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MyFolio – flexible, easy investing

Helping you meet your investment goals



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If you're not sure if these funds are right for you, we recommend that you get financial advice. There's likely to be a charge for this.

Whatever your investment goals...

Savings are always important. But there are times when they become even more significant as a way to support you and your family through life's big events – whether that's a new home, holidays, weddings or your retirement.

...we're here to help you meet them



Why should you choose to invest in MyFolio?

If you feel you don't have the time or know-how to manage your investments on a day-to-day basis, the MyFolio funds could be a good choice for you. With MyFolio you'll be able to:

Take advantage of a wide investment mix

MyFolio funds are what's known as multi-asset funds. This means that they invest in a lot of different investments (assets) at the same time - often called 'diversification'. Because different assets respond differently to changes in economic conditions, diversification can help to reduce the impact of short-term ups and downs and to provide smoother long-term investment returns.

Take a set amount of risk and no more

Each MyFolio fund is managed to a certain risk level, so you don't need to worry about your money being exposed to more risk than you're comfortable with. Lower risk is always lower risk, and higher risk is always higher risk.

Enjoy peace of mind as your investments are managed for you

The MyFolio funds are managed by a team at Aberdeen Standard Investments who aim to provide the best possible returns for each risk level.

However, you should still regularly review your investments to check that your circumstances have not changed, and you are still comfortable taking the same level of risk.

The value of any investment can go down as well as up, and you may get back less than was paid in.

Choose the fund that suits you

As MyFolio is available in a choice of investment styles across five risk levels, it's easy for you to choose the fund that best suits how you feel about risk and any preferences you might have about investment style.

Get flexibility when you need it

We know that things change - your goals, circumstances and attitude to risk can all change throughout your life. So we've made it easy for you to move to a different MyFolio risk level or investment style if you need to.

What is MyFolio?

MyFolio could be a good option for you if you don't have the time or experience to manage your own investments. It's a quick and simple way to invest as a team at Aberdeen Standard Investments do the hard work for you.

MyFolio offers a range of risk levels

There's a range of MyFolio funds, each targeting a different level of risk - from lower (1) to higher (5).

Each fund is managed within set risk limits. This means that once you've chosen the fund which most closely matches how you feel about risk, it may continue to be suitable for you from a risk perspective. If your views on risk change in future, you can simply change to a fund with a different risk level.

Risk level 1 – Designed for customers who only want to take a small amount of risk to potentially achieve modest or relatively stable returns. They understand there may be some short-term changes in value.

Risk level 2 – Designed for customers who want the potential to achieve reasonable long-term returns and are prepared to take some risk in doing so. They understand there may be some frequent but quite small changes in value.

Risk level 3 – Designed for customers who are quite comfortable taking some risk to potentially achieve better long-term returns. They understand the value can change frequently and sometimes significantly.

Risk level 4 – Designed for customers who are comfortable taking some risk to potentially achieve higher long-term returns. They understand the value is likely to change frequently and often significantly.

Risk level 5 – Designed for customers who are very comfortable taking some risk to potentially achieve high long-term investment returns. They understand the value is likely to change very frequently and significantly.

Please note that the number contained in the fund name is not related to the synthetic risk and reward indicator contained in the Key Investor Information document (NURS-KII).



If you're not sure about your attitude to risk (how much risk you're prepared to take with your money), there's a handy online questionnaire to help - visit www.standardlife.co.uk/risk

The risk profiling tool is just a guide to help you choose your investment options. There are other important things you also need to think about such as how much money you can afford to lose (your capacity for loss) and how long you're investing for. Generally speaking, the further away from retirement you are, the more risk you may be able to take with your investments.

Your own capacity for loss relates to your personal circumstances and goals. As the value of investments can fall as well as rise, you need to understand what the impact of losing money could mean for your financial plans.

Through MyFolio, we aim to strike the balance between the risk you're willing to take and the rewards you receive in return.

MyFolio offers a choice of investment styles

As well as offering a choice of risk levels, MyFolio is available in a range of different investment styles.

MyFolio Index – risk levels 1-5

Available through the Standard Life Savings Limited Stocks and Shares ISA, the Standard Life Self Invested Personal Pension and Standard Life International dac International Bond.

This is our newest range of MyFolio funds and the lowest cost MyFolio option.

These funds invest mainly in passive (also known as index-tracking or tracker) funds managed by Aberdeen Standard Investments. Passive funds generally aim to replicate (or track) the performance of an index, such as the FTSE® All Share Index, before fund charges. So these funds will generally follow markets down as well as up.

MyFolio Market - risk levels 1-5

These funds invest mostly in passive (also known as index-tracking or tracker) funds from large, highly regarded providers. Passive funds generally aim to replicate (or track) the performance of an index, such as the FTSE® All-Share Index, before fund charges. So these funds will generally follow the market down as well as up. As passive funds tend to have lower charges than actively managed funds, these are a low-cost MyFolio option.

MyFolio Managed – risk levels 1-5

These funds invest mainly in actively managed Aberdeen Standard Investments funds. Investment managers at Aberdeen Standard Investments decide how much to invest in the different funds with the aim of achieving the best possible return for each risk level.

MyFolio Multi-Manager - risk levels 1-5

These invest in carefully selected funds from some of the leading investment managers in the market. Investment managers at Aberdeen Standard Investments carry out in-depth research to identify funds they believe to be among the best in the industry. They also choose how much to invest in the different funds with the aim of achieving the best possible return for each risk level. As this option invests in premium funds from across the industry, charges may be higher than for the other MyFolio options.

MyFolio Monthly Income - risk levels 2-4

These invest in carefully selected funds from some of the leading investment managers that focus on creating income, for example through share dividends, bond yields and property rental income.

If you're invested in an SL ASI MyFolio Monthly Income Life or Pension Fund, any income generated will be reinvested in the fund rather than paid out.

If you're not sure which investment style to choose, you might want to speak to a financial adviser. There is likely to be a cost for this.

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How the MyFolio funds work

Managing the MyFolio funds is a specialist job involving many teams at Aberdeen Standard Investments. So whichever fund you choose, your investments will be carefully looked after.

The following four-step process is used to manage the funds:

Multi-asset investment and governance specialists rigorously monitor the funds.

> 1. Target investment mix (strategic asset allocation)

Choosing the right mix of investments (asset classes) for each fund's risk level.

We use a state-of-the-art risk model from Moody's **Analytics** as part of the process to help choose the best mix of assets for each risk level.

4. Review and rebalancing

Aiming to deliver the best possible returns for the amount of risk they take.

2. Short-term decisions (tactical asset allocation)*

Deciding which asset classes to favour over the short term for each fund.

The multi-manager strategies team

considers which underlying funds should be used for each asset class.

3. Fund selection and portfolio construction

Choosing the right funds for each asset class and blending them together in the most optimal way.

Investment specialists

covering global investment strategy, economics, multi-asset investing and risk feed into the short-term investment decisions.

*Doesn't apply to the MyFolio Index Funds.

What do the MyFolio funds invest in?

The MyFolio funds invest in a wide mix of investments from all around the world. This diversification can help to reduce the impact of short-term ups and downs and provide smoother long-term returns.

Each MyFolio fund invests in a mix of growth investments – designed to grow the value of your money – and defensive investments – designed to help shelter your money from large falls in value.

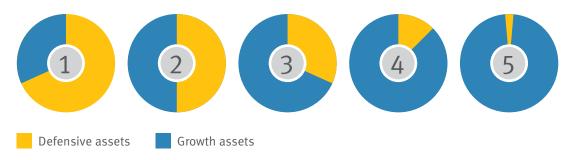


Growth investments have the potential for higher returns over the longer term than most other types of investment. They're mainly equities (stocks and shares), but may also include commercial property and absolute returns. Absolute returns are investment strategies that aim to provide positive long-term returns regardless of what's happening in markets.



Defensive investments are less likely to move up and down in value as much as growth investments. They tend to be different types of bonds and can be useful in helping to lower overall risk.

As you move up the MyFolio risk levels, you'll typically see a higher proportion of growth investments than defensive investments.



How can I invest in the **MyFolio funds?**

Most of the MyFolio funds are available through Standard Life's pension and retirement products and through Standard Life Savings' Limited Stocks & Shares ISA. MyFolio Index, Funds are only available through Standard Life Savings' Limited Stocks & Shares ISA, Standard Life's Self Invested Personal Pension (SIPP) and Standard Life International dac's International Bond.

To choose the right fund for you, just follow our easy two-step process:

Step 1 - You (and your adviser if you use one) simply decide how much risk you're comfortable taking and select the risk level which most closely matches

If you're not sure about your attitude to risk, there's a handy online questionnaire to help visit www.standardlife.co.uk/risk

Step 2 - Then select your preferred investment style

The team at Aberdeen Standard Investments will do the rest.



More about investing in MyFolio through your pension plan

If you have a pension plan, you can also choose one of the MyFolio strategic lifestyle profiles, which are specifically designed to make it easy for you to save for retirement.

As you get closer to your retirement date, these investment options gradually move your pension savings into carefully selected funds which are designed to reflect how you plan to take your money. That could be setting up a guaranteed income for life (an annuity), keeping it invested and taking a flexible income (drawdown), taking some or all as a lump sum, or a combination of all of these.

You can find out more about these options at www.standardlife.co.uk/lifestyling

If you'd like more information on how to invest in MyFolio funds:

- visit www.standardlife.co.uk
- call us on 0345 60 60 191 (call charges will vary), or
- speak to your financial adviser

If you aren't sure where to invest, we recommend you get financial advice. An adviser is likely to charge for giving you advice. You can find details of financial advisers in your area at www.unbiased.co.uk

Important information

The value of any investment can go down as well as up, and isn't guaranteed. You may get back less than was paid in.

Please note that the number contained in the fund name is not related to the synthetic risk and reward indicator contained in the Key Investor Information document.

There are also some specific risks associated with investing in MyFolio funds.

- If you're invested in a MyFolio fund through a Standard Life pension plan, you can get more information in the fund factsheet, which you can download from www.standardlife.co.uk/funds
- If you're invested in a MyFolio fund through a Standard Life Savings Limited Stocks & Shares ISA, to help you understand the funds and for a full explanation of risks and the overall risk profile of the funds, please refer to the Key Investor Information Documents and fund factsheets available on our website.

www.standardlife.co.uk/funds

Find out more

If you'd like more information on the investment options we offer, please visit our website.

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