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thinkorswim[®] Web: Quick Start Guide

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A streamlined platform needs a streamlined manual.

So here's a quick rundown of how to use some of the tools on thinkorswim Web.

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How to Log In

Setting up the thinkorswim Web platform is as easy as opening your browser and logging in. No download needed.

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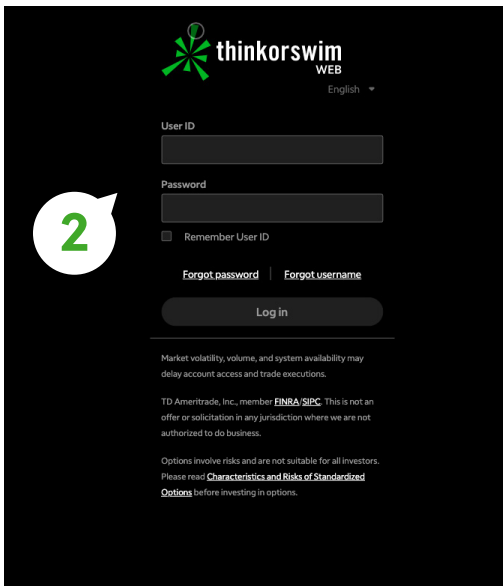


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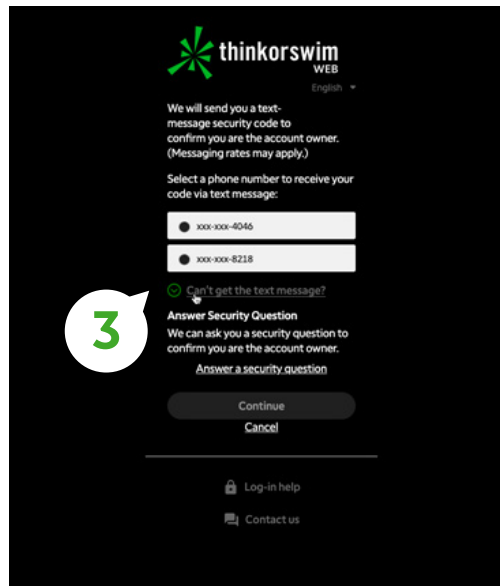
Get a quick look at how to log in.

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- 1—Go to trade.thinkorswim.com—and bookmark the page for direct log-in access.
- 2—Enter your TD Ameritrade **User ID** and **Password**.
- 3—When prompted, enter your phone number to receive a text with a code to verify your account. Or if you can't get a text right now, answer a security question to verify.

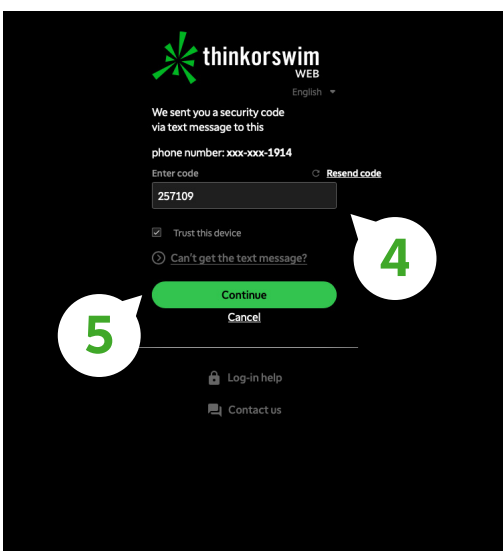


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- 4—Enter the authentication code sent to you via text.
- 5—Click **Continue**.



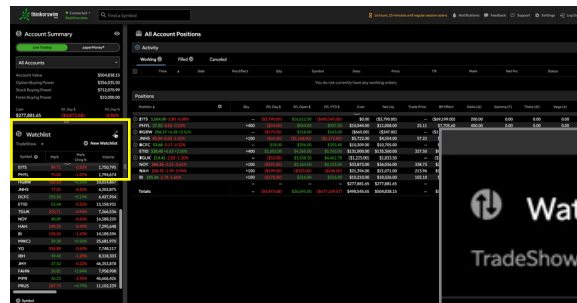
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Set Up Watchlists

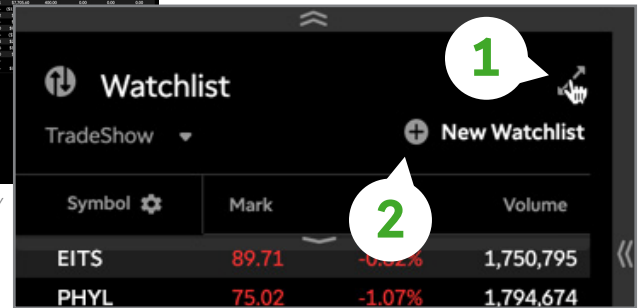
Keep an eye on your next potential moves or monitor your positions. Creating a new watchlist or adding to an existing one is a snap.

1—After logging in, you'll see a page with your positions in the middle, and your balances and watchlists on the left. You can also click the diagonal arrows on the left sidebar to expand the watchlist.

2—To create a new watchlist, click **+New Watchlist**, type in the name of your new watchlist, and click **Save**.



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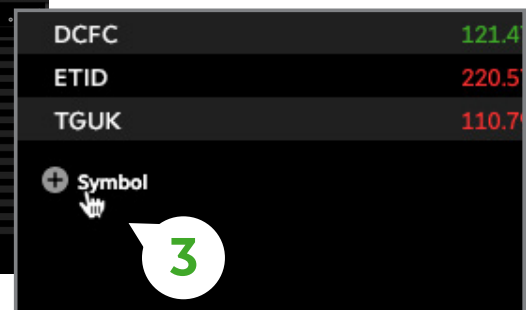


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3—To add to an existing watchlist, click **+Symbol**, then type a symbol into the search box, and hit enter.



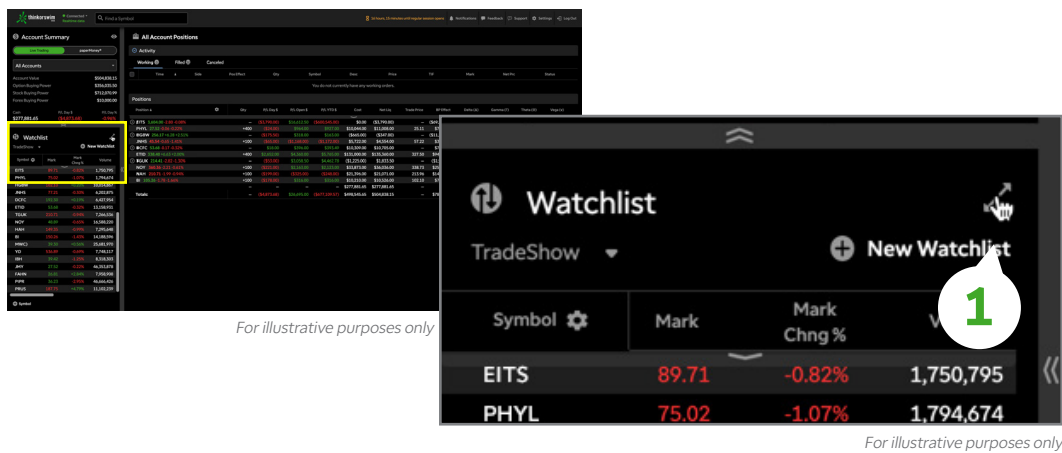
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Customizing your watchlist is easy:

1—Click the diagonal arrows in the upper right corner of the watchlist box to expand the view.

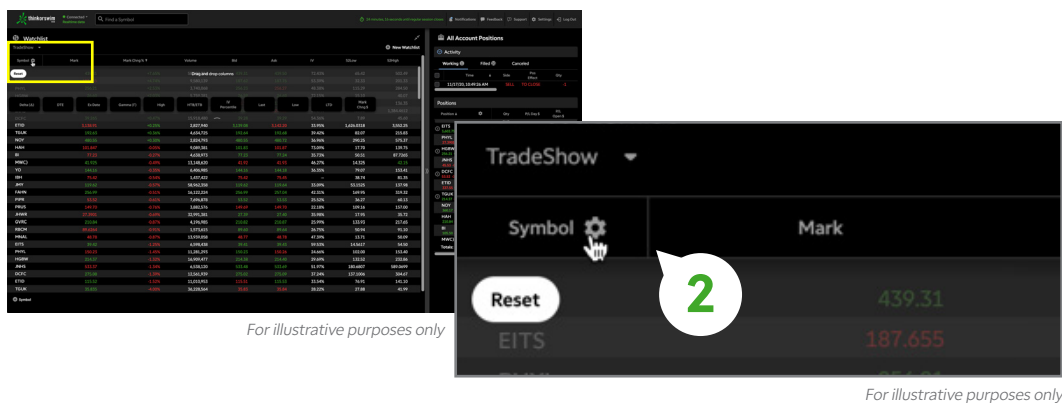


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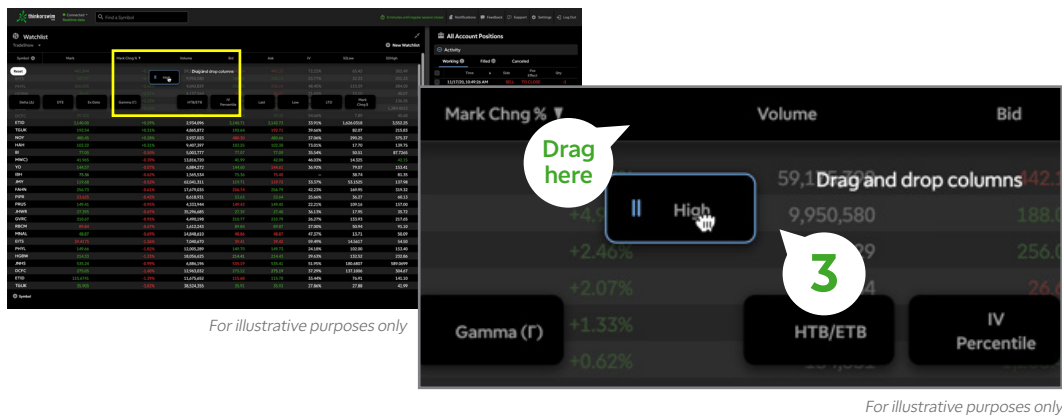


Set up watchlists
Take a look at how to create and customize a watchlist.
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2—Click on the gear wheel icon labeled **Symbol** to see the available column headers.



3—Add a column header by either clicking the column and dragging to the top where the other columns are applied or clicking the column header itself. Columns can also be removed by dragging them from the top back in to the drawer.



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Trade

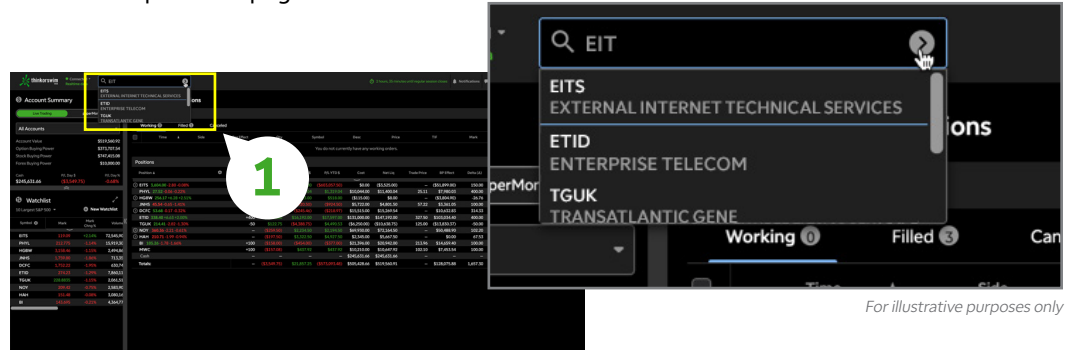
Get a closer look at how to place a trade.

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Place a Trade

Get into a position in just a few clicks.

1—Type a symbol in the search bar at the top of the screen. Or click an existing position in your watchlist or positions page.



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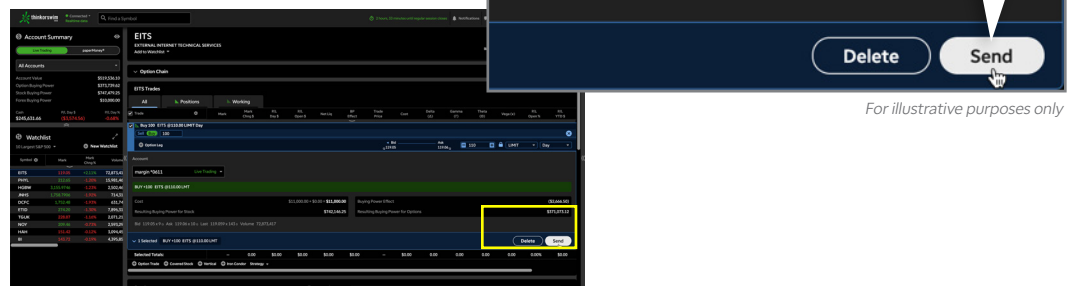
2—Click the **Buy** or **Sell** button to open up the order ticket below. Scroll down to view it.



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3—Choose order type, price, quantity, and time in force.

4—Click the **Review** button to check your order, and click **Send** to place it.



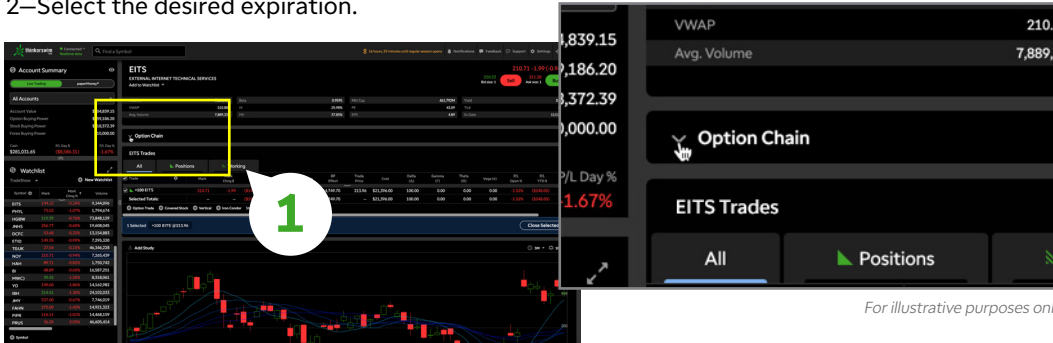
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Place an Options Trade

Take a look at how to place an options trade.

- 1—Find a symbol, then click the downward arrow next to **Option Chain** to view all expirations.
- 2—Select the desired expiration.



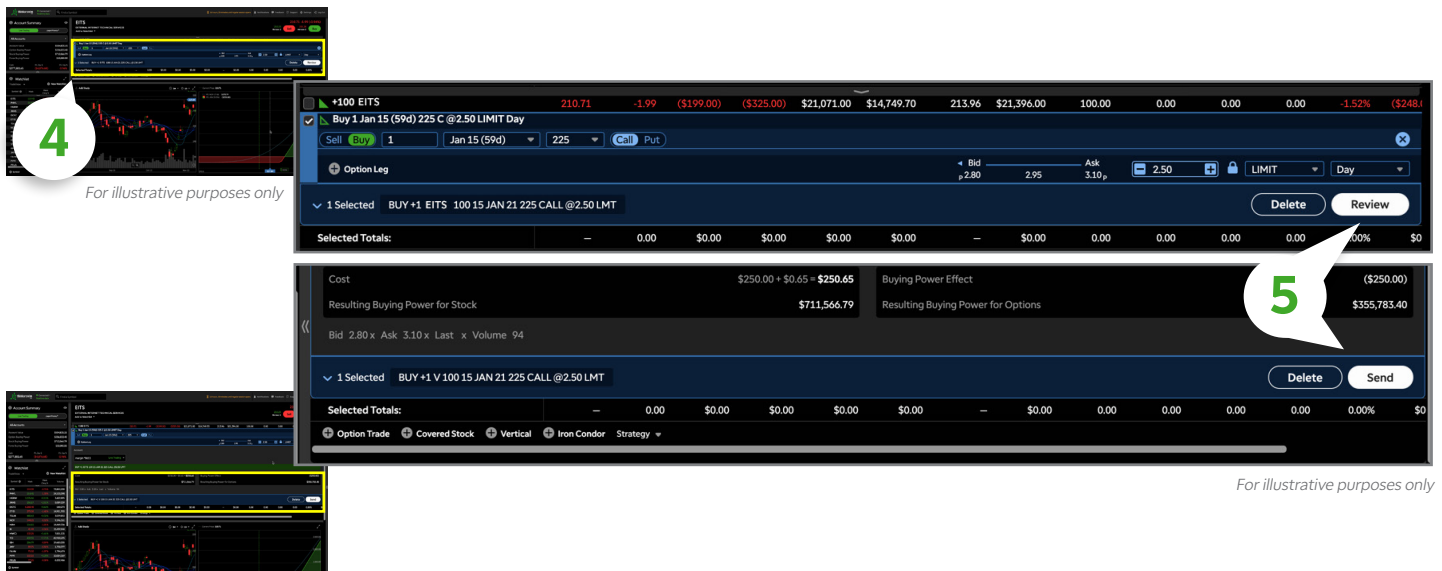
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- 3—Click on either the **Bid** (sell) or **Ask** (buy) column of the strike you want to buy or sell. If you'd like to create a multi-leg order, just click on the bid or ask of the other strike or expiration you want to trade.



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- 4—Scroll down to the order ticket and adjust the quantity, order type, and limit price.
- 5—Click the **Review** button to check your order, and click **Send** to place it.



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Trade options
Watch and learn how to place an options trade.
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Analyze options

See how to analyze an options trade.
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Other ways to analyze

You can also hover over the chart on the left to see the risk profile update in real time.

Analyze an Options Trade

Easily compare current positions and potential trades in one place.

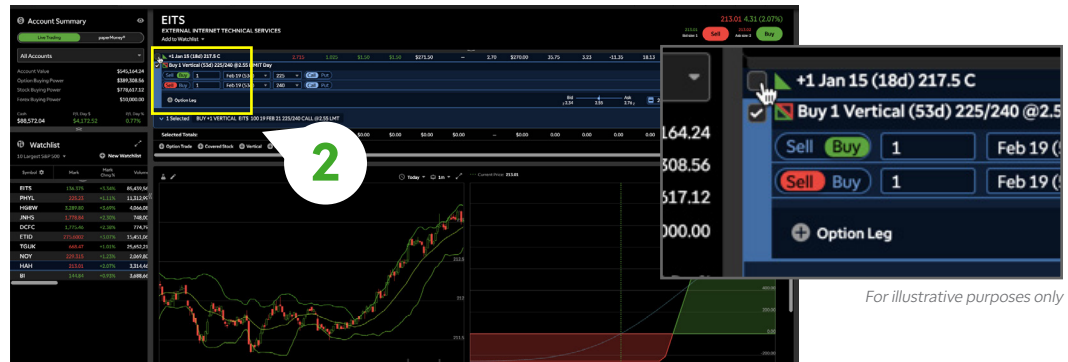
1—Hover over price levels on the risk profile or the price chart on the left to find the specific amount, and to see where the price level is on the chart of the underlying profit or loss.



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2—The risk profile will show the potential profit or loss of combinations of positions or trades. To change which positions or trades are being displayed, you can use the check boxes to the left of each position or trade.




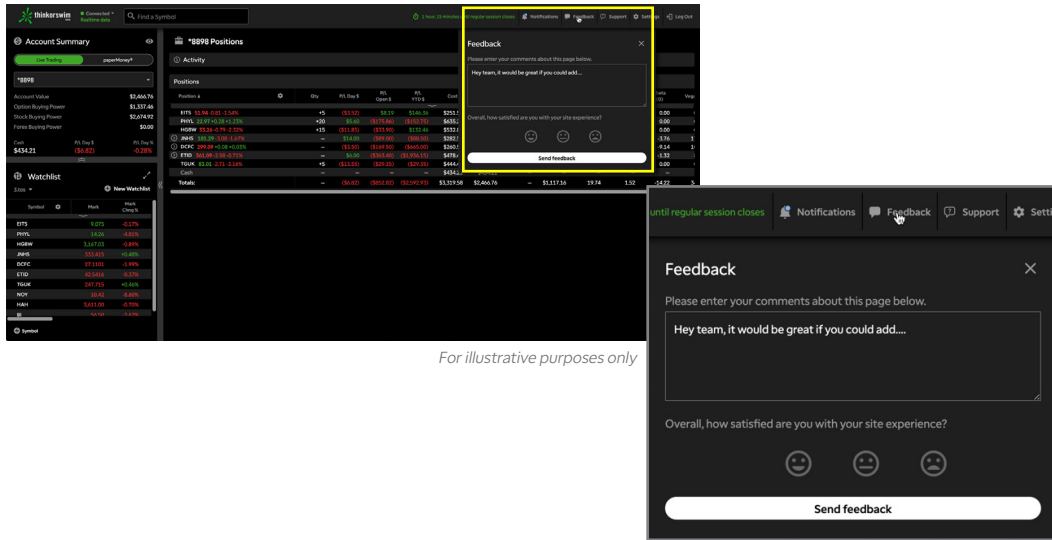
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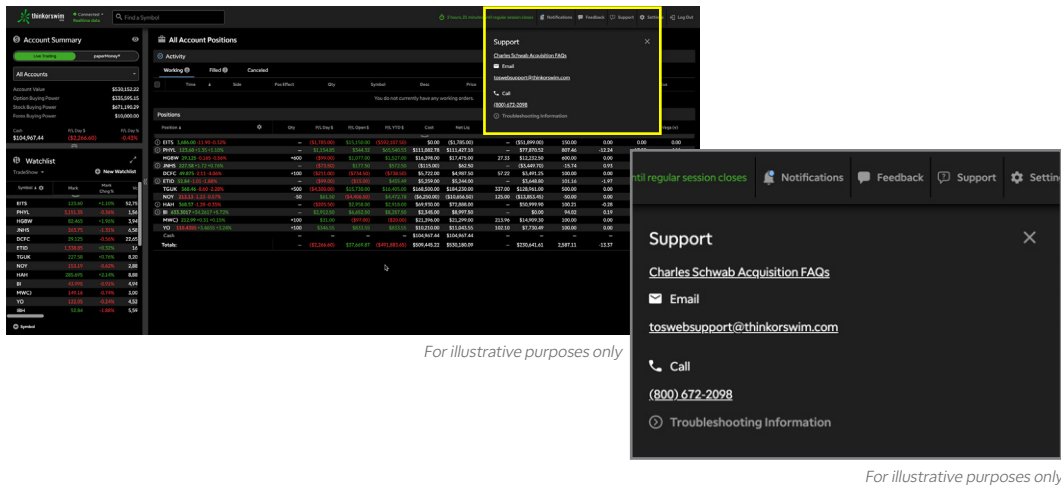
Feedback

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Support

Have a question? Click  **Support** to find contact and troubleshooting info.



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