

# Window Smart Forward Contract

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# Window Smart Forward Contract (WSFC) Summary

Issuer	Westpac Banking Corporation (ABN 33 007 457 141 AFSL 233714).
Purpose	A WSFC is a foreign exchange product designed to assist you in reducing your foreign exchange risk. It may help you to manage a currency risk you are exposed to.
Suitability	A WSFC may be suitable if you have a good understanding of foreign exchange markets and have a genuine commercial need to manage currency risk associated with a particular currency pair. It should not be used for trading or speculative purposes.
Costs	There are no up-front out-of-pocket costs with a WSFC. See the section titled 'What are the costs?' on page 7 for more information.
Key Benefits	<b>Protection</b> - A WSFC provides you with protection against unfavourable exchange rate movements.
	<b>Coverage</b> - WSFCs are available for a wide range of currencies. Please contact us to confirm your desired currency is covered. Our contact details are set out on the back cover.
	Participation in favourable exchange rate movements – Potential to participate in favourable exchange rate movements that may occur provided a nominated Trigger Level is not reached during a nominated Trigger Period.
	<b>Flexibility</b> - Key variables, including Trigger Level, Trigger Period and Contract Ratio can be tailored to meet your particular needs.
	See the section titled 'Key Benefits' on page 7 for more information.
Key Risks	Opportunity loss and potential obligation to exchange an amount greater than the Contract Amount – You will not receive the benefit of favourable exchange rate movements that may occur if a nominated Trigger Level is reached during the nominated Trigger Period. In certain situations, the amount of currency you need to deliver increases if the Trigger Level is reached.
	Variation/Early termination - You can vary or terminate a WSFC early but there may be a cost if you do so.
	No cooling-off period - There is no cooling-off period.
	<b>Counterparty and operational risk</b> - We have performance obligations under a WSFC. You need to form a judgment of our ability to meet those obligations.
	<b>Currency restrictions</b> - Some currencies may be subject to legal and regulatory obligations.
	<b>Use of agent and correspondent banks</b> - We may use agents and correspondent banks to deliver some currencies (other than Australian dollars).
	See the section titled 'Key Risks' on page 8 and the section titled 'Can I terminate a WSFC before maturity?' on page 7 for more information.
Term	1 week to 2 years (longer terms may be available on request).
Minimum Transaction Amount	The minimum transaction amount is AUD 25,000 or the foreign currency equivalent.
How to Apply	Contact your existing bank representative. Alternatively, you can contact us at the details listed at the back of this PIS.

### **Glossary**

To help you to understand this PIS, the meanings of some words used in this PIS are set out below.

**AUD** means Australian dollars.

**Clear Funds** means funds that are immediately available on settlement.

**Confirmation** means a letter confirming the terms of a particular WSFC.

**Contract Amount** means the agreed amount as set out as such in the Confirmation. It is to be exchanged under the WSFC.

**Contract Rate** means the agreed exchange rate at which the Currency Pair may be exchanged.

**Contract Ratio** means the ratio used to calculate the amount of currency that must be exchanged at the Contract Rate if the Trigger Level is reached during the Trigger Period and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is more favourable than the Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time.

**Currency Pair** means the two currencies applying in respect of a WSFC. The Currency Pair must be acceptable to us.

**Cut-Off Time** means the time and date set out as such in the Confirmation. It is the time and date at which the outcome of the WSFC will be determined.

**Forward Exchange Rate** means the price of one currency in terms of another currency for delivery on a specified date in the future taking into account our costs and profit margin. This is the rate that we would make available to you at the relevant time.

Global Foreign Exchange Rate means the exchange rate for the WSFC Currency Pair that is based on the price of one or more actual foreign exchange transactions in the Global Market involving the Currency Pair (or crossrates constituting the Currency Pair). This rate will be determined by us in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. This rate is the rate that we use to determine whether or not the Trigger Level is reached.

**Global Market** means the global spot foreign exchange market, open continuously from 5.00am Sydney time on a Monday in any week to 5.00pm New York time of the Friday of that week.

**Market Foreign Exchange Rate** means the price of one currency in terms of another currency for delivery on the same day after taking into account our costs and profit margin. This is the rate that we would make available to you at the relevant time.

**Maturity Date** means the date set out as such in the Confirmation. It is the date on which the Currency Pair will be exchanged under the WSFC.

**Trigger Level** means the agreed exchange rate which triggers your obligation to transact at the Contract Rate.

**Trigger Period** means the period commencing at 10am Sydney time on the first day of the nominated Trigger Period and finishing at 10am Sydney time on the last day of the nominated Trigger Period. The Trigger Period is the period used for the purposes of determining whether or not the Trigger Level is reached. The Trigger Period for a WSFC will be set out in the Confirmation.

**USD** means United States dollars.

**We**, **our** or **us** means Westpac Banking Corporation and includes us trading as St.George Bank, Bank of Melbourne and BankSA.

**Westpac Group** means Westpac Banking Corporation and its related bodies corporate.

**WSFC** and **Window Smart Forward Contract** means the product the subject of this PIS.

**You**, **your** means the customer entering into a WSFC.

**Zero Cost Structure** means a structure where the relevant foreign exchange rates in relation to a WSFC are set so that there are no up-front out-of-pocket costs payable by you. The cost is effectively embedded in the foreign exchange rates applicable to the WSFC.

# Window Smart Forward Contract (WSFC)

#### What is a WSFC?

A WSFC is an agreement with us that provides you with protection against unfavourable exchange rate movements by setting a Contract Rate at which you can exchange one currency for another. At the same time it provides you with some ability to participate in any favourable exchange rate movements as long as the pre-agreed Trigger Level is not reached during the nominated Trigger Period. In certain situations, the amount of currency you need to deliver may increase if the Trigger Level is reached.

A WSFC may be useful in managing the currency risk associated with exporting or importing goods denominated in foreign currency, investing or borrowing overseas, repatriating profits, converting foreign currency denominated dividends, or settling other foreign currency contractual arrangements.

#### How do WSFCs work?

When you enter into a WSFC, you nominate the two currencies to be exchanged. These currencies are known as the Currency Pair and must be acceptable to us.

We agree to a Contract Rate, a Contract Ratio, a Trigger Level and a Trigger Period. Although you will have input into the setting of these rates, the rates selected must achieve a Zero Cost Structure. (see 'What are the costs?' on page 7). Not all selections will achieve a Zero Cost Structure and we will help you calculate the rates needed to do so. The Contract Rate is your level of exchange rate protection. The Trigger Level is the nominated foreign exchange rate which, if reached during the Trigger Period, immediately triggers your obligation to exchange currencies at the Contract Rate on the Maturity Date.

The Contract Ratio is used to calculate the amount of currency that must be exchanged at the Contract Rate if the Trigger Level is reached during the Trigger Period and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is more favourable than the Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time.

If the Trigger Level is not reached during the Trigger Period you can benefit from any favourable exchange rate movements that occur. The extent of this benefit will depend on where the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is at the Cut-Off Time.

On the Maturity Date the possible outcomes under a WSFC are:

- if the Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the Cut-Off Time is the same as or less favourable to you than the Contract Rate, the Contract Amount must be exchanged with us at the Contract Rate.
- if the Global Foreign Exchange Rate does not reach the Trigger Level at any time during the Trigger Period and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the Cut-Off Time is more favourable to you than the Contract Rate, you have no obligation to exchange your currency. You can choose to separately exchange your currency at the prevailing Market Foreign Exchange Rate if you wish to do so.
- if the Global Foreign Exchange Rate reaches the Trigger Level at any time during the Trigger Period and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the Cut-Off Time is more favourable to you than the Contract Rate, a multiple of the Contract Amount must be exchanged with us at the Contract Rate.

The amount to be exchanged is calculated by us using the following formula:

[Contract Ratio multiplied by Contract Amount]

The Contract Ratio is generally set at 1.0; however, you have the flexibility to set it higher or lower.

When setting the Contract Ratio and the Contract Amount you need to ensure that:

- if the Contract Amount multiplied by the Contract Ratio you set is less than your foreign exchange exposure for the specified Maturity Date, you are comfortable with the risk on the unprotected amount:
- if the Contract Amount multiplied by the Contract Ratio is greater than your exposure for the specified Maturity Date, you can apply the additional currency amount against future exposures.

#### How do we monitor the exchange rate?

We will monitor the relevant foreign exchange markets to determine whether the Global Foreign Exchange Rate reaches the Trigger Level during the Trigger Period. This may occur at any time during the Trigger Period. We will advise you if it does as soon as practicable.

We will also monitor the relevant foreign exchange markets to determine your obligations as at the Cut-Off Time. Once again, we will advise you of the outcomes as soon as practicable. The Cut-Off Time and Maturity Date will be specified in the Confirmation that outlines the commercial terms of the transaction.

# Are there any credit requirements before dealing?

Before entering into a WSFC, we will assess your financial position to determine whether or not your situation satisfies our normal credit requirements. We will advise you of the outcome of its review as soon as possible.

If your application is successful, you will need to sign our standard finance documentation. This documentation sets out the terms of the credit approval and other matters relevant to your application.

#### What happens at maturity?

Depending on the terms of your WSFC, on the Maturity Date you may need to provide us with either foreign currency or Australian dollars (AUD). You can provide foreign currency either by telegraphic transfer or by transferring funds from a foreign currency account/deposit. You must provide AUD in Clear Funds. On receipt of the funds, we will deposit amounts owing to you into a bank account with us (in your name), denominated in the relevant currency. Alternative arrangements can be made with our agreement.

# Can I terminate a WSFC before maturity?

You may ask us to terminate a WSFC at any time up to the Cut-Off Time. We will then provide you with a termination quote. There will be a cost or a gain arising as a result of termination. If you accept the termination quote, we will terminate the WSFC.

Our quote will incorporate the same variables used when pricing the original WSFC. These will be adjusted for the prevailing conditions in respect of the remaining term of the WSFC. We will also need to consider the cost of reversing or offsetting your original transaction. When doing this we take into account the current market rates that apply to any offsetting transactions.

# Costs, Benefits and Risks

#### What are the costs?

There are no up-front out-of-pocket costs with a WSFC. The Contract Rate, Contract Ratio, Trigger Level and Trigger Period will be set at particular levels in order to create a Zero Cost Structure. When determining these rates, we take several factors into account including:

- the size and term of the WSFC;
- Global Foreign Exchange Rates;
- market volatility; and
- market interest rates of the countries of the Currency Pair.

While there are no up-front costs with WSFCs, we still derive a financial benefit by incorporating a margin into the Contract Rate and the Trigger Level. This means that these rates will be different to the market rate prevailing at that time. In effect you pay for the WSFC by accepting the Contract Rate, Trigger Level, Contract Ratio and Trigger Period agreed with us.

#### **Key Benefits**

#### **Protection**

WSFCs provide you with protection against unfavourable foreign exchange movements between the time you enter into a WSFC and the Cut-Off Time. This can assist you in managing your foreign currency exposures. On the Maturity Date, you will be protected at the Contract Rate for the Contract Amount.

#### Coverage

WSFCs are available for a wide range of currencies. Please contact us to confirm your desired currency is covered. Our contact details are set out on the back cover.

# Participation in favourable exchange rate movements

A WSFC provides you with the ability to participate in favourable exchange rate movements that may occur provided a nominated Trigger Level is not reached during the nominated Trigger Period.

#### **Flexibility**

WSFCs are flexible. Key variables, including Trigger Level, Trigger Period and Contract Ratio can be tailored to meet your particular needs.

#### **Key Risks**

#### Variation/Early termination

Terminations or variations to your WSFC may result in a cost to you – see the section titled 'Can I terminate a WSFC before maturity?' on page 7 for more information.

#### No cooling-off period

There is no cooling-off period. This means that, in most circumstances, once you enter into a WSFC you cannot terminate or vary the WSFC without our consent. See 'Variation/Early termination' section above.

# Opportunity loss and potential obligation to exchange an amount greater than the Contract Amount

Where the Trigger level is reached during the nominated Trigger Period you are obliged to transact the Contract Amount *multiplied* by the Contract Ratio at the Contract Rate on the Maturity Date. As such, on this amount, you will forego the benefit of any favourable exchange rate movement that occurs between the time you enter into a WSFC and the Cut-Off Time.

In certain situations where the Trigger Level is reached and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the Cut-Off Time is more favourable than the Contract Rate, you may have to exchange a greater amount at the Contract Rate because of the ratio component of the WSFC.

The rate achieved with a WSFC may not be as favourable as the rate you could have achieved with a forward foreign exchange contract or if you had not entered into any contract at all.

#### Counterparty and operational risk

As is the case with most financial markets products we enter into, we have performance obligations under a WSFC. If we are unable to perform our obligations under your WSFC, you may be exposed to foreign exchange rate fluctuations as if you had not entered into a WSFC.

Our ability to fulfil our obligations is linked to our financial wellbeing and to the effectiveness of our internal systems, processes and procedures. The first type of risk (our financial wellbeing) is commonly referred to as credit or **counterparty risk**. The second type of risk (the effectiveness of our internal systems, processes and procedures) is commonly referred to as **operational risk**.

You must make your own assessment of our ability to meet our obligations. However, as a regulated Australian bank we are subject to prudential regulation which is intended to reduce the risk of us failing to perform our obligations.

Further information about Westpac, including copies of our recent financial statements, is available on our website at westpac.com.au

#### **Currency restrictions**

Delivery of some currencies may be governed by, or subject to certain legal and regulatory requirements and obligations. It is your responsibility to ensure that these laws and regulations are complied with and we suggest you seek and obtain your own independent expert advice in relation to such matters.

#### Use of agent and correspondent banks

To deliver some currencies (other than AUD), we may use agents and correspondent banks. We will use reasonable care in the selection of such agents and correspondent banks.

If the agent or correspondent bank fails to deliver the required currency when due, we will work with the agent or correspondent bank to effect delivery. If after such action delivery cannot be made, we will promptly return your funds or make alternative arrangements with you.

To the extent allowed by law, we will not be liable for any direct or indirect losses, claims, actions or expenses incurred by you as a result of the failure by an agent or correspondent bank to deliver the required currency.

### **Examples**

The examples below are illustrative only and use rates and figures selected to demonstrate how the product works. In order to assess the merits of any WSFC, you would need to use the actual rates and figures quoted to you at the time. Note that the calculations below include rounding of decimal places.

#### Scenario 1 – Foreign Currency Payment

You are an Australian based importer due to pay 100,000 United States dollars (USD) in three months' time for goods bought overseas. At that time, you need to convert your AUD into USD.

Assume the current Market Foreign Exchange Rate is 0.6700 and the three-month Forward Exchange Rate is 0.6710.

## If I do nothing, what exchange rate risks do I face?

If you do nothing, the amount of AUD you will need in three months' time to obtain the USD you are due to pay will depend on the Market Foreign Exchange Rate applicable at that time.

If the AUD/USD exchange rate goes up, the USD will become less valuable and as a consequence, you will need less AUD when it is time to obtain the USD. Assume in this example that the AUD/USD Market Foreign Exchange Rate rises to 0.7200, then you will pay:

AUD 138,888.89 (= USD 100,000 / 0.7200)

If the AUD/USD Market Foreign Exchange Rate goes down, the opposite occurs and you will need more AUD. Assume the AUD/USD Market Foreign Exchange Rate falls to 0.6200, then you will pay:

AUD 161,290.32 (= USD 100,000 / 0.6200)

#### How will a WSFC change this?

Assume that you are unsure about the direction of the AUD against the USD and wish to protect yourself against the AUD depreciating against the USD, but also have the potential to participate in any favourable movements in the AUD.

You enter into a WSFC to buy USD 100,000 with AUD in three months' time and set the Contract Rate at 0.6660. You also set the Contract Ratio at 1.0 and define the Trigger Period to be the last month of the contract. This means that if the Trigger Level is reached during the Trigger Period and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is above the Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time, the maximum amount of foreign currency you will be required to purchase is USD 100,000 (your total exposure amount).

Based on these details, we determine the Trigger Level to be 0.6960.

The possible outcomes on the Maturity Date are:

- a) if the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is the same as or below the 0.6660 Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time, irrespective of whether or not the Trigger Level has been reached during the Trigger Period, you must exchange the Contract Amount at the Contract Rate. You will pay:
  - AUD 150,150.15 (= USD 100,000 / 0.6660)
- b) if the Trigger Level has not been reached at any time during the Trigger Period, and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is above the 0.6660 Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time, you have no obligation to exchange your AUD under the

WSFC. However, you may choose to separately exchange your AUD at the Market Foreign Exchange Rate. For example, if you choose to do this and the AUD/USD Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the time is 0.6900 you will pay:

AUD 144,927.54 (= USD 100,000 / 0.6900)

c) if the Trigger Level has been reached at any time during the Trigger Period, and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is above the 0.6660 Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time, you must exchange an amount equal to the Contract Amount *multiplied* by the Contract Ratio at the Contract Rate.

The amount you must exchange at the Contract Rate is USD 100,000 which is equal to the Contract Amount (USD 100,000) *multiplied* by the Contract Ratio (1.0). You will pay:

AUD 150,150.15 (= USD100,000 / 0.6660)

#### How can I change the range of outcomes?

You can change the range of possible outcomes by changing the Contract Rate, the Contract Ratio, the Trigger Period and as a result the corresponding Trigger Level. Once these are agreed the possible outcomes on the Maturity Date can be determined.

When agreeing the details of your WSFC you need to consider that:

- the Contract Rate only applies to the Contract Amount where the Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the Cut-Off Time is the same as or less favourable than the Contract Rate. If the Contract Amount is less than your actual exposure you may end up transacting the difference at a less favourable rate.
- a higher Contract Rate will reduce your exposure to a falling AUD/USD exchange rate. However, for a defined Trigger Period, because of the Zero Cost Structure, the Trigger Level will be set lower and/or the Contract Ratio will be higher. This will increase the likelihood of the Trigger Level being reached and/or the likelihood of you being required to purchase an amount of foreign currency in excess of the Contract Amount. Accordingly this will reduce the extent to which you can benefit from any favourable exchange rate movements that may occur.
- a lower Contract Rate will increase your exposure to a falling AUD/USD exchange rate. However, for a defined Trigger Period, because of the Zero Cost Structure, the Trigger Level will be set higher and/or the Contract Ratio will be set lower. This will reduce the likelihood of the Trigger Level being reached and/or the likelihood of you being required to purchase an amount of foreign currency in excess of the Contract Amount.

Accordingly, this will increase the extent to which you can benefit from any favourable exchange rate movements that may occur.

- the Contract Ratio determines the multiple of the Contract Amount that you may be obliged to deliver at maturity. It is generally set at 1.0. however it can be set higher or lower. The higher the ratio the less protection you will have where the Contract Ratio multiplied by the Contract Amount equals your exposure or, alternatively, the more excess foreign currency you may have to apply to future exposures where the Contract Amount equals your exposure. Because of the Zero Cost Structure, however, a higher Contract Ratio, for a defined Trigger Period, will produce a higher Contract Rate and/or a higher Trigger Level. A higher Trigger Level will reduce the likelihood of you being obliged to transact at the Contract Rate and in an amount of foreign currency in excess of the Contract Amount.
- just under the Trigger Level is the most favourable exchange rate that you can possibly transact at when the Trigger Period finishes at the Cut-Off Time of the WSFC. If the Trigger Level is reached during the Trigger Period you are obliged to transact at the Contract Rate; if it is not reached you can choose to transact at the prevailing Market Foreign Exchange Rate at maturity.
- where the Trigger Period does not finish at the Cut-Off Time of the WSFC (that is, it finishes before the Cut-Off Time) your ability to benefit from favourable exchange rate movements at the Cut-Off Time will not be capped. This is because the Global Foreign Exchange Rate at the Cut-Off Time may be higher than the Trigger Level but because this occurs outside of the Trigger Period it does not affect your obligations under the WSFC. However, because of the Zero Cost Structure, where your Trigger Period finishes before the Cut-Off Time, your Trigger Level and/or your Contract Rate will be less favourable and/or your Contract Ratio will be higher
- a shorter Trigger Period will reduce the likelihood of the Trigger Level being reached. However, because of the Zero Cost Structure, for a defined Contract Ratio your Trigger Level and/or your Contract Rate will be less favourable.

#### Scenario 2 – Foreign Currency Receipt

You are an Australian based exporter due to receive 120,000 United States dollars (USD) in three months' time for goods sold overseas. At that time, you need to convert the USD you will receive into AUD.

Assume the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is 0.6700 and the three-month Forward Exchange Rate is 0.6710.

# If I do nothing, what exchange rate risks do I face?

If you do nothing, the amount of AUD you will receive in three months' time for your USD will depend on the Market Foreign Exchange Rate applicable at that time.

If the AUD/USD exchange rate goes up, the USD will become less valuable and as a consequence, you will receive less AUD when it is time to exchange the USD. Assume in this example that the AUD/USD Market Foreign Exchange Rate rises to 0.7200, then you will receive:

AUD 166,666.67 (= USD 120,000 / 0.7200)

If the AUD/USD Market Foreign Exchange Rate goes down, the opposite occurs and you will receive more AUD. Assume the AUD/USD Market Foreign Exchange Rate falls to 0.6200, then you will receive:

AUD 193,548.39 (= USD 120,000 / 0.6200)

#### How will a WSFC change this?

Assume that you are unsure about the direction of the AUD against the USD and wish to protect yourself against the AUD appreciating against the USD, but also have the potential to participate in any favourable movements in the AUD.

You enter into a WSFC to sell USD 80,000 for AUD in 3 months' time and set the Contract Rate at 0.6760. You also set the Contract Ratio at 1.5 and define the Trigger Period to be the last month of the contract. This means that if the Trigger Level is reached during the Trigger Period and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is below the Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time, the maximum amount of foreign currency you will be required to deliver is USD 120,000 (your total exposure amount).

Based on these details we determine the Trigger Level to be 0.6220.

The possible outcomes on the Maturity Date are:

a) if the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is the same as or above the 0.6760 Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time, irrespective of whether or not the Trigger Level has been reached during the Trigger Period, you must exchange the Contract Amount at the Contract Rate. You will receive:

AUD 118,343.20 (= USD 80,000 / 0.6760)

You may choose to transact the remainder of your foreign exchange amount (USD 40,000) at the prevailing Market Foreign Exchange Rate.

For example, if you choose to do this and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the time is 0.7000, for the additional USD 40,000 you will receive:

AUD 57,142.86 (= USD 40,000 / 0.7000)

For the total amount of USD 120,000 you have then received:

AUD 175,486.05 (= AUD 118,343.20 + AUD 57,142.86)

In this case your effective exchange rate is 0.6838 (= USD 120,000 / AUD 175,486.05).

The lower the Market Foreign Exchange Rate at which you convert the remaining USD 40,000 the lower your overall rate. Your overall rate will be higher than the Contract Rate but lower than the Market Foreign Exchange Rate available to you at that time.

b) if the Trigger Level has not been reached at any time during the Trigger Period, and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is below the 0.6760 Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time, you have no obligation to exchange your AUD under the WSFC. However, you may choose to separately exchange your AUD at the Market Foreign Exchange Rate. For example, if you choose to do this and the AUD/USD Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the time is 0.6300 you will receive:

AUD 190,476.19 (= USD 120,000 / 0.6300)

c) if the Trigger Level has been reached at any time during the Trigger Period, and the Market Foreign Exchange Rate is below the 0.6760 Contract Rate at the Cut-Off Time, you must exchange an amount equal to the Contract Amount *multiplied* by the Contract Ratio at the Contract Rate.

The amount you must exchange at the Contract Rate is USD 120,000 which is equal to the Contract Amount (USD 80,000) *multiplied* by the Contract Ratio (1.5). You will receive:

AUD 177,514.79 (= USD120,000 / 0.6760)

#### How can I change the range of outcomes?

You can change the range of possible outcomes by changing the Contract Rate, the Contract Ratio, the Trigger Period and as a result the corresponding Trigger Level. Once these are agreed the possible outcomes on the Maturity Date can be determined.

When agreeing the details of your WSFC you need to consider that:

- the Contract Rate only applies to the Contract Amount where the Market Foreign Exchange Rate at the Cut-Off Time is the same as or less favourable than the Contract Rate. If the Contract Amount is less than your actual exposure you may end up transacting the difference at a less favourable rate.
- a lower Contract Rate will reduce your exposure to a rising AUD/USD exchange rate. However, for a defined Trigger Period, because of the Zero Cost Structure, the Trigger Level will be set higher and/or the Contract Ratio will be higher. This will increase the likelihood of the Trigger Level being reached and/or the likelihood of you being required to sell an amount of foreign currency in excess of the Contract Amount. Accordingly this will reduce the extent to which you can benefit from any favourable exchange rate movements that may occur.
- a higher Contract Rate will increase your exposure to a rising AUD/USD exchange rate. However, for a defined Trigger Period, because of the Zero Cost Structure, the Trigger Level will be set lower and/or the Contract Ratio will be set lower. This will reduce the likelihood of the Trigger Level being reached and/or the likelihood of you being required to sell an amount of foreign currency in excess of the Contract Amount. Accordingly, this will increase the extent to which you can benefit from any favourable exchange rate movements that may occur.
- the Contract Ratio determines the multiple of the Contract Amount that you may be obliged to deliver at maturity. It is generally set at 1.0; however it can be set higher or lower. The higher the ratio the less protection you will have where the Contract Ratio multiplied by the Contract Amount equals your exposure or, alternatively, the more excess foreign currency you may have to apply to future exposures where the Contract Amount equals your exposure. Because of the Zero Cost Structure, however, a higher Contract Ratio, for a defined Trigger Period, will produce a lower Contract Rate and/or a lower Trigger Level. A lower Trigger Level will reduce the likelihood of you being obliged to transact at the Contract Rate and in an amount of foreign currency in excess of the Contract Amount.
- just above the Trigger Level is the most favourable exchange rate that you can possibly transact at when the Trigger Period finishes at the Cut-Off Time of the WSFC. If the Trigger Level is reached during the Trigger Period you

are obliged to transact at the Contract Rate; if it is not reached you can choose to transact at the prevailing Market Foreign Exchange Rate at maturity.

- where the Trigger Period does not finish at the Cut-Off Time of the WSFC (that is, it finishes before the Cut-Off Time) your ability to benefit from favourable exchange rate movements at the Cut-Off Time will not be capped. This is because the Global Foreign Exchange Rate at the Cut-Off Time may be lower than the Trigger Level but because this occurs outside of the Trigger Period it does not affect your obligations under the WSFC. However, because of the Zero Cost Structure, where your Trigger Period finishes before the Cut-Off Time, your Trigger Level and/or your Contract Rate will be less favourable and/or your Contract Ratio will be higher.
- a shorter Trigger Period will reduce the likelihood of the Trigger Level being reached. However, because of the Zero Cost Structure, for a defined Contract Ratio, your Trigger Level and/or your Contract Rate will be less favourable.

# Documentation and Confirmation

#### What documentation is required?

#### Master dealing agreement

You will need to sign a master dealing agreement if you want to enter into this product. This agreement will either be our own specific dealing agreement or an industry standard master dealing agreement.

We will advise you which master dealing agreement you need to sign.

The master dealing agreement governs the dealing relationship between you and us and sets out the terms and conditions that will apply to all transactions that we enter into with you that are covered by the agreement. In particular, they document the situations where those transactions can be terminated and the way the amount to be paid following termination is calculated.

You will be provided with a copy of the relevant master dealing agreement and we strongly recommend that you fully consider its terms before signing. You should obtain independent advice if you do not understand any aspect of the document.

If there is any inconsistency between this PIS and the master dealing agreement, the master dealing agreement prevails.

# Documentation for certain restricted currencies

Other documentation may be required when certain currencies are involved. Where possible, we will attempt to inform you of any specific requirements; however you are responsible for complying with any legal or regulatory obligations. We suggest that you seek and obtain your own independent, expert advice in relation to such matters.

#### Email or facsimile authority and indemnity

If you would like to provide us with email or facsimile instructions in relation to this product, we will require you to complete an email or facsimile authority and indemnity. The purpose of the email or facsimile authority and indemnity is to protect us against the consequences of acting upon instructions which may not represent your genuine wishes, but which appear to us to be genuine.

#### Other documentation

You may be requested to complete additional documentation before you enter into this product, depending on the outcome of our assessment of your creditworthiness. We will inform you if any further documentation is required at that time.

#### What about Confirmations?

The commercial terms of a particular transaction with us will be agreed at the time of dealing. This may occur over the phone or electronically. Once we reach an agreement, we are both bound by those terms.

Shortly after entering into this product, we will send you a Confirmation outlining the commercial terms of the transaction. You will need to sign this Confirmation and return it to us. This Confirmation evidences the transaction entered into under your master agreement with us.

It is extremely important that you check the Confirmation to make sure that it accurately records the terms of the transaction. If there is a discrepancy between your understanding and the Confirmation, you will need to raise it with us as a matter of urgency.

### **General Information**

#### What information we need from you

In order to enter into this product with you, we'll need some important details from you. Depending on the legal nature of your business (company, partnership etc) you will be required to provide certain documents and information to us.

Under the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006 (AML/CTF Laws) it is a requirement that the account holder and all signatories to the account must be identified. So if you're opening an account for the first time this applies to you. It also applies to any account holder or signatory who is not an existing customer.

The identification requirements can be met by providing us with the necessary identity documentation. For information on the documents required please contact us directly or visit our website; the contact details for both alternatives are provided on the back cover of this PIS.

If the account holder or any of the signatories to an account are not identified in terms of the AML/ CTF Laws, the account will be blocked for all withdrawals, until they are identified.

If you are an existing customer, an account signatory (or any other cardholder), identification requirements may have previously been satisfied so you don't need to provide it again, unless you are asked to do so by us.

#### Financial crimes monitoring

We are bound by laws that impose regulatory and compliance obligations, including obligations in relation to the prevention of money laundering and the financing of terrorism, which are the AML/CTF Laws. In order for us to meet our regulatory and compliance obligations, we perform certain control and monitoring activities.

Upon entering into this product with us, you agree and provide the following undertakings and agree to indemnify us against any potential loss arising from any breach by you of such undertakings that:

- you are not and will not enter into any agreement with us under an assumed name;
- any funds used by you to enter into an agreement with us have not been derived from or related to any criminal activities;
- any payments received from us will not be used in relation to any criminal activities;
- if we ask, you will provide us with additional information we reasonably require from you

for the purposes of meeting our regulatory and compliance obligations, including the obligations under AML/CTF Laws (including information about the source of funds used to settle this product); and

 you and your transaction with us will not initiate, engage or effect a transaction that may be in breach of Australian law or sanctions (or the law or sanctions of any other country).

You should be aware that:

- we may obtain information about you or any beneficial owner of an interest in an agreement with us from third parties if we believe this is necessary to comply with our regulatory and compliance obligations, including AML/CTF Laws;
- transactions may be delayed, blocked, frozen or refused where we have reasonable grounds to believe that they breach Australian law or sanctions or the law or sanctions of any other country;
- where transactions are delayed, blocked, frozen or refused, we are not liable for any loss you suffer (including consequential loss) in connection with this product; and
- where legally obliged to do so, we may disclose information that we hold about you to our related bodies corporate or service providers, other banks, or relevant regulatory and/or law enforcement agencies (whether in or outside of Australia).

#### **Foreign Tax Residents**

We are required under domestic and international laws to collect and report financial and account information relating to individuals and organisations who are, or may be, foreign tax residents. We may ask you whether you or any shareholder, beneficiary, settlor or controlling person are a foreign tax resident from time to time, such as when you open an account with us, or if your circumstances change. If you do not provide this information to us we may be required to limit the services we provide to you.

Unless you tell us otherwise, by completing any application, you certify that any shareholder, named beneficiary, settlor or controlling person is not a foreign tax resident. You must tell us if you, or any shareholder, named beneficiary, settlor or controlling person is, or becomes, a foreign tax resident (unless an exemption applies, such as for shareholders of listed companies). Where there are no named beneficiaries (e.g. for beneficiaries identified only as a class) you must tell us if a beneficiary is a foreign tax resident immediately

when any decision is made to identify and make a distribution to them. You may contact us to provide foreign tax residence information by calling 1300 720 314 Option 1.

We cannot give tax advice, so please contact your independent tax advisor if you need help finding out whether any person is a foreign tax resident.

#### **Telephone conversations**

The terms of this product are usually agreed verbally over the phone or electronically over an online system. Once we have reached an agreement, we are both bound by the terms of the transaction.

Conversations with our dealing room and settlement departments are recorded. This is standard market practice. We do this to make sure that we have complete records of the details of all transactions. Recorded conversations are retained for a limited period and are usually used where there is a dispute and for staff training and monitoring purposes.

You will need to advise our dealer if you do not wish to be recorded. However, we will not enter into any transaction over the telephone unless the conversation is recorded.

#### **Taxation**

Taxation law is complex and its application to this product will depend on your particular circumstances. We make no claim that this product will provide a beneficial or appropriate tax outcome for you. When determining whether this product is suitable for your circumstances, you should consider the impact it will have on your own taxation position and seek professional advice on the tax implications it may have for you.

This document has been produced for use by Australian tax residents only. If you are not a resident of Australia for tax purposes and have entered into this product, you may be required to withhold tax on payments you make. If you are required to withhold an amount of tax on any payments you make as a non-resident, you are liable to gross up that payment such that we receive all amounts clear of any tax.

#### **Privacy Statement**

All personal information and credit-related information (if applicable) we collect about you is collected, used and disclosed by us in accordance with our Privacy Statement which is available at <a href="mailto:stgeorge.com.au/privacy/privacy-statement">stgeorge.com.au/privacy/privacy-statement</a>. You do not have to provide us with any personal information or credit information (if applicable) but, if you don't, we may not be able to process an application or request for a product or service.

Where individuals engage with us in relation to products and services for our business, corporate or institutional customers (for example, as representative, administrator, director, corporate officer, signatory, beneficiary or shareholder of one of our customers) our Privacy Statement will be relevant to those individuals where we collect and handle their personal information. For example, where we collect their personal information to verify their identity or collect their signature as a signatory on a corporate account.

#### **Privacy Obligations**

To the extent that it applies to you, you must comply with the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) in relation to any personal information you provide to us in connection with this PIS, and if you engage in activities in a jurisdiction other than Australia, you must comply also with the applicable privacy laws in that iurisdiction.

#### **External Service Providers**

We may subcontract any of our rights and obligations to another person in Australia or overseas.

We may disclose or share any information you provide to us with any such person.
With respect to any personal information, details of the countries where the overseas recipients are likely to be located is contained in our Privacy Statement which is available at <a href="mailto:statement-stateme

#### **Dispute resolution**

Sometimes you may want to talk about problems you are having with us. Fixing these problems is very important to us. We've put in place ways of dealing with your issues quickly and fairly.

#### Please talk to us first

We aim to resolve your complaint at your first point of contact with us. Our contact details are set out on the back cover.

#### What to do if you are still unhappy.

If you are not satisfied with our response, you may be able to lodge a complaint with the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA). AFCA's contact details are:

Online: <a href="www.afca.org.au">www.afca.org.au</a>
Email: <a href="mailto:info@afca.org.au">info@afca.org.au</a>

**Phone:** 1800 931 678 (free call)

Mail: Australian Financial Complaints Authority

GPO Box 3

Melbourne VIC 3001

You can also contact the Australian Securities & Investments Commission (**ASIC**) to make a complaint and to obtain further information about your rights. They have a freecall Info line on 1300 300 630 or visit <u>asic.gov.au</u>

