

# Remote Advice Service Terms & Conditions

SIP Wealth Management, 11 Axis Court, Mallard Way, Swansea Vale, Swansea, SA7 0AJ is an appointed representative of WPS Financial Group Ltd which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. The Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) regulates the financial services industry in the UK and their address is 25 The North Colonnade, Canary Wharf, London, E14 5HS.

Our Financial Services Register numbers are 593651 (SIP Wealth Management) and 583474 (WPS Financial Group Ltd). You can check this on the FCA's Register by visiting the FCA's website www.fca.org.uk/firms/systems-reporting/register.

SIP Wealth Management permitted business is advising on and arranging savings and investment products, pensions, structured products, mortgages and non-investment insurance contracts.

## How we will classify you

We treat all our clients as "Retail Clients" unless you request otherwise for investment business. This means you are provided with the highest level of protection under the regulatory system and should have the right to take any complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

Any advice or recommendation(s) we offer to you will only be given after we have assessed your needs and considered your financial objectives, attitude to risk and capacity to bear any losses. We will also take into account any restrictions that you wish to place on these types of products or investment strategy you would be willing to consider.

#### How you are protected

If you make a complaint and we are unable to meet our liabilities, you may be entitled to compensation from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). For investment business you will be covered up to a maximum of  $\pounds$ 85,000.

Further information about these amounts and limits for all other product types are available from the FSCS at http://www.fscs.org.uk/what-we-cover/ products

#### If you have a complaint

If you wish to register a complaint, please write to The Compliance Officer, WPS Financial Group Ltd, 11 Axis Court, Swansea Vale, Swansea SA7 0AJ or telephone 01792 720200. A summary of our internal complaints handling procedures for the reasonable and prompt handling of complaints is available on request and if you cannot settle your complaint with us, you may be entitled to refer it to the Financial Ombudsman Service at www.financial-ombudsman. org.uk or by contacting them on 0800 023 4567

## How we verify your identity (Anti-Money laundering)

We are required by the anti-money laundering regulations to verify the identity of our clients, to obtain information as to the purpose and nature of the business which we conduct on their behalf, and to ensure that the information we hold is up-to-date. For this purpose, we may use electronic identity verification systems and we may conduct these checks from time to time throughout our relationship, not just at the beginning.

# Your Cancellation rights

In most cases you can exercise a right to cancel by withdrawing from the contract. In general terms you will normally have a 30 day cancellation period for a life, pure protection, payment protection or pension policy and a 14 day cancellation period for all other policies. For investments this will typically start when funds are invested and for pure protection policies this will normally begin when you are informed that the contract has been concluded or, if later, when you have received the contractual terms and conditions. Instructions for exercising the right to cancel, if applicable, will be contained in the relevant product information issued to you.

If you cancel a single premium contract, you may incur a loss due to market movements, This means that, in certain circumstances, you might not get back the full amount you invested if you cancel the policy.

# VAT

Under current legislation our services are not subject to VAT but should this change in future, and where VAT becomes due, we will notify you before conducting any further work.

## **Client money**

SIP Wealth Management is not permitted to handle client money and we cannot accept a cheque made out to us (unless it is in respect of an item for which we have sent you an invoice) or handle cash.

# Documentation

We will endeavour to make arrangements for all your investments to be registered in your name unless you first instruct us otherwise in writing. All policy documents will be forwarded to you as soon as practicable after we receive them. If there are a number of documents relating to a series of transactions, we will normally hold each document until the series is complete and then forward them to you.

## Your Instructions

We only accept instructions in writing (paper or electronic means) to aid clarification and avoid future misunderstandings. We will not act on an oral instruction to avoid any possible misunderstandings.

## Material Interest

We will act honestly, fairly and professionally known as conducting business in the 'Client's best interest' regulations. Occasionally situations may arise where we or one of our other clients have some form of interest in business transacted for you. If this happens or we become aware that our interests or those of one of our other clients conflict with your interest, we will write to you and obtain your consent before we carry out your instructions, and detail the steps we will take to ensure fair treatment.

# Law

This client agreement is governed and shall be construed in accordance with English Law and the parties shall submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts.

## Force Majeure

SIP Wealth Management Ltd shall not be in breach of this Agreement and shall not incur any liability to you if there is any failure to perform its duties due to any circumstances reasonably beyond its control.

# Termination

The authority to act on your behalf may be terminated at any time without penalty by either party giving seven days' notice in writing to that effect to the other, but without prejudice to the completion of transactions already initiated. Any transactions effected before termination and a due proportion of any period charges for services shall be settled to that date.

## **Our Ethical Policy**

We are committed to providing the highest standard of financial advice and service. Your interests are of paramount importance to us and for any advice or service we provide we will:

- Be open, honest and transparent in the way we deal with you
- Not place our interests above yours
- Communicate clearly, promptly and without jargon
- Seek your views and perception of our dealings with you to ensure it meets your expectations or to identify any improvements required

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