## Resolution Life

# Our Investment Growth Bond 

Invest smarter

## INVEST SMARTER

## What are investment bonds?

Investment bonds, also called insurance bonds, combine the features of a managed fund and a life insurance policy, offering security and tax effective investing.

## Our Investment Growth Bond

Our award winning, tax-paid Investment Growth Bond (Bond) offers flexibility, capital guarantees and easy investing to suit a wide range of investors.

You can select from a range of investment options that invest in assets such as Australian and global shares, property, fixed income and cash. We offer five single-sector options and four multi-sector options.

One of the main tax benefits of our Investment Growth Bond is that tax on earnings is paid by us at the company tax rate of 30 per cent.

Investment earnings on our Investment Growth Bond generally don't have to be declared in your tax return, unless you make a withdrawal within the first 10 years of holding the policy.
No personal tax is payable on the Bond once you've held it for 10 years and continue to satisfy the $125 \%$ rule. If you withdraw before 10 years, you may be able to take advantage of the 30 per cent tax offset.

You can also benefit from no personal capital gains tax on investment switches, withdrawals and change of beneficial ownership, plus our unique guarantees protect your capital from market risk.

## Our awards

We're proud winners of the Association of Financial Advisers (AFA) Investment Bond Award 15 years running (2008 through to 2022)*.


We're also proud winners of the 2020, 2021 and 2022 Plan For Life Investment Bond Excellence Awards.


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## Why choose us?

Resolution Life Australasia Limited (Resolution Life) is one of the largest life insurers in Australasia proudly serving over 1 million customers, providing them with competitive premiums, quality investment management, excellent customer service and efficient claims management. We are committed to providing our customers with peace of mind that their insurance, superannuation and investment policies are in safe and trusted hands for the long term.
We can help you invest with confidence in a flexible, tax-effective Investment Growth Bond, so you can build wealth for the future.


## WHO ARE INVESTMENT GROWTH BONDS SUITABLE FOR?

From young children to grandparents, high income earners to retirees, our Investment Growth Bond suits a variety of investors needs.


## Benefits for you

- Investment earnings are taxed at the company tax rate of 30 per cent
- No personal tax on withdrawals if the Bond is held for 10 years (10-year rule)
- You can also contribute each year up to $125 \%$ of the previous year's contribution (' $125 \%$ rule') and still satisfy the 10-year rule
- Little or no annual tax reporting unless you make a withdrawal.


## Benefits for you



## Families

looking to save for a child's future

- You can set up a Child Advancement Policy and within limits nominate when ownership transfers to a child
- A range of investment options to choose from
- Access your money at any time.


## Retirees

looking for a taxeffective income stream

- A 30 per cent tax offset applies on the tax payable on any profit element of your withdrawal.


## People looking for...


certainty in estate planning and distributing their wealth

## Benefits for you

- Our Investment Option Guarantees provide certainty around the minimum value of your holding in an investment option. These are offered on four of the nine investment options
- Beneficiaries receive the proceeds tax-paid
- The Death Benefit Guarantee can provide certainty around the minimum amount that your beneficiaries will receive.
- A range of mutli-sector and single sector

an investment with growth potential combined with capital protection investment options with risk/return profiles to suit your needs
- Our investment option guarantee, offered on four of our investment options, can provide capital protection
- Our Death Benefit Guarantee provides certainty on the minimum amount that will be paid on death.
- No work test applies for contributions
alternatives to super
- No contribution or lifetime caps apply
- Access your money at any time.


## TAX BENEFITS

How Investment Growth Bond earnings are taxed over a ten year period and beyond
If you withdraw within the first eight years, your earnings are taxed in full at your marginal tax rate.


If you withdraw during the ninth year, two thirds of your earnings are included in assessable income. The remainder is tax-paid.


If you withdraw during the 10th year, a third of your earnings are included in assessable income. The remainder is tax-paid.


After the 10th year, none of your earnings are subject to personal tax - you pay no tax on withdrawals if you have satisfied the $125 \%$ rule.


The above tax treatment of withdrawals assumes the $125 \%$ rule has been met. A tax offset may apply to any potential tax.
liability from any profit element of the withdrawal to compensate for the tax we have paid. If your personal tax rate is less than 30 per cent, any excess (unused) tax offset may be used to reduce tax on other income.

## The 125\% rule

Your first policy year starts the day the Bond is set up, and each subsequent year starts one day prior to this anniversary date. You can make unlimited contributions, in addition to your initial investment during the first policy year.
After the first year, you have the opportunity to invest up to 125\% of the previous full year's contributions without changing the original start date for tax purposes.
The $125 \%$ rule means you can make additional contributions that are considered part of the original investment amount, so not every additional contribution to the Bond has to be invested for 10 years for your earnings to receive the tax-paid status.
If you know a contribution will exceed the $125 \%$ rule and you want to preserve your original taxpaid status, you may prefer to start a new policy with this additional contribution.
Otherwise if contributions exceed 125\% of the previous year's investment in any year, the 10-year tax period would reset to year one.
We recommend you discuss this with your financial adviser.
We will keep you informed of your previous year's contributions by sending you an annual statement for the period ended 30 June every year.

## An example of how it works

The maximum annual contributions you can make while complying with the $125 \%$ rule is illustrated below. This scenario assumes an initial investment of \$10,000 in the first year, followed by the maximum yearly contribution allowable under the $125 \%$ rule.

You can continue to benefit from the $125 \%$ rule for the life of your investment, the opportunity does not reset after 10 years.

Maximum additional contributions you can make under the $125 \%$ rule


## The Death Benefit Guarantee

The Death Benefit Guarantee provides certainty around the minimum amount that will be paid on the death of the last surviving Life Insured, which can be particularly important during times of market uncertainty.
We guarantee that if the last surviving Life Insured dies on or prior to their 99th birthday, we will pay the greater of the following amounts as at the day all our claim requirements are met:
a) the cash value of the Bond. The cash value is the number of units held in the Bond multiplied by the unit price applicable at the relevant date.
OR
b) the lesser of the Net Contribution Value and the Maximum Amount.

The Net Contribution Value is the total value of all deposits less any withdrawals that have been deducted during the life of the policy, less any Switching fees, Withdrawal fees and Adviser Service Fees deducted during the life of the policy.
The Maximum Amount is limited to $\$ 1$ million per Life Insured (or such other amount we advise you in writing). Where multiple Bond policies have the same Life Insured nominated, we will guarantee a total of the Maximum Amount across all policies. Any decrease in the guarantee to the Maximum Amount would only apply to new policies from the date of the change. To qualify for the Death Benefit Guarantee, the younger Life Insured on the policy must be aged less than 85 years of age at policy commencement.


On the death of the last surviving life insured we will pay the greater of a) or b)
a) The cash value

50,000 units $\times \$ 2.50$ unit price $=\$ 125,000$
b) The lesser of the Net Contribution Value and the Maximum Amount
$\$ 120,000$ (initial contribution) + \$50,000 (additional contributions) - \$9,000 (withdrawals) $\$ 1,000$ (Adviser Service Fees) $=\$ 160,000$

In the example we would pay $\$ 160,000$. The $\$ 35,000$ difference between this amount and the cash value represents the Death Benefit Guarantee.

You can find out more by downloading our Product Disclosure Statement available at resolutionlife.com.au/aia/igb or by calling us on 1800624100.

## YOU'RE INVESTING IN SAFE HANDS

## Investment option guarantees

Investment option guarantees are designed to provide certainty around the minimum value of an investors holding in an investment option. They are available on four of our nine investment options, the NC-Cash, NC-Global Fixed Income, NC-Conservative and NC-Diversified investment options. The nature of the guarantees differ across each of the investment options, see the PDS for full details.

If you withdraw or switch units out of the investment option after they've been held by you for a minimum period (two years for the NC-Global Fixed Interest option and three years for the NCConservative and NC-Diversified options), the unit price used to calculate the withdrawal or switch will be at least equal to the price at the time the you were allocated those units or switched into this option. The cash option offers a guarantee that the unit price will never fall irrespective of the length of time you have held our Investment Growth Bond.

## How it works

For example, if you invest $\$ 100,000$ in the NC-Diversified option and the unit price at application was $\$ 1.00$. After four years you withdraw 50,000 units, and the unit price at the date of withdrawal is $\$ 0.78$. This withdrawal is after the guarantee period of at least three years, so you receive $50,000 \times \$ 1.000=\$ 50,000$ rather than the current unit price of $\$ 0.78$ which would have been $\$ 39,000$. The guarantee protects against market risk.


Years since application date

## Minimum investment amounts

| Minimum amounts | Minimum | Payment Method |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Initial investment | $\$ 1,000$ | BPAY ${ }^{\circledR} /$ cheque/direct credit |
| Additional contributions | $\$ 200$ | BPAY ${ }^{\circledR} /$ cheque/direct credit |
| Balance per investment option | $\$ 200$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| Investment option switches | $\$ 200$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| Partial withdrawals | $\$ 1,000$ | Direct credit |
| Automatic regular withdrawals | $\$ 500$ | Direct credit |

## Automatic regular withdrawals

You can access your money at any time and where the cash value of your Investment Growth Bond is greater than $\$ 10,000$, you can set up an automatic withdrawal facility, where money can be paid into your bank account on a monthly, quarterly, half-yearly or yearly basis.

Fees

| Management fee | $0.85 \%$ to $1.50 \%$ p.a. (Depends on the investment option(s) <br> you select) |
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| Switching fee | Nil |
| Withdrawal fee | Nil |
| Adviser Service Fee | Agreed between you and your adviser(s) |

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## How to invest

To invest in our Investment Growth Bond you will need to:

- Read the Product Disclosure Statement
- Complete an application form
- Invest a minimum of $\$ 1,000$.


## To find out more

- Speak to your financial adviser
- Call 1800624100 between 9 am and 5 pm (AEST/AEDT), Monday to Friday excluding public holidays
- Visit resolutionlife.com.au/aia/igb


## Important Information

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