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## **Retirement Strategies**

# Target Date 2038 to 2040 Retirement Fund

#### The Fund

This Fund is designed for someone who is currently saving and expects to retire in or around the years 2038 to 2040.

It aims to achieve the highest investment return (not guaranteed), while taking a suitable level of risk. This risk is determined by the time left to retirement, the returns possible over that period and how easy it will be to make up any potential losses.

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#### **How It Works**

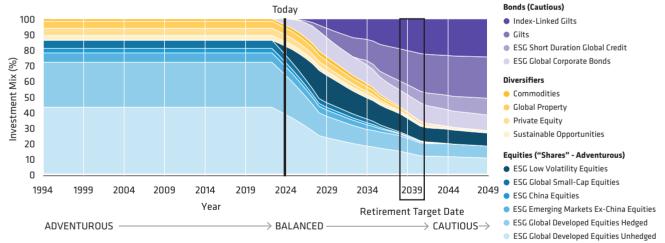
The fund seeks to achieve its aims by gradually moving from more "adventurous" investments, through "balanced" to more "cautious" investments as it gets nearer to the planned retirement years. This is achieved by investing into funds with different risk profiles that hold the appropriate securities, rather than directly investing into underlying securities themselves.

Adventurous investments mean investments, like company shares, which have a greater chance of making bigger returns over the longer term than more cautious investments (and consequently their value can fall and rise significantly in the short term). These adventurous investments aim to help achieve the highest possible pension value while the saver has many years left until retirement, therefore providing a greater chance to recover any potential losses.

As the saver approaches their planned retirement years, the mix of investments will become more balanced as it moves towards a more cautious approach. The cautious investments will mostly be bonds, a way for governments (UK government bonds are known as "gilts") and businesses to borrow money. They will probably earn less than shares over the long run but may help protect the saver's pension value as they get nearer to retirement.

The fund's current strategy is shown below, with today's mix of investments (accessed via funds) highlighted.

### INVESTMENTS BECOME MORE CAUTIOUS OVER TIME



The fund's investment approach changes to match the needs of a typical saver over their lifetime

Life Stage	Young/Adventurous	Midlife/Balanced	Pre-Retirement/Cautious
Fund's Focus	Long-term growth	Balance of growth and stability	Short-term stability
Benefits	Long horizon to accumulate investment growth and recover losses. Regular contributions – at higher and lower asset prices - may help smooth returns (pound cost averaging)	Compound returns on built-up savings can be significant	Savings can continue to build while deciding needs in retirement
Risks	High risk of big short-term losses. No guarantee any losses will be recovered	Potential for savings shortfall at retirement, as a result of losses	Uncertainty over how money will be used and hence appropriate investment strategy to pursue. Potential for investment growth is limited

#### **Manager Summary**

In order to keep the cost of the fund low, the investment manager seeks to invest mainly in index-tracking funds. Using their expert research, they create an age-appropriate dynamic asset allocation that seeks to mitigate the effect of large market movements without detracting from long-term returns. The objective is a smoother journey for the saver, seeking to avoid the sort of emotional responses to short-term market losses that can damage final pension outcomes, whilst also seeking to maintain long-term returns.

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#### **TOTAL RETURNS**

	Year Ending December					Since
(%)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Incep- tion <sup>1</sup>
Retirement Strategies Fund <sup>2</sup>	17.64	7.00	16.77	-12.03	12.23	8.85

### ACTUAL UNDERLYING INVESTMENT ALLOCATION3



- ESG Global Developed Equities Unhedged 26.2%
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- ESG Emerging Markets Ex-China Equities 4.4%
- ESG China Equities 1.9%
- ESG Global Small Cap Equities 3.4%
- ESG Low Volatility Equities 17.0%
- Sustainable Opportunities 2.8%
- Private Equity 3.2%
- Global Property 4.2%
- Commodities 2.7%
- ESG Global Corporate Bonds 11.9%
- ESG Short Duration Global Credit 0.0%
- Gilts 3.2%
- Index-Linked Gilts 3.2%

As of December 31, 2023

- <sup>1</sup> The fund's inception date is October 1, 2012.
- <sup>2</sup> Performance is presented inclusive of scheme-specific management fees and reinvestment of any income the fund receives. Total Expense Ratio: 0.24% inclusive of the annual management charge, Mobius Life platform charge + additional fund expenses.
- 3 Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

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The value of an investment can go down as well as up and investors may not get back the full amount they invested. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

Some of the principal risks of investing in the Fund include:

Market Risk: the risk that the value of your investments will fall as poor economic news reduces the value placed on them in global stock and bond markets where they are traded.

Interest Rate Risk: the risk that the value of your bond investments will fall if market expectations for future interest rates go up and the locked in fixed annual interest rate on them looks less valuable.

Credit Risk: the risk that the value of your bond investments will fall if the credit rating of the issuer deteriorates and the likelihood that payment of both the future interest payments and loan amount falls.

Allocation Risk: the risk of one of the investment funds in the portfolio not performing as well as others.

Foreign Risk: the risk of your investments not growing or falling in value because of issues relating to the foreign countries the investment fund has your savings in. Exchange rate or Currency Risk: the risk of any of your investments falling in value due to the currency the investments are in decreasing in value versus the pound. Liquidity Risk: the risk of not being able to sell any of your investments on a given day due to there not being a market of investors willing to buy them from you. Reinsurance Risk: the risk of your savings not growing or falling in value in the event of a failure by an insurance provider.

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