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CycleTrends Daily 6

User Manual

Welcome to the User Manual for version **6** of *CycleTrends Daily*. This manual will cover the **features and basic usage** of the application. Instructions and/or training on using the application for effectively trading financial markets will **not** be covered in this manual.

At its core, *CycleTrends Daily* is a charting application that requires an end-of-day financial market database and a separate subscription to a daily data update provided by a data provider via the internet. Cycle Trends currently supports end-of-day ASCII (text format) data provided by **Sharenet** (www.sharenet.co.za) or alternatively any data provider that provides data in the MetaStock Local Database format.

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DOWNLOADING AND INSTALLING THE CYCLETRENDS MANAGER

By now you should have received your CycleTrends license email. This email contains the details needed to Download and Install the CycleTrends Manager and CycleTrends Daily.

Located in your email is the [download link](#) for the **CycleTrends Manager** and your unique username and password for signing into the Manager application. There is also an 'Alternate download link' which will be explained further on.

Before installing CycleTrends Daily, please ensure that you have a Sharenet DN or MetaStock format End-of-Day market database installed and that you are subscribed to a daily data update service. CycleTrends Daily requires up-to-date daily market data to operate.

If required, you can [sign up](#) for the Sharenet End-of-Day database and Daily Download Service by visiting the link provided in your license email.

If required, please [Click Here](#) to subscribe to the **Sharenet Daily Download** service.

Once you have your End-of-Day database installed you will be ready to install CycleTrends Daily. Locate the link in your license email to download the CycleTrends Manager:

[CLICK HERE to download and install the Cycle Trends Manager application](#)

The **Cycle Trends Manager** will ask for your **Cycle Trends Username and Password** to retrieve your license and install your product. Please **sign in** with the following:

Username:

Password:

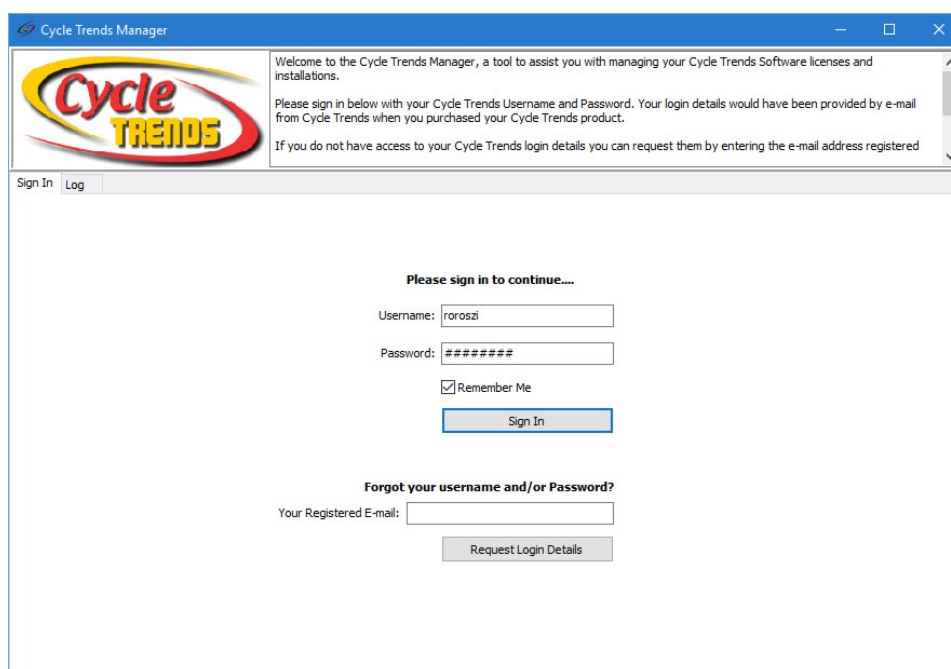
Image for illustration purposes only

Click on the link to start the download of the setup file. If asked to "run" or "save" the download please select "run" and if you receive any security alerts it is fine to continue as you can trust our software. You may need to select "OK", "Yes" or "Run" to continue with the installation.

After the download has completed the application setup wizard will start. Simply click the "Next" button to install and run the CycleTrends Manager. Follow the setup wizard prompts to complete the installation.

VALIDATING YOUR CYCLETRENDS LICENSE AND INSTALLING CYCLETRENDS DAILY

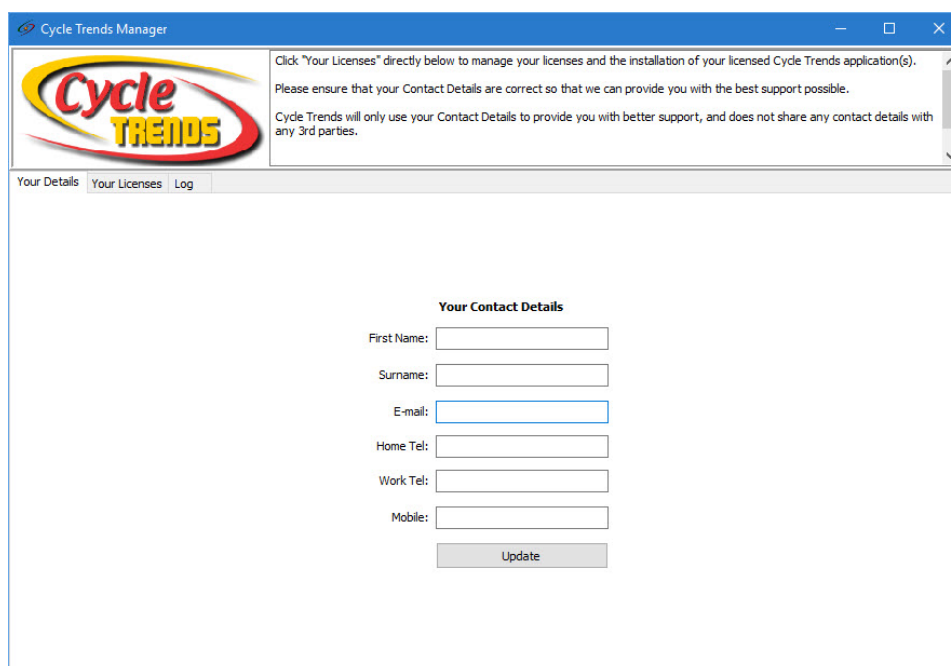
Once the manager is successfully installed you will see the home screen:



The screenshot shows the 'Cycle Trends Manager' application window. The title bar says 'Cycle Trends Manager'. The main content area has a 'Sign In' tab selected. A welcome message reads: 'Welcome to the Cycle Trends Manager, a tool to assist you with managing your Cycle Trends Software licenses and installations. Please sign in below with your Cycle Trends Username and Password. Your login details would have been provided by e-mail from Cycle Trends when you purchased your Cycle Trends product. If you do not have access to your Cycle Trends login details you can request them by entering the e-mail address registered'. Below this, there is a 'Please sign in to continue....' section with fields for 'Username' (containing 'roroszi') and 'Password' (containing '#####'). There is a 'Remember Me' checkbox which is checked, and a 'Sign In' button. Below that is a 'Forgot your username and/or Password?' section with a 'Your Registered E-mail:' field and a 'Request Login Details' button.

Enter your CycleTrends Username and Password located in your CycleTrends license email in the fields provided. Click on the 'Sign In' button to continue.

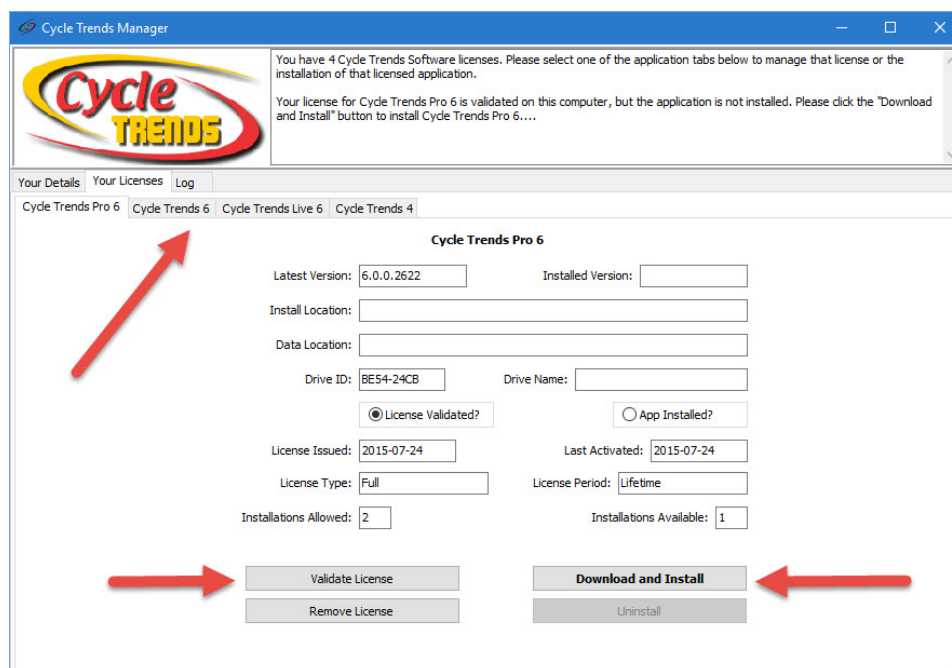
Once you have signed in you will be taken to the following screen:



The screenshot shows the 'Cycle Trends Manager' application window with the 'Your Details' tab selected. The main content area has a section titled 'Your Contact Details' with the following text: 'Click "Your Licenses" directly below to manage your licenses and the installation of your licensed Cycle Trends application(s). Please ensure that your Contact Details are correct so that we can provide you with the best support possible. Cycle Trends will only use your Contact Details to provide you with better support, and does not share any contact details with any 3rd parties.' Below this text are input fields for 'First Name', 'Surname', 'E-mail', 'Home Tel', 'Work Tel', and 'Mobile'. An 'Update' button is located at the bottom of the form.

Here you can fill in your personal details – for support purposes – and update them if any of your details change.

You will also see 2 other tabs – '**Your Licenses**' and '**Log**'. To continue with your installation click on the '**Your Licenses**' tab.

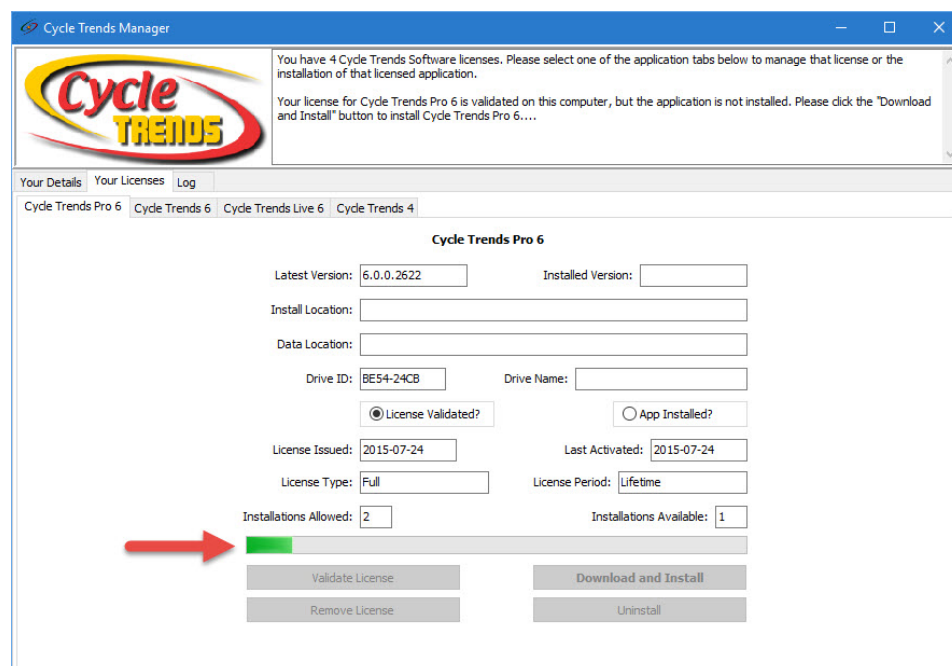


If you have more than one CycleTrends license, please select the **'CycleTrends Daily 6'** tab to continue.

Here you will find all the information on your CycleTrends license, including the latest version, number of installations available etc.

Your license needs to be Validated before installing CycleTrends Daily. Please click the **'Validate License'** button to do so.

Once your license is validated, click the **'Download and Install'** button to continue. You will see a progress bar while it downloads the CycleTrends setup program. Once the bar is finished it will launch the CycleTrends Setup Wizard.



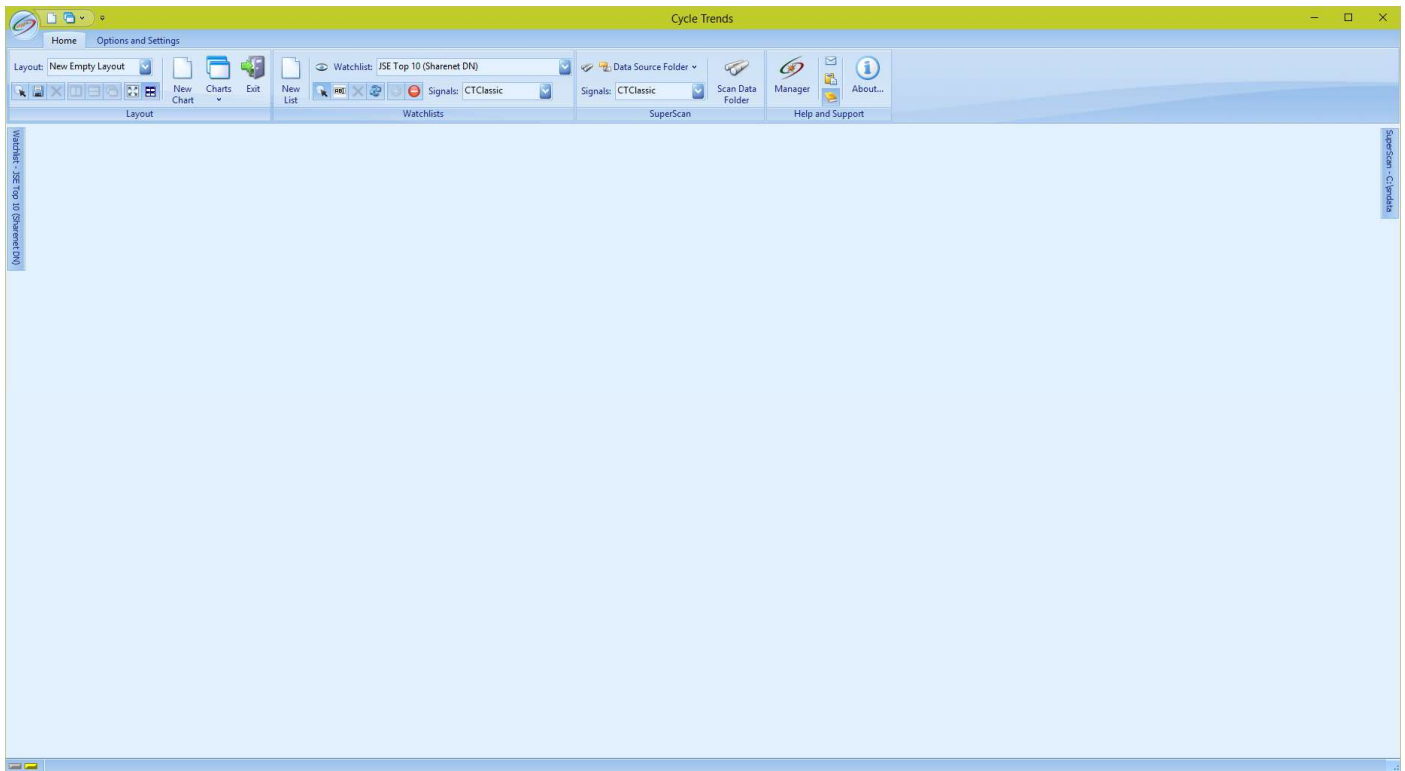
As before follow the setup wizard prompts to complete the installation.

Once the installation is complete you will be asked to select your Data Source. Tick the box next to Sharenet and/or MetaStock (depending on which Data Source(s) you will be using). Then click the **'Next'** button and then the **'Finish'** button.

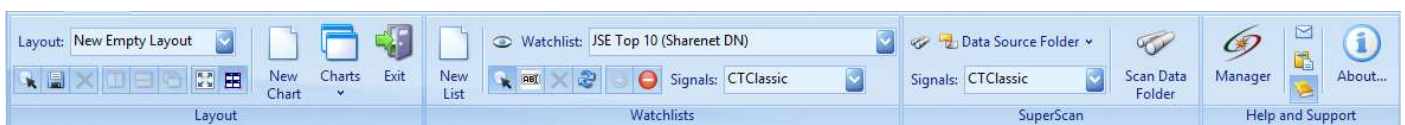
Your CycleTrends installation is now complete!

LAUNCHING CYCLETRENDS DAILY

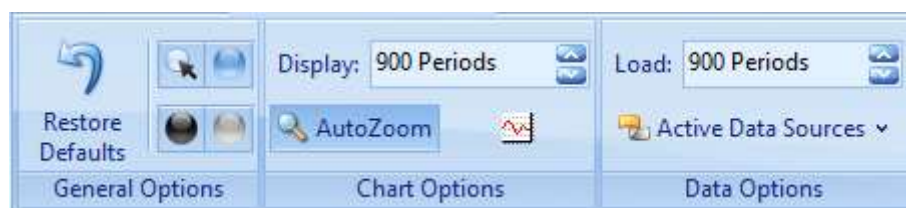
Below the workspace is a **status bar** containing status indicators and messages, and on the left and right edges of the workspace are the **Watchlist** and **SuperScan** slide-out panels. These panels slide out from the edges when you hover over their title bars, and can also be pinned open if required.



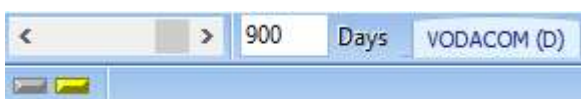
Each toolbar contained on a tab of the ribbon bar has a descriptive name below the toolbar. The **Home** tab contains the **Layout** toolbar, the **Watchlists** toolbar, the **SuperScan** toolbar, and the **Help and Support** toolbar.



The **Options and Settings** tab contains multiple toolbars for changing application options and settings. You would have already set some of these in the “startup wizard” and should not normally need to change any of the others from their recommended defaults, so we will cover these toolbars later in the manual.



The Status Bar at the bottom of the workspace will display the status of your Data Source(s) and any other relevant status messages. Each supported Data Source (e.g. Sharenet DN Database) has a status indicator that will be lit green, yellow, or red if activated – or will be unlit (grey) if not activated. Green indicates that Cycle Trends is busy reading your database and yellow indicates that



Cycle Trends can connect to your database but is currently idle. **Red** would indicate that there is an error or problem with the Data Source (e.g. missing or corrupt database).

A green or yellow indicator means that Cycle Trends can access the data provided by your data provider and display charts of any market instruments available with your specific data subscription.

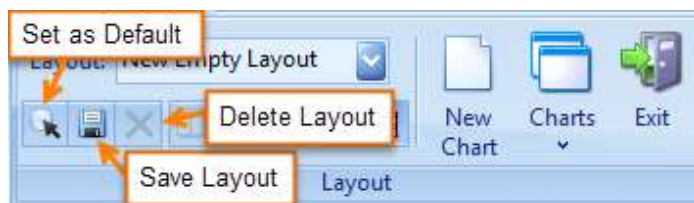
THE CYCLETRENDS WORKSPACE

The **Layout** toolbar on the **Home** tab is used to control the layout of chart windows within the main workspace. There are two automatic chart layout options (AutoTile or AutoMax), or you can manually arrange charts within the workspace (Tile Vertically, Tile Horizontally, or Cascade) if no automatic option is selected.



CHART LAYOUTS

To create a **Chart Layout** open up the charts you would like to use and in the intervals you need, customize the charts if required, and then click the **Save Layout** button. If you would like to make that layout the Default click on the **Set as Default** button. This layout will then be automatically opened every time you start up CycleTrends.

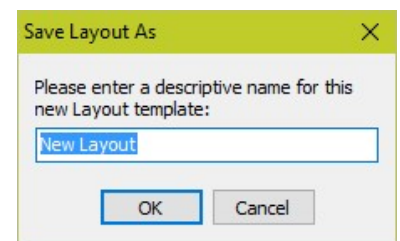


Changes to the currently opened Layout are automatically recorded and, in the event of any unexpected termination, can be restored the next time CycleTrends is started.

You can save any changes you make to your templates either by saving them with the same name or by creating a new

layout with a new name.

Selecting **AutoTile** (the default layout option) will automatically tile all chart windows as you open and close them, so as to always fill the entire workspace but have all charts visible at once. The main drawback to tiling chart windows is that less screen space is available for each chart as you open more charts, so try to limit the number of tiled charts open at one time.



Selecting **AutoMax** will automatically maximize every chart window so that each chart uses the entire workspace, with multiple charts totally overlapping each other. This may be a better option if you do not need to compare charts side-by-side, or if you want to temporarily have each open chart maximized for a better view.

You can switch between open charts (bringing another chart to the front) with the **chart tabs** below the workspace and just above the status bar, or by selecting a chart from the drop-down list displayed when pressing the **Charts** button on the **Layout** toolbar.

You can also switch between **AutoTile** and **AutoMax** at any time. Any open charts will automatically re-arrange depending on the mode currently selected.



Alternatively, you can deselect both "Auto" options and manually arrange any open charts. Chart windows will then keep their current size and position until you manually tile or cascade them using the three layout buttons to the left of the "Auto" buttons, which will then be enabled.

The **New Chart** button will open a new empty chart window within the workspace.

CYCLETRENDS CHARTS

When you press the **New Chart** button on the **Layout** toolbar, an empty chart window will open in the workspace, and the **Chart** tab will be automatically selected or opened on the main ribbon bar.

The **Chart** tab contains toolbars for working with the currently active chart window - such as the Data Source and Symbol, Data Interval, Chart Style, Chart Tools, and Chart Templates.



An empty “New” chart will use the default settings for Data Source, Chart Style, and Chart Template – unless you change any of these before selecting a market instrument. The first toolbar on the **Chart** tab will display the name of the currently selected (or default) Data Source (e.g. Sharenet DN Database).

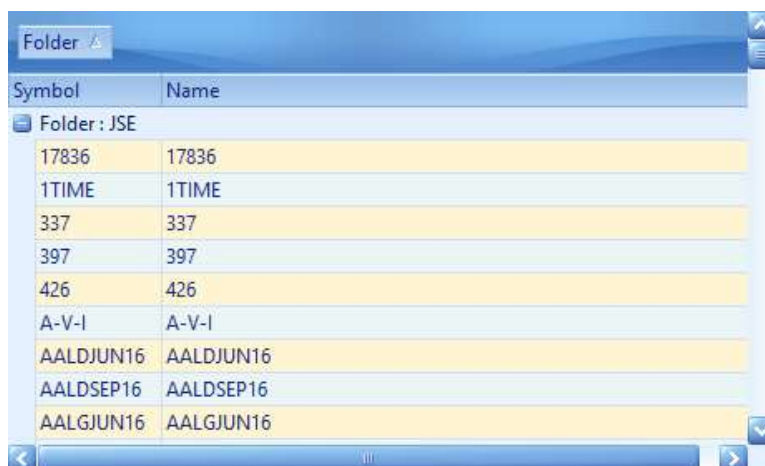


The **Chart Data Source** dropdown button will allow you to switch data sources if you are using more than one.

The **Symbol** drop-down edit box is used to enter or select the symbol of a market instrument. To the right of that is a button to **Reload** the data for the current symbol/chart. The **Close** button will close the active chart window.

You can start entering a symbol in the **Symbol** box to automatically search for a particular market instrument in the provided list, or you can press the drop-down button on the right of the Symbol box to open the list of provided instruments. Any closed folders in the list can be opened with a double-click or by using the + button to the left of the folder.

The selected market instrument will be displayed in the chart window using the provided Interval (usually Daily) and the selected or default Chart Style and Chart Template.



INTERVALS

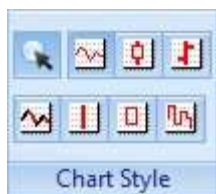


You can view your chart with the following intervals: Daily, Weekly, Monthly, Bi-Monthly, Quarterly, or Annually.

Simply open the chart you wish to see and then select the interval you would like to see by clicking on the D, M, B, Q, Y, or A buttons. You can also set an interval as the default by clicking the Set as Default button. This will open all future charts with your preferred interval. The number of periods displayed will depend on the available historical data, e.g. 20 yearly periods or 240 monthly periods, etc

CHART STYLE

The **Chart Style** toolbar is used to select or change the style of the price chart. New charts use the **Default Style** (initially **Candle Stick**) unless you first select a different style, or unless you have selected the option to always use the style specified by a Chart Template. You can change this default by selecting a different style and then selecting the **Default Style** button. You can choose between different Candle styles (displaying open, high, low, and/or close prices) or Line styles (displaying only close prices).



You can change the style of the active open chart at any time by selecting a different style. By default, the number of periods displayed in the chart will automatically adjust to provide the best view for the selected style – unless you deselect the **AutoZoom** option on the **Chart Options** toolbar (see the **Options and Settings** tab).

Irrespective of the **AutoZoom** option, you can manually zoom in and out (i.e. change the number of interval periods displayed) using the horizontal zoom scroller or Days edit box at the bottom-left of a chart (to the left of the chart tabs and above the status bar).

CHART TOOLS



The **Chart Tools** toolbar is used to add **Indicators** or **Trend Lines** to a chart, for **Back Testing**, or to show/hide other chart tools.

Trend Lines, **Moving Averages**, and **Bollinger Bands** are overlaid on the price chart, while the four unique Cycle Trends Indicators and other standard Indicators are displayed in individual boxes below the price chart. DX, CCI, and Momentum indicators are now available in addition to the previous standard MACD, RSI, and Stochastic indicators.

The title 'box' of each of the four unique cyclical indicators will indicate the current signal or trend by colour, **Green – Positive**, **Red – Negative**, **Gold – Neutral (no current signal or trend)**. The **title bars** of the cyclical indicators (which indicate green positive or red negative trends) include the **signal levels** and **current value** of the indicator.

	Moving Average
	Bollinger Bands
	Cycles-Trig
	Cycles-Array
	Trendic
	TrueOBOS
	ADX - Average Directional Index
	CCI - Commodity Channel Index
	MACD
	Momentum
	RSI - Relative Strength Index
	Stochastic

Trendic (55) | Pos >10 Neg <-10 | 83,4 deg

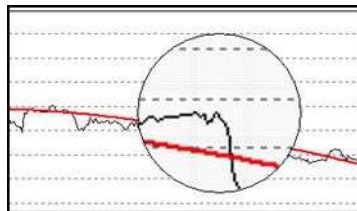
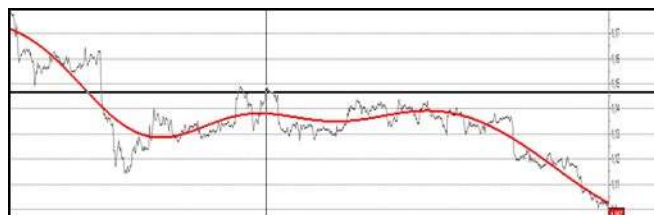
Trendic (36) | Pos >10 Neg <-10 | -82,7 deg

TrueOBOS | OB >5,604 OS <-5,604 | 1,486%

This User Manual does not provide training on Indicators or Chart Analysis. Please refer to any relevant training manuals or videos for more information.

You can **Show** or **Hide** the Crosshair Cursor, Data Panel, or Magnifier tools by selecting or deselecting the relevant buttons.

The **Crosshair Cursor** can be applied to the Price Axis or to the Axis of any Indicator box by selecting the relevant option on the **Crosshair Cursor** toolbar which will be displayed within the **Edit** tab.



The **Data Panel** will display the current Close price or the current Open, High, Low and Close (depending on the current Chart Style).

The **Magnifier** will magnify a circular area of the chart and can be dragged around the chart.

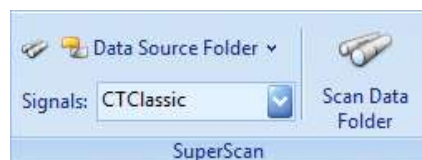
WATCHLISTS



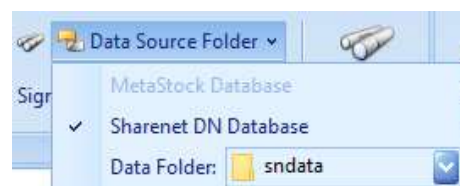
To add a share to a Watchlist, open a **New Chart**, select the share to display, and then click on the **Green Plus** sign. To remove a share, select that share in the Watchlist, and then click the **Red Minus** button. You can create your own Watchlist by clicking on the **New List** button and adding

the shares you want to the list. You can also open shares from the Watchlist by double clicking on the share in the list.

THE SUPERSCAN

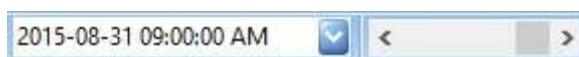


Make sure that your Data Source Folder is selected, select the **signals** you want the SuperScan to focus on, and then click the **Scan Data Folder** to start the scan. You will find the list on the right hand side of the workspace.



BACK TESTING

Scrolling a chart to an earlier date using the horizontal scroller or date picker at the bottom-right of a chart (to the right of the chart tabs and above the status bar) will enable the **Back Testing** tool, which has four grouped buttons on the **Chart Tools** toolbar.



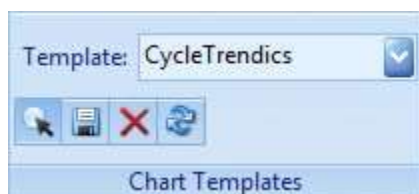
Selecting the **Start Back Testing** button (or pressing Enter) will reload the chart only using data up to and including the date currently selected. Any changes in the price of the market instrument after that date will not be available to any indicators or trend lines. This allows you to see exactly what any indicators would have displayed on the chart on that day in the past.

Selecting the **Step Forward** button will advance the chart by one period (day, week, etc) and will then display the chart exactly as it would have displayed on that next period in the past.

You could also select the **Replay** button to automatically advance the chart through all past periods to view the changing indicators as the price for each new period is added to the chart.

Selecting the **Stop Back Testing** button (or pressing Esc) will stop the back test and return the chart to the latest period.

CHART TEMPLATES



The **Chart Templates** toolbar is used to select, apply, or save templates that can be applied to individual charts. **Every chart window has an associated Chart Template.** The **Default** Chart Template (initially **CycleTrendics**) will be applied to any New chart, unless you first select a different template. You can change this default by selecting a different template and then selecting the **Default Chart Template** button.

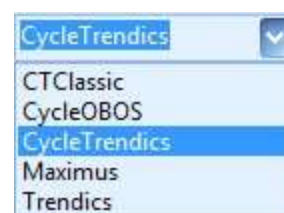
A different template can be applied to the active open chart by selecting the required template from the drop-down list of available templates.

Chart Templates include a combination of indicators and their parameters such as periods, line colours and widths, etc.

If you have selected the option to use the Chart Style specified by a Chart Template (see the **Chart Options** toolbar under the **Options and Settings** tab on the main ribbon bar) then the price chart will

use the style, colours and width saved in the Template instead of the current or Default Chart Style.

Cycle Trends includes a number of preset Chart Templates corresponding to recommended Cycle Trends systems. **Please see the relevant training manual or videos for more information on using these systems in your trading.**



Any changes you make to a chart, such as adding or removing indicators, changing indicator parameters, drawing trend lines, changing line colours or width, etc. can be **Saved as a New Template** that you can then apply to any other chart (or even set as your Default Chart Template).

You can **Delete** any templates that you no longer require (except the preset templates), and you can re-apply the current Chart Template to **Refresh** or redraw the current chart if something is not displaying correctly.

EDITING CHARTS

The **Edit** tab to the right of the **Chart** tab on the main ribbon bar contains toolbars that allow you to edit the price chart, indicators, etc. The available toolbars will change depending on the currently selected indicator etc.

You can select an indicator from the drop-down list on the **Indicator** toolbar to change the parameters of that particular indicator. Alternatively you can tap any chart indicator to automatically display the relevant options for that indicator on the **Edit** tab.

The **Indicator** toolbar has options to change the colour or width of the selected indicator, and to **Hide** or **Remove** the indicator from the chart.

Any other parameters specific to a particular indicator (e.g. Period, Cycles, etc.) will be displayed in an additional toolbar specific to that indicator.

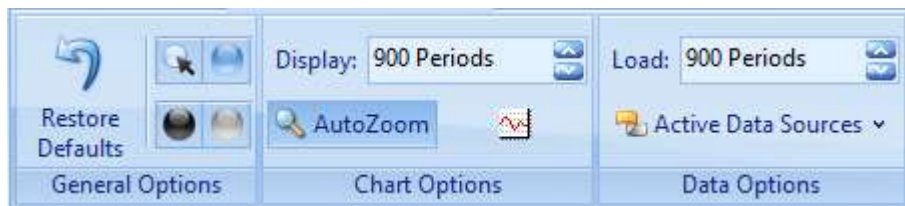
Selecting a Trend Line will display the **Trend Line** toolbar which has options to change the colour or width of the selected Trend Line, or to **Remove** the selected Trend Line.



OPTIONS AND SETTINGS

The **Options and Settings** tab on the main ribbon bar has a number of toolbars that allow you to change certain options or settings at any time. Any changes you make here will be saved and applied in future.

The **General Options** toolbar allows you to change the **Visual Style** of CycleTrends (colours etc.) or to **Restore** the initial Default options, including the default size and position of the application on your screen.



The **Chart Options** toolbar allows you to enable or disable chart **AutoZoom**, to enable or disable using the **Chart Style** included in Chart Templates, and to select the number of interval Periods/Bars to **Display** in a chart. The number of Periods available to select

will depend on the number of Periods loaded into a chart as you cannot display more than the number of Periods loaded.

If **AutoZoom** is enabled, the number of Periods displayed will be automatically adjusted for Candle Chart Styles if necessary for optimum display.

The **Data Options** toolbar allows you to activate or deactivate supported Data Sources (e.g. Sharenet DN Database and/or MetaStock Database), and to select the number of Days/Bars to **Load** into a chart. The number of Days available to select will depend on the number of Days selected to Display in a chart as you cannot load less than the number of Days required to be displayed.

Please note that the determination of cyclical movement in data is more accurate with more data loaded into a chart, so we recommend loading at least 900 Periods when using any Cyclical Indicators in a chart.

HELP AND SUPPORT

CycleTrends Support can be contacted via e-mail to support@cycletrends.net for any help or support related to the **features** and **basic usage** of *CycleTrends Daily*.



Sharenet Support can be contacted via e-mail to support@sharenet.co.za if you require any help or support using the **Sharenet DN Database** with CycleTrends.

The **Help and Support** toolbar on the **Home** tab of the main ribbon bar can be used to launch the **CycleTrends Manager** application, to send an e-mail to **CycleTrends Support**, to view the **Support Log**, or to view information **About CycleTrends** such as the version installed etc.

You can also use the **Extended Screen Tips** button to enable or disable the display of extended tips when hovering over toolbars and buttons etc.

The **CycleTrends Manager** is used to manage Cycle Trends licenses and installations, or to update CycleTrends if a newer release is available to you.

The **Contact CycleTrends Support** button can be used to open a new e-mail message addressed to Cycle Trends Support.

The **View Support Log** button will display a log of any problems or errors that could be useful to determine the cause of any problems. CycleTrends Support can use this log to help you resolve any problems.