# THE READINESS AUDIT: EVERY GATE, ONE CHECKLIST

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## TL;DR

- The audit is one checklist: every mastery gate from Stages 0-9, restated as a line you score YES or NO - and a line is YES only when the artefact that proves it exists and you can put your hand on it. Memory, confidence and a good month are not artefacts.

- Life gets re-certified too: Stage 0's five money lines are re-asked as of today, because the certification was about a life, and lives change. A worksheet signed over a life that no longer exists certifies nothing.

- The audit's output is eligibility, not an order. A full card of YES makes you eligible to CHOOSE - and Lesson 6's decision box records either choice with full marks. A single NO names the stage you revisit; it is routing, not a verdict on you.

## THE TAKEAWAYS

- The lines, one per gate, each with its proof. STAGE 0 - the money-readiness worksheet, signed, its five lines true (the re-certification below is part of this line, not a bonus). STAGE 2 - account and order literacy, evidenced by your paper record: every order type placed correctly on paper, every fill read, cash vs margin and the one-day settle statable cold. STAGE 3 - the chart gate: regimes and levels read on charts you had not seen, in the course's vocabulary. STAGE 4 - the personal risk sheet signed; the sizing division run on scenarios including a ten-loss streak; a written five-line plan produced before a hypothetical entry. STAGES 5-6 - the chain read cold on an unseen screenshot (breakeven and maximum loss stated before any opinion) and the Greeks scenarios predicted. STAGE 7 - both spread types constructed on a live chain to the course's filters, and TWENTY compliant paper trades logged, each with its process grade. STAGE 8 - the trade lifecycle walked on historical screenshots with each decision graded, and the total-open-risk sum computed. STAGE 9 - the four artefacts: four weeks of tagged journal, one complete PlayBook page, one weekly review naming a recurring error with its evidence, the monthly book page. Plus the standing line: your one leak named, and its guard written into the PlayBook page it belongs to.

- Re-certification is a line of its own: the emergency fund intact at TODAY'S expenses; no new high-interest debt; the certified figure still money whose total loss changes nothing about housing, bills, debt or sleep; the time budget (Stage 0's five to six hours a week) still real in an actual week; none of the stop-signs currently true. Any changed answer routes back to Stage 0 - not as punishment, but because the figure every later stage is sized from lives on that worksheet, and arithmetic built on a stale certification is fiction with good formatting.

- Scoring discipline: YES requires the artefact in hand, dated, yours. 'I did that in March' without the page scores NO - not because March didn't happen, but because an audit that runs on the narrator is a mirror, not an instrument. Borderline lines score NO for the same reason: the audit is cheap to re-run and expensive to fake, and that asymmetry is the whole design. Note what never appears on the card: a P&L line. A red paper record with complete paperwork passes lines that a green diary fails, because the gates were always about preparation, and preparation is what the artefacts measure.

- What a clean card certifies - and what it never does. It certifies preparation: the way a licence certifies training. It does not predict the first ten trades, and it does not repeal Stage 0's evidence: the base case for a beginner's first live period is a small loss, and Lesson 4 budgets for exactly that, in dollars, before trade #1. A learner who hears 'you passed the audit' as 'you will probably make money' has misread the only document in this course that never lies to them - which is why this lesson prints the distinction on the card itself.

**RULE: Artefacts, not feelings: a line is YES when the page exists, or it is NO - and a NO names the stage, never the trader.**

## COMMON MISTAKES

- Scoring from memory. The audit's lines name artefacts precisely so that 'I definitely did that' can be checked against a page. No page, no YES.

- Letting strong lines lend votes to weak ones. The sample passes its paperwork lines and still isn't eligible - the gates are a chain, and Stage 7's count does not care how beautiful the PlayBook page is.

- Treating a NO as a verdict on you. It is a route: the line names its stage, the stage names its work, and the work is the kind you have already done once.

- Re-running only the failed line weeks later. Artefacts age - the re-certification line fastest of all - so a re-audit is a full audit. It takes an hour; the alternative is certifying a life you have moved out of.

## DO IT - RUN YOUR OWN AUDIT, IN WRITING

Print the Readiness Audit sheet (Downloads) and score your own record exactly as this lesson scored the sample: one line per gate, the artefact named and dated beside every YES, NO for anything borderline or unpapered. Answer the re-certification five as of TODAY, not as of your Stage 0 sitting. If every line passes, sign and date the card and keep it with the journal - it is gate artefact one of two for this stage. If a line fails, write the route beside it (the stage, the work, the count you are short by) and treat that writing as this lesson completed honestly: the audit has done its job either way. Paper and paperwork only - this lesson funds nothing and opens nothing.

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