Watchlists

OIC Practice Pit: Virtual Options Trading Simulator

The Watchlist tab is your personal list of symbols to monitor, with key market data for each in one table. You can keep an eye on opportunities without placing a trade, then jump into action when one looks right.

Why maintain a watchlist

Investors use watchlists to:

- Track the stocks and ETFs they're interested in without committing capital.
- Compare symbols side by side on volatility, liquidity and recent performance.
- Move quickly from an idea to a trade once conditions line up.
- Spot opportunities, such as a pullback, a spike in volatility, or unusual option activity.
- Stay ahead of events like upcoming earnings dates.

What you're looking at



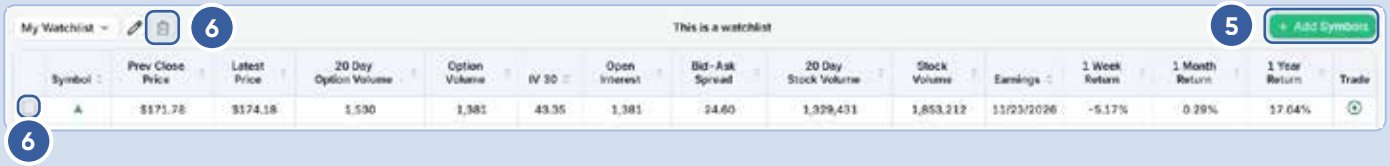
Each symbol shows data in a sortable table. Click any column header to sort.

1. **Price and performance:** Previous close, latest price, and 1 week, 1 month and 1 year returns.
2. **Volatility:** IV 30, which shows the symbol's 30-day implied volatility.

3. **Volume and liquidity:** Option volume, stock volume, their 20-day figures, open interest, and the bid-ask spread. Hover over a symbol to see its name.

4. **Events:** The next earnings date.

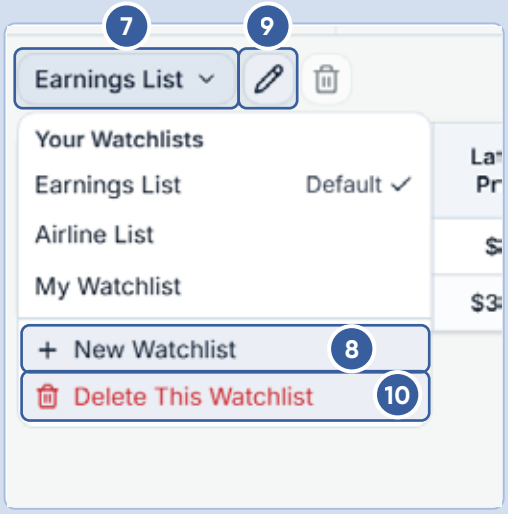
Managing your list

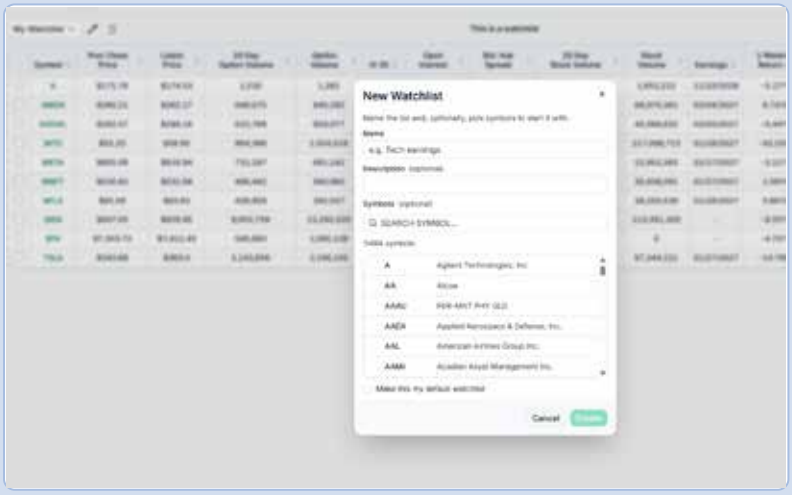


5. **Add symbols:** Click **Add Symbols** to search for one or more symbols and add them to the list you're viewing.

6. **Remove symbols:** Check the box next to one or more symbols, then click the **trash icon** to remove them.

Managing multiple watchlists





You can keep more than one watchlist and switch between them at any time.

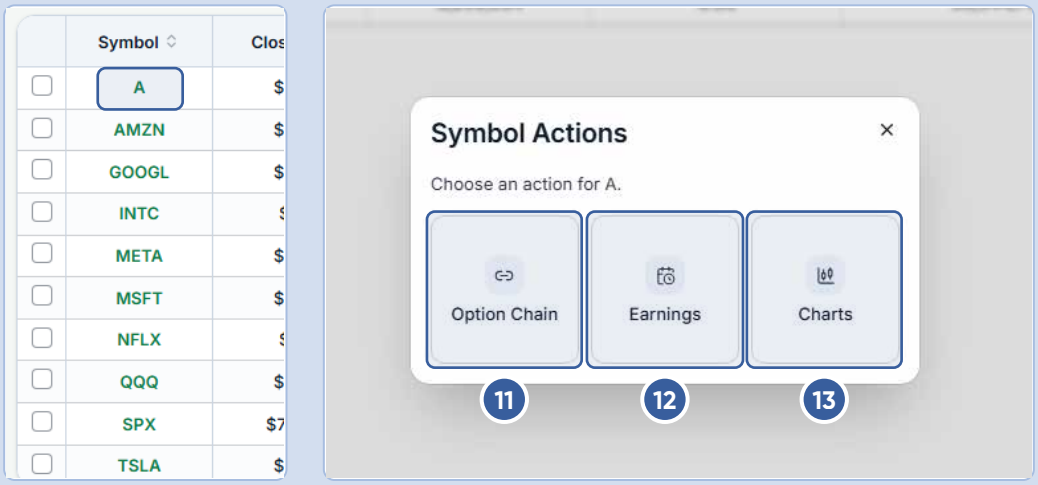
7. **Switch lists:** Click the watchlist name in the top left to open a menu of your watchlists. A checkmark shows the one you're viewing, and your default list is labeled **Default**.

8. **Create a new list:** Choose **New Watchlist** from the menu. Give it a name, add an optional description, and optionally pick symbols to start it with. Check **Make this my default watchlist** if you want it to open first, then click **Create**.

9 **Edit name and description:** Click the **pencil icon** to rename the watchlist or update its description. The description appears at the top of the page.

10 **Delete a list:** Choose **Delete This Watchlist** from the menu to remove the entire list you're viewing.

Researching a symbol



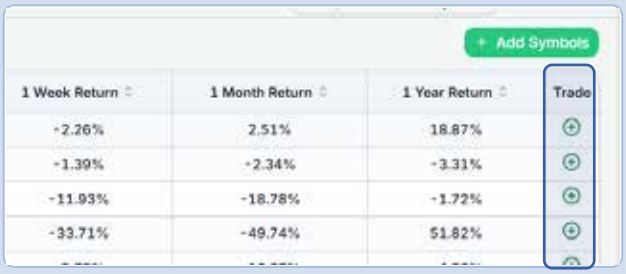
Click any symbol to open a menu of next steps:

11 **Option Chain:** See available contracts and pricing.

12 **Earnings:** Review upcoming and past earnings.

13 **Charts:** Analyze price history.

Placing a trade



Click the green **Trade** icon at the end of any row to open a New Position window directly from the watchlist, with that symbol already selected, so you can choose a strategy and build the trade.

Things to keep in mind

- Sort by the metric you care most about before a trading session so those symbols float to the top.
- A watchlist built around one strategy (e.g. high IV rank) is easier to scan than one mixing unrelated criteria. Consider keeping separate lists.

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