# **Position Sizing Formula**

# Step1:

How much money in total do you have to invest in the market?



### Step 2:

For your first 3 trades, don't place more than 10% of this in a single position.

E.g. if you have \$100,000, ensure that each position is \$10,000 or less.

With experience, the maximum position size shouldn't exceed 25%.

## Step 3:

How much money are you prepared to lose in each position?

Suggestion: <1% of total trading equity on any 1 position.

E.g. \$1,000 total loss on a \$100,000 portfolio.

## Step 4:

Look at the chart to find a logical stop loss point.

E.g. share price minus 3 ATR (Average True Range).

#### Step 5:

a) Current Price - Stop Loss Price = Risk.i.e. you are prepared to risk \$1.35

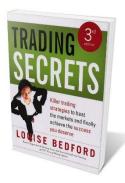
Let's assume the current price is \$15.13 and you've decided your stop loss is at \$13.78 (i.e. \$1.35 lower)

- b) Total Loss \$ / Risk = Number of Shares you can purchase e.g. \$1,000/\$1.35 = 741 shares
- c) Number of Shares x Share Price = Total Investment can purchasee.g. 741 x \$15.13 = \$11,211

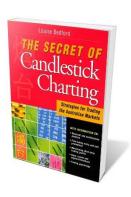
Position size must be < 25% of Total Equity unless you have a GSLO (Guaranteed Stop Loss Order).



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