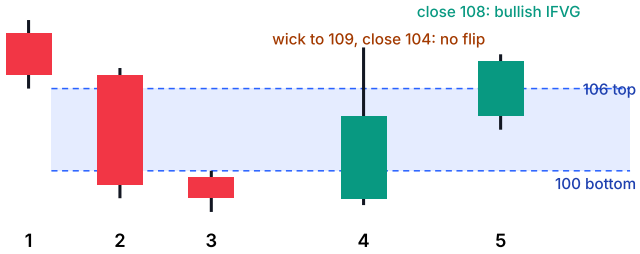
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# The IFVG on one page

The inverse fair value gap (IFVG, also inversion FVG or iFVG), as IFVG Desk 1.2.0 reads it on closed candles: rules you can check against its Pine source. ICT, the Inner Circle Trader, calls it an inversion fair value gap.




## The rule

1. **The gap.** Bullish: candle 3's low strictly above candle 1's high. Bearish: candle 3's high strictly below candle 1's low. At least 0.05 × ATR(14) wide; the zone is the space between those two wicks.
2. **The flip.** A later candle, not candle 3, closes strictly beyond the far edge. A bullish gap closed below its bottom is a bearish IFVG; a bearish gap closed above its top is a bullish IFVG. A wick, or a close on the edge, is no flip.
3. **The end.** A close strictly beyond the IFVG's other edge invalidates it. More than 180 candles after the gap formed, it expires. Each gap flips once.

## Bullish vs bearish IFVG

| | Bullish IFVG | Bearish IFVG |
|---|---|---|
| Starts as | a bearish FVG | a bullish FVG |
| The flip | a close strictly above the top | a close strictly below the bottom |
| Watched as | support, from above | resistance, from below |
| Ends on | a close strictly below the bottom | a close strictly above the top |

An IFVG is what a fair value gap becomes when it fails; a breaker block is the same failure on an order block, plus a structure break.

## One entry model: IFVG Desk's

1. **Entry:** the close of the flip candle, and only that candle (default). Optional: a later candle overlaps the zone and closes beyond its trade-side edge and beyond its own open.
2. **Window:** the candle opens from 09:30 to before 11:00 New York time (on by default).
3. **Optional checks:** a higher-timeframe gap, a recent sweep, SMT, the previous day's direction, an entry body of at least 0.5 × ATR.
4. **Stop:** one tick beyond the 10 candles before the entry candle.
5. **Target and size:** 1R; size = planned cash risk ÷ stop distance, rounded down.
6. **Exit:** levels fixed once entered; out after 120 candles; one resolved plan per New York day.

## Five mistakes

1. Calling a wick a flip: only a close beyond the far edge counts.
2. Flipping a gap on its own third candle: the flip needs a later candle.
3. Treating an inverted gap as an entry: it is a zone; the checks and the risk plan still decide.
4. Reusing a dead IFVG: a close beyond its other edge ends it for good.
5. Judging it from screenshots: count forward, on closed candles.

**What we measured.** IFVG Desk's strategy companion, QQQ and SPY 1-minute candles, 17 Aug to 5 Sep 2026, with costs: QQQ 15 trades, −525.57 USD; SPY 15 trades, +210.81 USD (run on version 1.0.0, repeated on 1.0.1; not re-run on 1.2.0). The same rule over the same weeks, with opposite signs: too small to say either way. No IFVG rule, ours included, has a validated edge. proea.app/en/blog/inverse-fair-value-gap

## Draw it on your chart

The IFVG indicators on TradingView, code-read: proea.app/en/blog/best-ifvg-indicator-tradingview
IFVG Desk, full Pine v6 source: proea.app/en/pine-library/ifvg-desk

Rules: IFVG Desk 1.2.0 defaults, from its Pine source; test: its measurement log of 6 Sep 2026 (versions 1.0.0 and 1.0.1). Our summary, checked 25 October 2026. Educational, not financial advice. © ProEA Lab · proea.app