Guidelines for ATM Method Development
for OmniVest

The following guidelines will help you develop valid methods as candidates for OmniVest Elite.

☐ **Turn Off any ATM Method Optimizations.** All ATM Method optimization needs to be turned off before submission.

☐ **Only Use Market or Market on Open Orders.** All orders for entries and exits, must be specified as Market or Market on Open as these are currently the only order type supported by OmniVest and iOmniVest.

☐ **Do Not Use Market Reversal Exits.** Market Reversal Exits use hindsight to determine Pivot Points. These stops are meant to evaluate entry signals only, as they cannot be traded in the real market.

☐ **Do Not Use the Performance Block in Strategies.** The Performance Block looks at system performance over the whole data set and cannot be used.

☐ **Do Not Use Advisor Rating.** The Advisor Rating or Score in the Vote Block cannot be used as it also is calculated by looking at system performance over the Backtest. Setting the Advisor Cut Off to zero will avoid this situation.

☐ **Do Not Use Optimization in Strategies.** Make sure there are no Red Blocks in the Strategy Flow Chart as that would indicate optimization is being used in that block (and therefore, in the Strategy).

☐ **Do Not Use Orders Blocks.** Always use a Trade Plan block in strategies so that orders can be submitted to broker.

☐ **Do Not Use Partial Exits or Partial Entries**. All Orders must be set at 100% of Trade Size in Trade Plans.

☐ **Do Not Use Timeframes other than Daily.** Higher and lower timeframes cannot be referenced in strategies. Other chart types, such as Heikin Ashi, Renko, etc. cannot be used either. Only Daily.