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Ichimoku Itto: Timeframe & Preset Guide

How to pick timeframes and presets for your market and trading style: SET50 index futures (S50), gold (XAUUSD), US stocks and crypto.

Five principles

1. **Choose the preset by your Decision TF.** The preset in Itto also drives every row of the MTF table, so pick it for the timeframe you make decisions on, not the one you happen to be viewing.
2. **Intraday: use Classic.** Below Daily, no preset has calendar meaning because periods count bars, not days. Use the settings most traders watch.
3. **Daily and above: count the trading days.** 5-day markets use Classic (cross-check with 5-Day Week). 7-day markets use Crypto (cross-check with Classic).
4. **Use three timeframe layers.** Direction gives permission, Decision selects the setup and exit, Timing finds the entry. Keep about 4–7x between layers.
5. **Conflicting timeframes = chop = wait.** If Direction and Decision disagree, there is no trade yet.

The three presets in Itto

Classic

`9 / 26 / 52 · disp 26`

The standard most traders use. Often explained as dating from Japan's 6-day trading week (26 ≈ one month); these are also the basic numbers (Kihon Suchi) in Hosoda's time theory.

5-Day Week

`7 / 22 / 44 · disp 22`

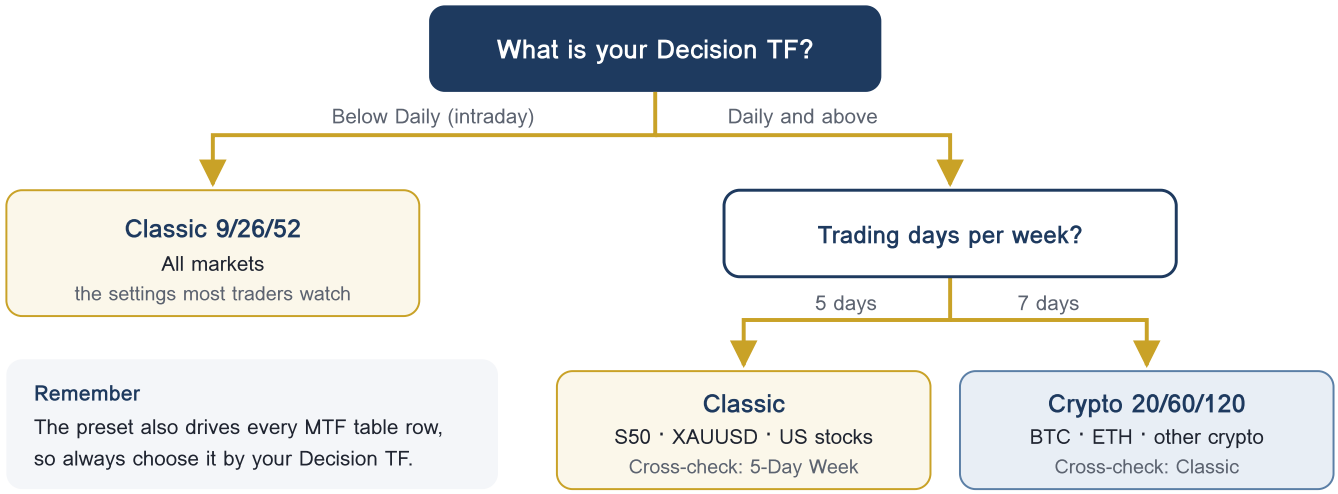
Adjusted for markets open 5 days a week (22 trading days ≈ one month). Slightly faster; best used as a Daily cross-check.

Crypto

`20 / 60 / 120 · disp 30`

For 24/7 markets with 7 daily bars per week. Slower, smoother lines; use on Daily and above for crypto.

Choosing a preset



Every 5-day market, including XAUUSD (open 23/5), prints 5 daily bars per week, so it uses Classic. The Crypto preset is only for markets open 7 days.

Timeframes by market and style

Swing trading uses Daily (or Weekly) for direction and decides one layer lower. **Trend following** decides on Daily (Weekly for US stocks) and holds until the trend breaks.



Market	Style	Direction · Decision · Timing	Preset	MTF table (TF1–TF4)
S50	Swing	D · 1H · 15m	Classic	`15 / 60 / D / W`
	Trend	W · D · 1H*	Classic + 5-Day Week check	`60 / D / W / M`
XAUUSD	Swing	D · 4H · 1H	Classic	`60 / 240 / D / W`
	Trend	W · D · 4H	Classic + 5-Day Week check	`240 / D / W / M`
US stocks	Swing	W · D · 1H	Classic + 5-Day Week check	`60 / D / W / M`
	Trend	M · W · D	Classic	`60 / D / W / M`
Crypto	Swing	D · 4H · 1H	Classic	`60 / 240 / D / W`
	Trend	W · D · 4H	Crypto + Classic check	`60 / 240 / D / W`

* For S50 trend trades you can enter on the daily close; use 1H only for a better entry · `60 / 240 / D / W` is Itto's default · Holding periods are rough estimates based on Kijun length on the Decision TF.

> **Why some markets break the pattern:** S50 skips 4H because the TFEX lunch break makes 4H bars uneven, so 1H is used instead. US stocks keep Daily as the Decision TF even for swing trades, because overnight and earnings gaps make intraday decisions unreliable.

Tuning Itto for your style

Setting	Swing trading	Trend following	Why
Preset	Principle 1: choose by Decision TF (see previous page)		The preset drives every MTF table row
Strong threshold	4 (default)	**5**	Trend waits for all 5 checks before entry, accepting a later entry
Chop score band	1 (default)	**2**	Trend followers lose most in sideways markets, so widen the no-trade zone
Kijun slope lookback	5 (default)	**9**	Measure slope over a longer window to cut noise (9 is one of Hosoda's basic numbers)
Lines shown	Tenkan + Kumo	Chikou + Kumo	Swing times entries with Tenkan · Trend confirms with Chikou
Candle colors	Strength shades	3 colors	Swing needs to see fading momentum early · Trend wants a calmer picture
Magnets	On · Flat bars 8	On · Flat bars 8	Use as support/resistance and scale-out levels
Alerts	Strong Up/Down on Timing TF · Enter Chop on Decision TF	Aligned Up/Down and Enter Chop on Decision TF	All alerts fire on confirmed bars; set each on its own chart TF

Playbooks (long side · mirror for shorts)

Swing trading

1 · Permission
Direction TF row in the table: score ≥ +60%

2 · Setup
Decision TF pulls back toward Tenkan or Kijun while Zone stays Trending

3 · Trigger
Timing TF prints Strong Up or 3/3 Aligned Up

4 · Manage
Stop below the pullback low · scale out at a magnet or the prior swing high

5 · Exit
Decision TF closes below Kijun, or Zone turns Chop

Trend following

1 · Permission
Direction TF row in the table: score ≥ +60% and Aligned = Up

2 · Setup
Decision TF exits Chop with a bullish future Kumo

3 · Trigger
Decision TF prints 3/3 Aligned Up or Strong Up (threshold 5)

4 · Manage
Reduce on a close below Decision TF Kijun · no fixed profit target

5 · Exit
Decision TF closes back inside the Kumo (Enter Chop) or the score turns negative

Keep your main chart on the Decision TF: Zone, Strong/Aligned marks and candle colors are calculated on the chart's timeframe. Watch the Timing TF on a second chart or with alerts.

> **All values are principle-based starting points,** not optimized from backtests. Trade them for a while, keep a record, and adjust per market from your own results.

Market-specific notes

S50 (SET50 index futures, TFEX)

- The lunch break makes 4H bars uneven; use 1H instead
- The continuous contract gaps at each quarterly rollover, which can distort Kumo and Chikou; check the SET50 index alongside
- Futures trade both ways; mirror the playbooks for shorts

XAUUSD

- Open 23/5: 5 daily bars per week, so use Classic, not Crypto
- Data feeds cut the daily bar at different times, shifting the Kumo slightly; stick to one feed
- Around FOMC, CPI and NFP, price often spikes through the Kumo on lower TFs and reverses; lean on the Daily

US stocks

- Daily stays the Decision TF even for swing trades because of overnight and earnings gaps
- On intraday charts, use regular trading hours (no pre/post market)
- Avoid opening new positions right before earnings · recent IPOs may not have a Kumo on W/M yet

Crypto

- 7 daily bars per week, so use the Crypto preset when deciding on Daily and above
- The Crypto preset on Weekly needs roughly 3+ years of data; newer coins may not have a Kumo
- Prices differ slightly by exchange; stick to one exchange

Cross-checking two presets on Daily

1. Add a second copy of Ichimoku Itto to your Daily chart
2. Set its preset to 5-Day Week (or Classic for crypto)
3. Turn off its Table, Strong/Aligned marks, magnets and candle colors, leaving only Kijun and Kumo
4. If both agree (e.g. price above both clouds), confidence rises · if they disagree, treat it as chop and wait

Each copy uses one indicator slot under your TradingView plan.

The one-line summary

> Choose the preset by Decision TF: intraday and 5-day markets use **Classic** · crypto on Daily and above uses **Crypto** · Trend decides on Daily or higher and holds until price closes back inside the Kumo · Swing moves the decision one layer lower (except US stocks) · when timeframes disagree, wait.