

For financial professionals only

M&G Wealth Platform

GIA

Target Market Statement



What is the M&G Wealth GIA?

A General Investment Account (GIA) is designed for **advised customers** who may wish to hold multiple products in one place. GIA is a savings plan which is subject to tax on any growth.

Customers can:

- Pay in flexibly, without any minimum or maximum limits
- · Access money held in a GIA at any time
- Transfer money from a GIA to an Individual Savings Account (ISA) when a customer has an annual subscription, normally when going into a new tax year
- Benefit from our Family Group feature allowing for intergenerational wealth planning and/or family wealth consolidation
- Choose from a wide choice of assets in which to invest and benefit from active investment management, for example, model portfolio management

Distribution Strategy



This product is designed to be accessed via a financial adviser.

Key:

Yes		No	×	Maybe	
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Customer's knowledge and experience

Investor Type	Description	Target Market
Basic	 Basic knowledge of relevant financial products and the features and complexities of this specific product. Can make an informed investment decision based on the advice/recommendation of a regulated financial adviser, supported by appropriate information and documentation from the product manufacturer. Basic financial industry experience. 	
Informed	 Reasonable knowledge of relevant financial products and the features and complexities of this specific product. Can make an informed investment decision based on the advice/recommendation of a regulated financial adviser, supported by appropriate information and documentation from the product manufacturer. Some financial industry experience. 	
Advanced	 Good knowledge and experience of relevant financial products and the features and complexities of this specific product. Significant financial industry experience. Still subject to advice at the point of sale from a regulated financial adviser. 	



Customer's age

Age Group	Description	Target Market
Under 18	A customer must be aged 18 or over to open an M&G Wealth GIA and make contributions to it.	\times
18-40	This age group is within the target market for the M&G Wealth GIA.	
41-85	Customers in this age group are likely to be looking for capital growth and/or income, and products that offer the potential for a better investment returns than cash. As such, they are the main target market for the M&G Wealth GIA.	
Over 85	This age group is not within the main target market for the M&G Wealth GIA as they are less likely to be able to invest for the medium to long term. However, there may be circumstances for when this product is suitable.	



Customer's financial situation

Financial Situation	Description	Target Market
Limited (savings less than £60,000)	Generally unsuitable if the customer has limited savings and is unable to make a fair level of ongoing contributions with the potential to build moderate savings. Due to the M&G Wealth Platform minimum charge, savings under £60,000 may not receive fair value.	
	If held with other Accounts as part of a wider portfolio or linked to a family group, it may then be suitable if accompanied by sufficient payments to quickly increase the fund value to over £60,000.	
Good (savings of at least £100,000 and/or good level of ongoing funds to invest)	Suitable, but potential tax implications should be considered.	



Customer's risk tolerance

Risk Tolerance	Description	Target Market
Zero to low	The M&G Wealth GIA doesn't offer any assets that guarantee no capital loss, therefore won't be suitable for a customer who isn't able to accept any risk of a fall in capital.	\times
Low to medium		
Medium	The M&G Wealth Pension Account offers access to a wide range of investment options and assets. These cover a wide spectrum of risk profiles to suit individual customer's needs.	
Medium to high		
Very high	The available asset choice for the M&G Wealth Pension Account does not extend to the highest risk ratings.	\times



Customer's needs and objectives

Need/Objective	Description	Target Market
Retail customer	Customer is looking to invest their own money for personal and family investment aims.	
Non-individual	Customer can apply to open a non-individual Client Portfolio with a GIA if they are: • a corporate entity registered as a company with Companies House in the UK (a private or public limited company, a limited liability partnership, a partnership or a sole trader); or • the trustee(s) of a trust; or • a UK registered charity	
Joint holders	Customer is looking to hold a joint investment account with another individual.	
Money access	Customer is looking for ability to access money held in a GIA at any time.	

Need/Objective	Description	Target Market
General savings	Customer has fully utilised their ISA subscription for the current tax year.	
Family grouping	Customer has, or may have in future, intergenerational wealth planning and/or family wealth consolidation needs.	
Charges deduction	Customer is looking to maximise the tax-efficiency of their ISA and/or onshore bond by deducting charges attributable to these accounts from their GIA.	
Capital growth and/or income	Customer wants to invest for capital growth and/or income and to have the ability to move money between assets as needed to meet these objectives.	
Access to wide choice of assets	Customer is looking to choose from a wide choice of assets in which to invest.	
Active investment management and model portfolio rebalancing	Customer is looking to benefit from active investment management, including model portfolio management.	
Frequent trading	The financial adviser's recommended investment for the customer may require frequent trading, such as re-balancing of model portfolios, without incurring extra costs. Please note frequent trading does not mean intra-day trading.	
Online access	Customer is looking to be able to view their investments online and may wish to carry out their own trades (as per mutual agreement with their adviser). Customers who are unable or less able to access the product online and engage digitally, can still use the product with their financial adviser. However, there may be more suitable options for these customers.	
Medium-long term investment horizon (normally over 5 years)	Customer is looking to invest for the medium to long term as part of long-term financial planning.	
Additional needs	M&G Wealth is committed to support customers with additional needs. This includes offering communications in braille, audio or large print, using a nominated third party or other contact preferences and other reasonable adjustments for those in vulnerable circumstances. While every effort is made to make the M&G Wealth Platform accessible to all customers, it is designed to be used primarily with a financial adviser, and there may be other products which are more suitable for some customers.	



How do customers invest in this product?

Initial Application	Description	Target Market
Execution-only*	The M&G Wealth GIA cannot be opened on an execution-only basis.	\times
Advised	The M&G Wealth GIA is available on an advised basis.	
Top-Ups		
Execution-only*	Single and/or regular contribution top-ups and additional transfers-in can be made by customers on an execution-only basis.	
Advised	Single and/or regular contribution top-ups and additional transfers-in can be made on an advised basis.	

 $^{^{\}star}\text{Execution-only covers situations where the customer has a financial adviser but is transacting without advice as per mutual agreement.}$



Who is the M&G Wealth Platform GIA not suitable for?

Customer Characteristics	Description	Target Market
Customer without a financial adviser	The M&G Wealth GIA is aimed at advised customers therefore, the product is not suitable for customers without an authorised financial adviser.	\otimes
Small portfolios	The product is not designed for smaller value portfolios unless held with other products on the Platform or as part of a Family Group.	\otimes
Short-term investment horizon	The product is not suitable for customers looking to invest only for a very short period; typically less than 5 years.	\otimes
Uninvested wealth	The product is not suitable for customers who plan to hold large proportion of their wealth uninvested.	×
Risk tolerance	The product is not suitable for customers who have zero risk tolerance or who want to invest in very high-risk investments.	\otimes
US persons and EEA residents	A US Person or EEA Resident may not open a Client Portfolio or any Account.	×



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