# DYNAMIC. ADAPTABLE. INTUITIVE.

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Our Target Retirement Funds offer scheme sponsors an ideal default fund.

## THE FUTURE DESIGN OF RETIREMENT

Although they have only recently come to the UK, Target Retirement Funds (TRFs) are not new. They were introduced into the US pension market in the 1990s.

Their adaptability marks a significant progression from lifestyle strategies. TRFs are flexible enough to accommodate changing member needs, market conditions and regulations.

With the reality of continually shifting regulatory requirements facing DC schemes, we explore why a TRF may be the right default fund structure for your scheme.

#### **Lifestyle versus Target Retirement Funds**

New generation TRFs are simple to administer, flexible to evolving markets and regulations, and reflect DC member's changing investment needs over time.

<b>Old Defaults</b> Lifestyle Strategy	New Defaults Target Retirement Funds	<b>Advantages</b> Target Retirement Funds
Member holds several funds	Member holds a single fund	Simple for members to understand and simple for employers to oversee
Targets a specific retirement date	Groups members into age cohorts	More flexibility around when a member will retire
Admin switches from fund to fund	Manager switches assets in fund	Quicker, lower cost and easier to implement
Asset allocation usually preset	Asset allocation can be dynamic	Asset allocation proactively managed through market and regulatory changes
Blackout period may be required if the glide path changes	No admin impact from a glide path change	No administration impact

#### Target Retirement Funds: The Basics

#### **DYNAMIC**

A TRF manages investment risk dynamically through time. The member invests in a fund which is closest to the time they anticipate retiring. As they move towards this target retirement period the fund gradually changes its holdings from higher risk growth assets, such as equities, to lower risk assets, such as bonds.

#### **ADAPTABLE**

TRFs provide schemes with a flexible default strategy. Market and member behaviour research can be used so that the funds can be aligned to regulatory, investment and member changes.

#### INTUITIVE

TRFs allow members to invest in one fund during their working years, right through to retirement and beyond, offering members an intuitive way to save for their retirement.

## TRFs ARE DESIGNED TO

Manage the key risks members face over time, which include shortfall, volatility and inflation.

Ensure a disciplined approach to asset allocation and the ability to be dynamic.

Create diversified portfolios with exposure to a broad range of cost-effective equity and fixed income asset classes.

#### Why Use Target Retirement Funds?

EXPERT ASSET ALLOCATION

Able to adapt quickly to the markets regulatory and member changes

Investment professionals set asset allocation making governance more robust

TIMELY GOVERNANCE Designed by investment professionals

Reviewed annually and on an ad hoc basis as necessary

ADMIN SIMPLICITY No administrative impact from glide path changes

Easy for members to switch between funds if their circumstances change



#### Do you want a default solution that is:



Carefully designed, managed and governed by investment professionals?

Quick to adapt to changes in regulation, consumer behaviour and market conditions?

Simple and easy to communicate to your members?

### If the answer to any of the above questions is yes, Target Retirement Funds could be for you.

To find out more about State Street Global Advisors and our Timewise Target Retirement Funds™ visit ssga.com/ukdc or email us at ukdc@ssga.com

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#### **COLLABORATIVE APPROACH**

We work with you to create solutions that include thoughtful investment design, results-driven member communications and insightful member research.

#### **BROAD ASSET CLASS EXPOSURE**

Our Timewise Target Retirement Funds  $^{\text{TM}}$  offer innovative glide path design and asset allocation strategies, alongside broad diversification.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

Our glide path and built-in risk management tools are designed to help address common risks that members face when investing for retirement: shortfall, inflation, market volatility and conversion risks.



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