TBF TRADING ACADEMY

Smart Money Concepts (SMC) Playbook

A repeatable checklist for institutional-style entries.

Module: 06 — Execution

For educational purposes only. Trading involves risk of loss.

The SMC top-down workflow

- Weekly / Daily: define bias and the draw on liquidity.
- 4H: locate the HTF POI (order block or FVG) aligned with bias.
- 15m: wait for price to enter the POI and sweep internal liquidity.
- 1m / 5m: enter on CHoCH + retrace into refined LTF POI.

Entry checklist

- HTF bias is clear (BOS in your direction).
- Price is at a discount for longs / premium for shorts.
- Liquidity has been swept on the opposing side.
- LTF CHoCH has printed.
- Entry is inside an FVG or refined OB with a defined invalidation.

Risk framework

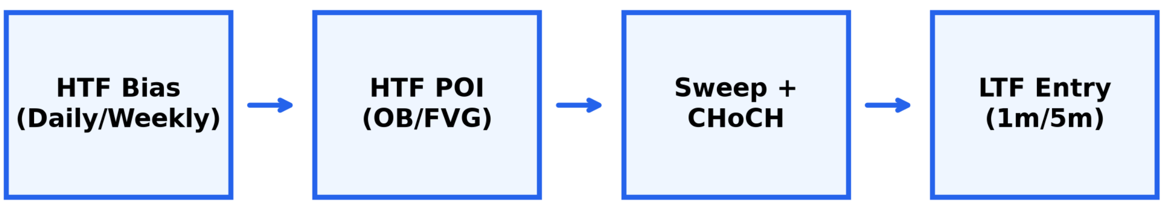
- Risk 0.5% – 1% per trade. Non-negotiable.
- Minimum 3R target on A+ setups; 2R on standard setups.
- No more than 2 losing trades per day — walk away.
- Journal every trade with screenshots and the checklist filled in.

Common failure modes

- Entering without a sweep — trading into liquidity instead of away from it.
- Ignoring HTF bias because the LTF looks 'clean'.
- Widening stops to avoid taking the loss.
- Moving to break-even too early and getting wicked out.

Smc Playbook — Chart Example

SMC Playbook: Top-Down Execution Workflow



✓ HTF bias clear

✓ Discount/premium aligned

✓ Opposing liquidity swept

✓ LTF CHoCH confirmed

✓ Entry inside FVG/OB