 explain what you see on the chart and why. Section 8 is a full reference for every setting. Keep it open beside a chart on your instrument — each visual mirrors exactly what the indicator draws.

What this indicator does

ICT HTF Candles Pro draws up to six higher-timeframe candles directly onto your working chart — 15-minute, 1-hour, 4-hour, Daily, Weekly and Monthly all at once, if you want them — so you can read the higher-timeframe picture without ever leaving the timeframe you execute on. Around that core it layers the context an ICT trader normally flips between charts to collect: a live countdown to every higher-timeframe close, Fair Value Gaps and Volume Imbalances highlighted inside the HTF candles, and clean labels so you always know which candle belongs to which timeframe.

Six timeframes, one chart

Each of the six slots is configured independently — any Minute, Hour, Day, Week or Month period — and rendered as a scaled candle group beside your price action.

Countdown to every close

A live timer above each group shows exactly how long remains before that higher-timeframe candle closes — because a candle only means what it means once it is complete.

Imbalances, marked

Fair Value Gaps (FVG) and Volume Imbalances (VI) are detected and highlighted inside the higher-timeframe candles — clear visual cues for potential entry and target zones.

Your chart stays yours

Offset, spacing and a buffer keep the HTF column clear of live price, and every body, border and wick colour is yours to change.

Who it's for

Traders who follow ICT and smart-money concepts — where higher-timeframe structure comes before any lower-timeframe entry — and anyone who trades multi-timeframe confluence and is tired of flicking between charts. It works on any instrument NinjaTrader 8 can chart.

Futures (ES, NQ, GC, CL...)

Index CFDs

Stocks

Forex

Execution: 1–15 min

HTF slots: 15 m – Monthly

A note on honesty

Higher-timeframe candles give you context, not signals. An imbalance marks where price moved inefficiently — such zones are *often* revisited, but nothing guarantees it. The indicator organises evidence so you can decide faster and better; the decision stays with you.

Installing it — step by step

Installation is the same for every TraderSuite indicator and takes about two minutes. You need NinjaTrader 8 (64-bit, 8.1 or later) and the `.zip` file from your purchase email or account download page.

- 1 Download the zip — and leave it zipped.** NinjaTrader imports the whole archive; do not extract it first.
- 2 Import into NinjaTrader.** In the Control Center choose **Tools → Import → NinjaScript Add-On...**, browse to the zip and confirm. If an older copy exists, remove it first so NinjaTrader compiles a single clean version.
- 3 Restart NinjaTrader.** A restart after import guarantees the new assembly is loaded.
- 4 Add it to a chart.** Right-click the chart → **Indicators...** → open the **TraderSuite** folder → double-click **TS_ICTHTFCandlesTS**.
- 5 Enter your licence key.** In the indicator's settings find the **0A. License** group and paste the key from your purchase email. Leave it empty to start an automatic 7-day trial.
- 6 Click OK and check the panel.** The branding panel's **License** line should read **✓ LICENSED**, **MEMBER** or **TRIAL**. Section 09 explains every state.

Requirements

NinjaTrader 8 (8.1+, 64-bit) · a data feed for your instrument · an internet connection for the first licence validation.

Moving machines?

Deactivate the old machine from your account dashboard first, then activate on the new one. Activations used/allowed are shown live on the panel.

Tip — save it in a template

Once your colours and settings feel right, right-click the chart → **Templates** → **Save as default** so every new chart opens ready to trade.

Anatomy of the chart

Everything the indicator draws, on one screen. Your working chart runs on the left; the higher-timeframe candle groups sit in a column to the right of the current bar, plotted on the same price scale so their highs and lows line up with real levels.



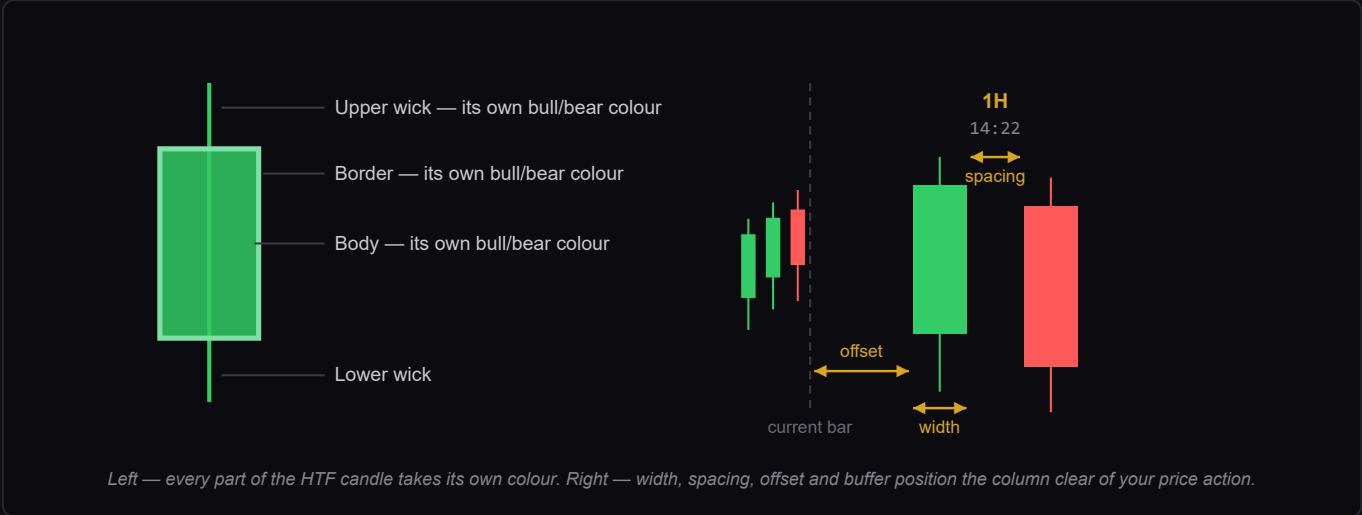
- 1 **Your working chart** — the execution timeframe you actually trade from.
- 2 **HTF candle groups** — one scaled group per configured slot, on the same price scale. Daily candles carry day-of-week labels (TUE, WED...).
- 3 **HTF label** above each group — which timeframe the candles belong to.
- 4 **Live countdown timer** — time remaining until that HTF candle closes.
- 5 **Fair Value Gap** — a gold band marking a 3-candle gap inside the HTF candles.
- 6 **Volume Imbalance** — a cyan band marking a body-to-body gap between HTF candles.
- 7 **Branding panel** — indicator name, licence status and website.

The HTF candle column

Each of the six timeframe slots is configured independently and rendered as a scaled candle group beside price, offset from the current bar so it never obscures your working area. Bodies, borders and wicks are coloured separately for bullish and bearish candles, and the layout controls let you tune width, spacing and the buffer between the price action and the column.

Six independent slots

A slot is one timeframe: any Minute, Hour, Day, Week or Month period. Enable only the slots you actually reference — six is the maximum, not a recommendation. Each group carries its timeframe label above it, and daily candles add a day-of-week tag so you always know which session you are looking at.

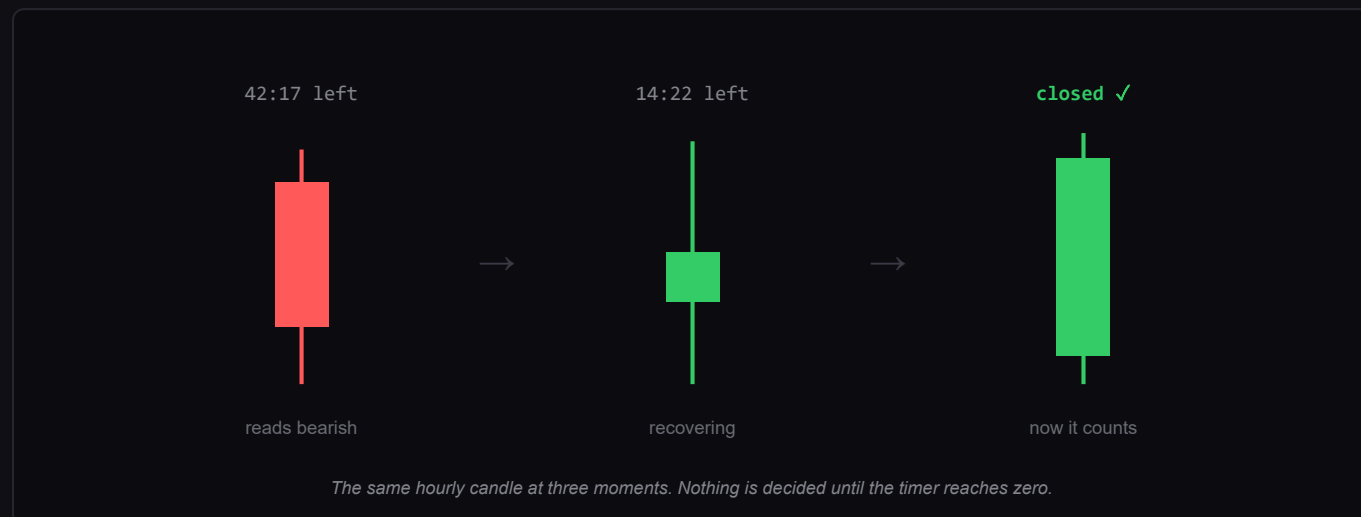


The layout controls

Control	What it changes
Candle Width	How wide each HTF candle body is drawn. Set it for legibility at your usual chart zoom.
Candle Spacing	The gap between candles inside the column.
Candle Offset	How far to the right of the current bar the column starts.
Buffer	Extra clearance between your price action and the HTF column, so the two never overlap.

Countdown timers & candle closes

A live timer above each candle group shows exactly how long remains before the current higher-timeframe candle closes. That matters because **a candle only means what it means once it is complete** — an unfinished hourly or daily candle can still change character entirely before the close.



Worked example — waiting out the timer

You execute on a five-minute chart. The hourly candle in the column is bullish but only two-thirds formed, with fourteen minutes on the timer. Rather than taking a short into an unfinished bullish hourly, you wait. The hourly closes strong, the daily slot is also bullish, and the next five-minute pullback becomes a with-trend entry instead of a fade. A hypothetical illustration of the mechanics — not a promise of results.

Why closes matter

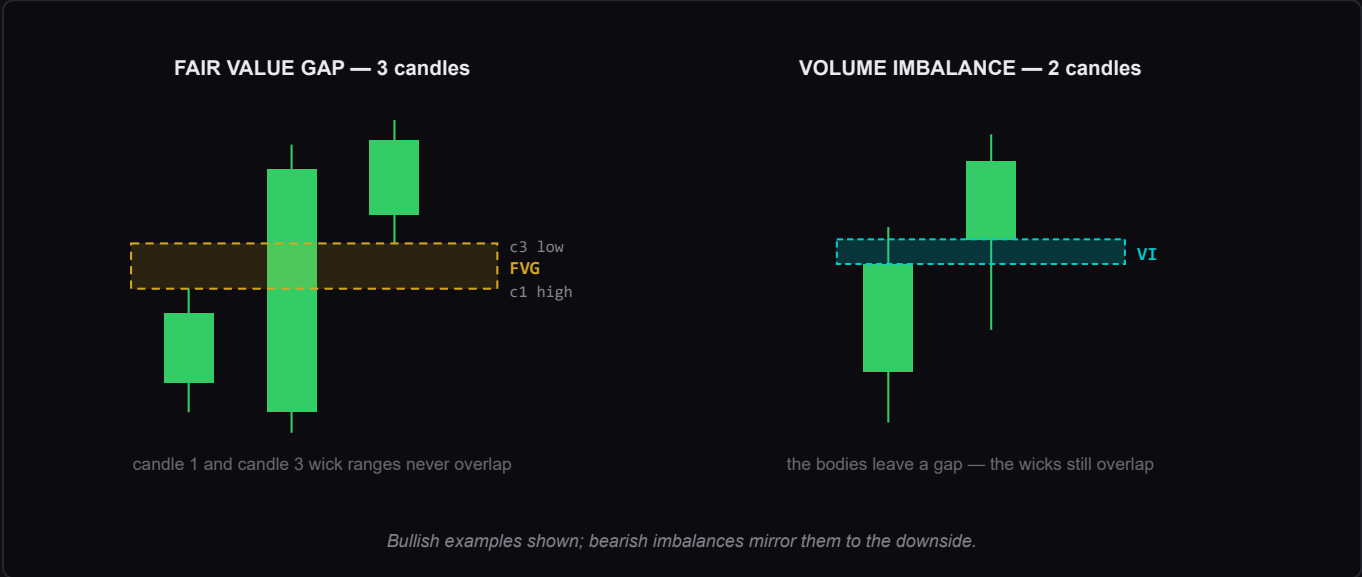
Wicks get filled, bodies get rewritten. Judging an HTF candle before its close means judging a sentence before it is finished — the timer tells you how long the market still has to change its mind.

Timers, practically

Enable the timer if you trade off higher-timeframe closes. It runs in real time, so it needs a live (or simulated) data connection — on a disconnected chart there is no close to count down to.

Fair Value Gaps & Volume Imbalances

An imbalance is a footprint of speed: price moved so fast in one direction that the other side barely traded, leaving a gap in the record. The indicator automatically detects two classic ICT imbalances **inside the higher-timeframe candles** and highlights them, so potential entry and target zones are visible from your execution chart.



Marking	It forms when...	How traders commonly read it
FVG	A strong middle candle leaves a gap between candle 1's high and candle 3's low (or the mirror, going down).	An inefficiency price often returns to — a candidate entry zone on retrace, or a target when it sits ahead of price.
VI	Two consecutive bodies leave a gap between close and open even though the wicks overlap.	A milder inefficiency; a reference level price frequently revisits.

Often, not always

Imbalance zones frequently get revisited — that is why they make useful targets — but some never fill. Treat a highlighted gap as evidence to weigh, never as a promise that price must return.

Choosing your timeframes

Every slot accepts any Minute, Hour, Day, Week or Month period — but the best columns are the smallest ones. **Fewer timeframes read better: two or three well-chosen slots beat six.** Configure only the timeframes you actually reference in your plan, and switch the rest off.

MIN

e.g. a 15m slot

HOURL

e.g. 1H · 4H slots

DAY

Daily slot

WEEK

Weekly slot

MONTH

Monthly slot

The five period types every slot accepts.

Example stacks

Trading style	Execution chart	Suggested slots
Scalping	1–5 minute	15m · 1H · 4H
Intraday	5–15 minute	1H · 4H · Daily
Swing	1 hour	Daily · Weekly · Monthly

Illustrative combinations, not rules — the right stack is the one your own plan already uses.

Bias up top, timing below

Use the column for bias and your working timeframe for timing. The HTF candles tell you which way the tide runs; your execution chart tells you when to step in.

Keep it clear of price

Position the offset and buffer so the column never covers live price, and size candle width for legibility at your usual zoom. A column you have to squint at is a column you will ignore.

Settings reference

Every option, grouped as it appears in the NinjaTrader indicator dialog.

0. About & 0A. License

Option	Default	What it does
Website	tradersuite.online	Displayed on the panel. Informational.
Show Logo	On	Show the TraderSuite crest at the top of the panel.
Show Panel	On	Master toggle for the branding panel.
License Key	(empty)	Your key. Leave empty for a 7-day trial. Masked as *** for privacy.

1. Timeframes

Option	Default	What it does
Timeframe 1	15 Minute	First HTF slot. Each slot has an enable toggle plus a period type (Minute / Hour / Day / Week / Month) and value.
Timeframe 2	1 Hour	Second HTF slot.
Timeframe 3	4 Hour	Third HTF slot.
Timeframe 4	1 Day	Fourth HTF slot. Daily candles can carry day-of-week labels.
Timeframe 5	1 Week	Fifth HTF slot.
Timeframe 6	1 Month	Sixth HTF slot. Six is the maximum — disable any slot you don't reference.

2. Layout

Option	Default	What it does
Candle Width	—	Width of each HTF candle body. Set for legibility at your usual zoom.
Candle Spacing	—	Gap between candles inside the HTF column.
Candle Offset	—	How far right of the current bar the column starts.
Buffer	—	Extra clearance between price action and the column.

Display & Colors

3. Display

Option	Default	What it does
Show HTF Labels	On	Timeframe caption (15M, 1H, 4H...) above each candle group.
Show Countdown Timers	On	Live time-to-close readout above each group.
Show Day Of Week Labels	On	MON / TUE / WED... tags on daily candles.
Show Fair Value Gaps	On	Detect and highlight FVGs inside the HTF candles.
Show Volume Imbalances	On	Detect and highlight VIs inside the HTF candles.

4. Colors

Option	Default	What it does
Bull Body Color	Green	Body fill of bullish HTF candles.
Bear Body Color	Red	Body fill of bearish HTF candles.
Bull Border Color	Green	Outline of bullish HTF candle bodies.
Bear Border Color	Red	Outline of bearish HTF candle bodies.
Bull Wick Color	Green	Wick colour of bullish HTF candles.
Bear Wick Color	Red	Wick colour of bearish HTF candles.

Making the column read instantly

Match the HTF bull/bear colours to your chart's own candles so the column reads as one picture, or deliberately contrast them so the higher timeframes pop. Either works — pick one and save it in your chart template.

Brand colour reference

**#D9A621**
Gold — branding & FVG highlights in this guide

**#00CCCC**
Cyan — accents & VI highlights in this guide

**#33CC66**
Green — bullish candles

**#FF5959**
Red — bearish candles

Licensing & activation

The indicator validates once, then caches for 24 hours and keeps working offline within a grace window — so a brief internet drop never interrupts your session.

Getting started

- 1 Add **TS_ICTHTFCandlesTS** to your chart (Indicators dialog → TraderSuite folder).
- 2 Open its settings and find the **0A. License** group.
- 3 Paste your **License Key** — or leave it empty to start an automatic 7-day trial.
- 4 Click OK. The panel's **License** line confirms your status.

License states you may see

Panel shows	Meaning
✓ LICENSED	Valid product licence, activated on this machine.
✓ MEMBER	Active membership licence.
✓ ADMIN	Administrator master key (support / testing).
TRIAL (Xd left)	Free trial, days remaining shown.
OFFLINE MODE	Server unreachable; running on the offline grace period.
✗ message	Attention needed — invalid key, max activations, expired, or internet required.

Activations

A product licence activates on a limited number of machines (shown as **used / max** on the panel). Need to move machines? Deactivate the old one from your account, then activate the new one.

Trading with it — a workflow

A simple, repeatable way to use the tool. This is an educational framework, **not financial advice** — always apply your own plan and risk limits.

- 1 **Set your stack.** Enable only the slots your plan references — two or three well-chosen timeframes beat six.
- 2 **Read the column top-down.** Start at the highest slot and work down. When the higher timeframes agree, you have a directional context; when they conflict, expect chop and size accordingly.
- 3 **Check the timer before you act.** An HTF candle that is still forming can change character entirely. If a close you care about is minutes away, let it print first.
- 4 **Note the imbalances.** FVGs and VIs inside the HTF candles are your reference zones — ahead of price they are potential draws and targets; behind price, potential reaction zones on a retrace.
- 5 **Time the entry on your own chart.** The column gives bias; your working timeframe gives timing. Wait for your execution-timeframe setup to align with the HTF read.
- 6 **Manage into HTF levels.** Use the highlighted imbalances as logical objectives, and reassess the position at each higher-timeframe close.

Confluence is king

The strongest reads come when several slots agree — a bullish daily, a bullish hourly that has actually closed, and an imbalance ahead of price all pointing the same way.

Avoid

Fading a freshly closed HTF candle, treating a forming candle as finished, running all six slots out of habit, or letting the column sit over live price instead of adjusting the offset.

What this indicator is not

Being clear about limits is part of being useful. ICT HTF Candles Pro is an analytical charting tool — here is what it does **not** do, on purpose.

- **It is not a signal service.** It does not tell you when to buy or sell. It shows you the higher-timeframe candles, closes and imbalances; the decision — and the responsibility — stays with you.
- **It does not predict the future.** A bullish hourly close is evidence, not destiny. Imbalance zones are *often* revisited — and sometimes never are.
- **It does not promise profits.** No indicator does. Higher-timeframe context can improve decisions; it cannot guarantee outcomes.
- **It is not an automated strategy.** It places no orders and manages no positions. It draws context on your chart; execution is entirely yours.
- **It is not financial advice.** Everything in this guide is educational. Consult a qualified professional before making investment decisions.

Risk disclosure

Trading futures, foreign exchange and other leveraged products involves substantial risk of loss and is not suitable for every investor. Only trade with capital you can afford to lose. Hypothetical or simulated examples in this guide have inherent limitations and do not represent actual trading.

What it is

A disciplined way to keep the higher-timeframe story — candles, closes, Fair Value Gaps and Volume Imbalances — on the one chart you execute from, so your preparation is faster and your decisions are better informed.

Troubleshooting & FAQ

► I can't see the HTF column

The column is drawn to the right of the current bar. Give the chart more empty space on the right (chart Properties → **Right side margin**), or reduce **Candle Offset** so the column moves closer to price.

► The indicator doesn't appear in the Indicators list

Check the import finished without errors (Tools → Import → NinjaScript Add-On), then restart NinjaTrader. It lives in the **TraderSuite** folder of the Indicators dialog, not the top level.

► Compilation error after import

Delete any older copy of the file first, then re-import so NinjaTrader compiles a single clean version.

► A timeframe slot shows no candles

Check the slot is enabled, and that its period is **higher** than your chart's own timeframe. Building weekly or monthly candles also needs enough history — increase **Days to load** in the chart's Data Series settings.

► No FVGs or VIs are highlighted

Then none exist inside the currently displayed HTF candles. Gaps are the exception, not the rule — an empty imbalance layer is normal, especially on quiet instruments. Check **Show Fair Value Gaps** / **Show Volume Imbalances** are on.

► The countdown seems frozen

The timer runs in real time and needs a live (or simulated) data connection. It follows your instrument's trading hours — outside the session there is no candle forming, so there is nothing to count down.

► The column overlaps my candles

Increase **Candle Offset** and **Buffer** so the column sits clear of price, reduce **Candle Width**, or disable slots you don't use.

► Panel says ✗ Internet required

The first validation of a new key needs a connection. Once validated it caches for 24 h and rides an offline grace period after that.

► Panel says ✗ Max activations reached

Your key is active on its maximum number of machines. Deactivate an old machine from your account dashboard, then activate this one.

Still stuck?

Email completetradersuite@gmail.com with your NinjaTrader version, the indicator version from the panel, and a screenshot. The TraderSuite Team will get you running.

Changelog

What changed in each release. Update through your account download page — import the new zip over the old version (delete the old file if NinjaTrader reports a duplicate).

Version	Notes
v1.0.0	Current build — initial release. Up to six higher-timeframe candle slots with live close countdowns, Fair Value Gap and Volume Imbalance highlighting, HTF and day-of-week labels, full colour and layout customisation, and the TraderSuite branding panel.

Staying current

Licence holders get every update free. The panel shows your installed version; compare it with the version on the product page whenever you like.



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