# **Purchase the Option Traders Template/MTM Election**

#### 32-bit Office Recommended for most Users

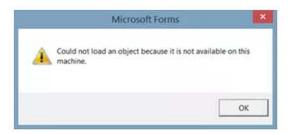
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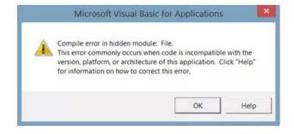
We [Microsoft] recommend the **32-bit version of Office for most users** because it's **more compatible with most other applications**, especially third-party add-ins. This is why the 32-bit version of Office 2013 is installed by default, even on 64-bit Windows operating systems. On these systems, the 32-bit Office client is supported as a Windows-32-on-Windows-64 (WOW64) installation. WOW64 is the x86 emulator that enables 32-bit Windows-based applications to run seamlessly on 64-bit Windows systems. This lets users continue to use existing **Microsoft ActiveX Controls** and **COM add-ins** with 32-bit Office.

## ActiveX Controls Error Messages



The Option Traders Template uses Microsoft
ActiveX Controls for a number of features. If
you do not have the latest ActiveX controls
loaded onto your computer or laptop you can
download it with the template. Without that file
(mscomctl.ocx) you will receive the error
message to the left

You may also receive a subsequent error message (shown to the right) for the same reason. Microsoft has updated its ActiveX Controls on a number of occasions. There is a debate about the efficacy of using ActiveX Controls. You can read more about them <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> or simply search for it with your favorite browser.



#### Workaround for ActiveX Control

Install a working version of mscomctl.ocx from a working client device by manually registering it.

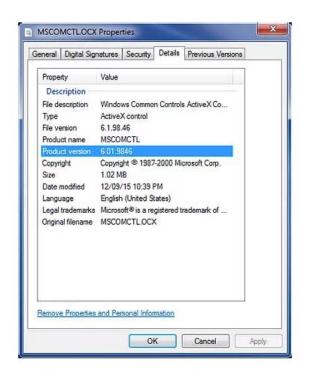
Heres how:

Download the file **mscomctl.ocx** into one of the following subdirectories, depending on your operating system.

The steps to register the new OCX file is:

- 1. Click Start, type cmd
- 2. Right-click the cmd icon, and then click Run as Administrator.
- 3. Depending on your operating system:
- For 64-bit operating systems, type the following:
   Regsvr32 /u "C:\Windows\Sys\WO\W64\MSCOMCTL.OCX"
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- For 32-bit operating systems, type the following:
   Regsvr32 /u "C:\Windows\System32\MSCOMCTL.OCX"
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There is a working version of mscomctl.ocx located with the Trial Version and can be downloaded here.



If you do not want to download and install the **ActiveX Controls** you will not be able to use the **Option Traders Template**. In that case thank you for your interest in the Template and feel free to use the rest the the OptionTaxGuy website for your tax needs.

# Macro Warning for Excel Templates

The following image is an example of the Message Bar when macros are in the file.



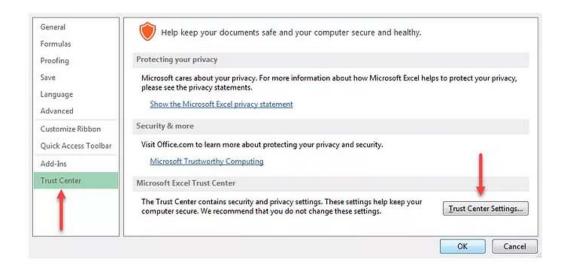
- 1. Click the File tab.
- 2. Click Info.
- 3. In the Security Warning section, click Enable Content.



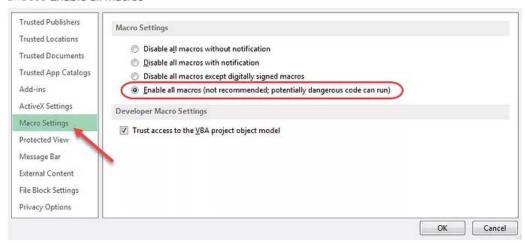
- 4. Two options appear: Enable All Content and Advanced Options.
  - Enable All Content Make the file a trusted document to allow active content to run.
  - Advanced Options Select which active content runs for this session. This enables the content for one time, only.
     The Message Bar appears when you re-open the file.

### In Other Versions of Excel ...

- 1. Click the File tab
- 2. Click Options
- 3. Click Trust Center
- 4. Click Trust Center Settings...



- 5. Click the Macro Setting
- 6. Choose Enable all macros



There are no malicious macros in the Option Traders Template, the MTM Election template or the Tax Reporting template. However, you should be careful when downloading other templates from the internet because they may now be considered Trusted Documents.