

Gold Scalping Risk-to-Reward Planner

Gold scalping robots live or die on geometry: how far the stop is from entry versus how far the target is, in a market whose spread and speed change by the hour. This planner turns that geometry into numbers before you let any robot trade.

1. The geometry worksheet (per configuration)

Quantity	Your number
Average target distance (in dollars of gold price)	
Average stop distance (in dollars)	
Stated reward-to-risk (target ÷ stop)	
Win rate needed to break even before costs = stop ÷ (stop + target)	
Your broker's typical spread in your session (in dollars)	
Spread as % of target distance	
Win rate needed after spread = (stop + spread) ÷ (stop + target)	
Estimated slippage per round trip in your session	

2. Reading the result

- ☐ If the after-cost break-even win rate is above ~65%, the configuration needs near-perfection to survive. Change geometry (wider targets, tighter honest stops) or change sessions — do not just hope.
- ☐ A reward-to-risk below 1 is not automatically bad, but it purchases its wins with occasional full stops; size so three consecutive stops are an ordinary week, not an emergency.
- ☐ Compute the same table for the US data-release hour and for the rollover. If the robot trades those windows, those are its real numbers.

3. Session plan

- ☐ Mark the sessions the robot may trade, in broker server time, on this sheet. Compare against gold's habits: Asian drift, London range-building, US data explosions.
- ☐ Write the spread ceiling (in dollars) at which the robot must stand aside, and confirm the setting exists in the EA.
- ☐ Decide the data-release rule before the month starts: off, reduced size, or normal — and never improvise it on the day.

The planner rule: on gold, reward-to-risk is not a property of the robot; it is a property of the robot in a session at a spread. Plan the combination, not the brochure.

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