



# How to Add and Install Expert Advisors (EAs) Forex Robots PRO in MetaTrader 4

Installing Forex expert advisors (EA) follows nearly the same pathway as that of custom indicators, with the minor difference that the EA files are attached to the **“Experts”** folder and not the Indicators folder. This is how it is done. Again, the assumption is that the EA was coded within the MQL4 environment, as only EAs coded with the MQL4 can be added are compatible with the MT4 platform.

## Step 1: Adding the EAs to the Right Folder

- Download and save the file
- Identify if the file is archived or in its normal format (right click on the file and select Properties, at the top it will say if it is a MetaQuotes Language 4 file. If it is not, it is most likely an archive)
- If the file is archived or zipped, make sure to unzip the file.
- First, open the instance of the MT4 Forex Trading platform, where you want to add the expert advisor. When this is open, click on File on the top navigation menu, and then click on **“Open Data Folder”** in the drop-down menu. This will open the data folder on your computer.



**Step 2: Add the Expert Advisor(s) to the Data Folder**

In the open Data Folder, click on MQL4 -> Experts. This opens the Experts folder. This is the folder where the EAs will be added.

name	Date modified	Type
config	9/5/2016 1:49 PM	File folder
history	2/9/2016 9:04 AM	File folder
logs	9/11/2016 10:40 PM	File folder
<b>MQL4</b>	2/9/2016 1:27 AM	File folder
profiles	1/1/2002 9:12 AM	File folder
templates	2/9/2016 1:27 AM	File folder
tester	1/1/2002 9:12 AM	File folder
origin	2/9/2016 1:27 AM	Text Document

Name	Date modified	Type
<b>Experts</b>	7/11/2016 1:06 PM	File folder
Files	2/9/2016 1:27 AM	File folder
Images	2/9/2016 1:27 AM	File folder
Include	2/9/2016 1:27 AM	File folder
Indicators	8/15/2016 5:49 PM	File folder
Libraries	7/11/2016 1:08 PM	File folder
Logs	9/11/2016 10:40 PM	File folder
Presets	2/9/2016 1:27 AM	File folder
Projects	2/9/2016 1:27 AM	File folder
Scripts	7/11/2016 1:07 PM	File folder

**Step 3: Paste the .mq4 or. ex4 EA file into the “Experts” folder**

Use the Ctrl + C to copy and paste the expert advisor files from their native location to the open Experts folder, then restart your MT4 platform by closing it and opening it again. By now, the Expert Advisors will be available in your “Navigator” panel.

### How to activate an Expert Advisor (EA)

Some Expert Advisors require activation before they are able to work. To activate Expert Advisors:

- Click on Tools > Options
- Select Expert Advisors tab
- Click the 'Enable Expert Advisors' and click the 'Allow Live Trading'. Make sure both check boxes are ticked.

