

# **Target Market Determination**

# Fulcrum Diversified Absolute Return Fund (Fund)

ARSN 601 830 353

This Target Market Determination (**TMD**) is required under section 994B of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (**the Act**). This TMD describes the class of consumers that comprises the target market for the financial product and matters relevant to the product's distribution and review (specifically, distribution conditions, review triggers and periods, and reporting requirements). Distributors must take reasonable steps that will, or are reasonably likely to, result in distribution of the product being consistent with the most recent TMD (unless the distribution is excluded conduct). This document is **not** a product disclosure statement (**PDS**) and is **not** a complete summary of the product features or terms of the product. This document does not take into account any person's individual objectives, financial situation or needs. Persons interested in acquiring this product should carefully read the PDS for the product before making a decision whether to buy this product. Important terms used in this TMD are defined in the TMD Definitions which supplement this document. Capitalised terms have the meaning given to them in the product's PDS, unless otherwise defined. The PDS can be obtained by contacting Client Services or at <a href="https://ironbarkam.com/fulcrum/dar/">https://ironbarkam.com/fulcrum/dar/</a>.

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#### **Target Market Summary**

This product is intended for use as a satellite allocation for a consumer who is seeking capital growth and capital preservation and has a medium to high risk and return profile for that portion of their investment portfolio. It is likely to be consistent with the financial situation and needs of a consumer with a 5 to 7 year investment timeframe and who is unlikely to need to withdraw their money on less than 5 Business Days' notice.

#### **Description of Target Market**

#### **TMD** indicator key

The Consumer Attributes for which the product is likely to be appropriate have been assessed using a red/amber/green rating methodology with appropriate colour coding:

G - In target market

R - Not considered in target market

#### Instructions

In the tables below, Column 1, Consumer Attributes, indicates a description of the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of the class of consumers that are considering this product. Column 2, TMD indicator, indicates whether a consumer meeting the attribute in column 1 is likely to be in the target market for this product.

#### **Appropriateness**

The Issuer has assessed the product and formed the view that the product, including its key attributes, is likely to be consistent with the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of consumers in the target market as described above, as the features of this product in Column 3 of the table above are likely to be suitable for consumers with the attributes identified with a green TMD Indicator in Column 2.

#### Investment products and diversification

A consumer (or class of consumer) may intend to hold a product as part of a diversified portfolio (for example, with an intended product use of *minor allocation*). In such circumstances, the product should be assessed against the consumer's attributes for the relevant portion of the portfolio, rather than the consumer's portfolio as a whole. For example, a consumer may seek to construct a balanced or moderate diversified portfolio with a minor allocation to growth assets. In this case, a product with a *High* risk/return profile may be consistent with the consumer's objectives for that *minor allocation* notwithstanding that the risk/return profile of the consumer as a whole is *Medium*. In making this assessment, distributors should consider all features of a product (including its key attributes).

The FSC has provided more detailed guidance on how to take this portfolio view for diversification, available on the FSC website.

Consumer Attributes	TMD indicator	Product description including key attributes
Consumer's investment objective		
Capital Growth	G	The Fund aims to achieve long-term absolute returns in all market conditions over a rolling five-year
Capital Preservation	G	period, with lower volatility than equity markets and in excess of the RBA cash rate.
-		This is not an income focused fund and it is not expected that there will be income or capital to distribute
Income Distribution	R	to investors in the foreseeable future.
Consumer's intended product use (% of Investable Assets)		
Solution/Standalone (up to 100%)	R	The Fund invests in an underlying fund that aims to target absolute returns by investing in a diversified pool of global assets across asset classes, including equities, fixed income, commodities, alternatives
Major allocation (up to 75%)	R	and cash. Investments may also include index funds and actively managed funds managed by the Investment Manager. The underlying fund may use derivatives for investment purposes and for efficient
Core component (up to 50%)	R	portfolio management.

Consumer Attributes	TMD indicator	Product description including key attributes
Minor allocation (up to 25%)	R	Portfolio diversification is low however the underlying fund invests globally and aims to hold a highly diversified portfolio
Satellite allocation (up to 15%)	G	
Consumer's investment timeframe	•	
Minimum investment timeframe	5 to 7 years	The recommended investment timeframe is at least 5 to 7 years.
Consumer's Risk (ability to bear lo	oss) and Return profile	
Low	R	The Fund has a standard risk measure of 5 (medium to high).
Medium	R	This product is classified as a hedge fund under ASIC Regulatory Guide 240 and may have complex features.
High	G	The specific risks associated with the Fund include climate change risk, counterparty risk, currency risk,
Very high	G	cyber risk, debt and leverage risk, derivatives risk, distribution risk, diversification risk, emerging mark
Extremely high	G	risk, force majeure risk, fund of fund risk, inflation risk, liquidity risk, market risk, operational risk, regulatory and tax risk, responsible entity and managed investment scheme risk, short selling risk, small capitalisation investment risk, structural risk, trading risk, underlying investment manager risk and volatility risk.
		Please refer to section 6 'Risks of investing in the Fund' of the PDS for further information.
Consumer's need to access capita	al	
Within 5 Business Days	R	Under ordinary circumstances, all valid withdrawal requests received by 2.00pm on a Business Day, will
Within 10 Business Days	G	be withdrawn based on the unit price for the next Business Day.  Withdrawals proceeds will typically be made available within 10 Business Days from the receipt of your
Within one month of request	G	valid withdrawal request.
Within three months of request	G	
Within one year of request	G	
Within 5 years of request	G	
Within 10 years of request	G	
10 years or more	G	

#### Distribution conditions/restrictions

This product can only be offered and/or issued in accordance with the relevant product terms and conditions outlined in the Product Disclosure Statement (as amended from time to time).

Distribution conditions	Distribution condition rationale
Suitable for distribution to consumers who are:  • classified as Australian Wholesale Clients, or  • able to meet the \$500,000 minimum investment amount, or  • an indirect investor of an investor directed portfolio service, a master trust, wrap account or similar arrangement.	Direct distribution of the Fund is restricted to wholesale clients, as defined in section 761G of the Corporations Act.  There is no distribution restriction for indirect investors.  The Fund is classified as an RG240 hedge fund and has complex features.

Ironbark has determined that the distribution conditions and restrictions will make it likely that customers who invest in this product are in the class of customers for which it has been designed. We consider that the distribution conditions are appropriate and will assist distribution in being directed towards the target market for whom the product has been designed.

#### Review triggers

- Material change to key attributes, fund investment objective and/or fees.
- Material deviation from benchmark / objective over sustained period.
- Key attributes have not performed as disclosed by a material degree and for a material period.
- Determination by the issuer of an ASIC reportable Significant Dealing.
- Material or unexpectedly high number of complaints (as defined in section 994A(1) of the Act) about the product or distribution of the product.
- The use of Product Intervention Powers, regulator orders or directions that affects the product.

#### Mandatory review periods

Review period	Maximum period for review
Initial review	Completed.
Subsequent / periodic review (15 months)	Due by 23 July 2025.

#### Distribution reporting requirements

Reporting requirement	Reporting period	Which distributors this requirement applies to
Complaints (as defined in section 994A(1) of the Act) relating to the product. The distributor should provide all the content of the complaint, having regard to privacy.		All distributors
Significant dealing outside of target market, under section 994F(6) of the Act.  See Definitions for further detail.	As soon as practicable but no later than 10 business days after distributor becomes aware of the significant dealing.	All distributors

Distributors should adopt the FSC data standards for reports to the issuer. Distributors must report to Ironbark by email at <a href="DDO@ironbarkam.com">DDO@ironbarkam.com</a>.

### Important information

This information is current as at the date of this document and provided as a guideline only, it may be subject to change. No recommendation or advice has been given as to whether any investment or strategy may be suitable for you.

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## **Definitions**

In some instances, examples have been provided below. These examples are indicative only and not exhaustive.

Term	Definition
Consumer's investment objective	·
Capital Growth	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to generate capital return over the investment timeframe. The consumer prefers exposure to growth assets (such as shares or property) or otherwise seeks an investment return above the current inflation rate.
Capital Preservation	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to have low volatility and minimise capital loss. The consumer prefers exposure to defensive assets that are generally lower in risk and less volatile than growth investments (this may include cash or fixed income securities).
Income Distribution	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to distribute regular and/or tax-effective income. The consumer prefers exposure to income-generating assets (this may include high dividend-yielding equities, fixed income securities and money market instruments).
Consumer's intended product use (% of le	nvestable Assets)
Solution/Standalone (up to 100%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 100% of their total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer is likely to seek a product with <i>very high</i> portfolio diversification.
Major allocation (up to 75%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 75% of their total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least <i>high</i> portfolio diversification.
Core Component (up to 50%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 50% of their total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least <i>medium</i> portfolio diversification.
Minor allocation (up to 25%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 25% of their total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least <i>low</i> portfolio diversification.
Satellite allocation (up to 15%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 15% of the total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer may seek a product with <i>very low</i> portfolio diversification.  Products classified as <i>extremely high</i> risk are likely to meet this category only.
Investable Assets	Those assets that the investor has available for investment, excluding the residential home.
,	he key product attribute section of consumer's intended product use) ments may sit outside the diversification framework below.
Very low	The product provides exposure to a single asset (for example, a commercial property) or a niche asset class (for example, minor commodities, crypto-assets or collectibles).

Definition	
The product provides exposure to a small number of holdings (for example, fewer than 25 securities) or a narrow asset class, sector or geographic market (for example, a single major commodity (e.g. gold) or equities from a single emerging market economy).	
The product provides exposure to a moderate number of holdings (for example, up to 50 securities) in at least one broad asset class, sector or geographic market (for example, Australian fixed income securities or global natural resources).	
The product provides exposure to a large number of holdings (for example, over 50 securities) in multiple broad asset classes, sectors or geographic markets (for example, global equities).	
The product provides exposure to a large number of holdings across a broad range of asset classes, sectors <u>and</u> geographic markets with limited correlation to each other.	
The minimum suggested timeframe for holding the product. Typically, this is the rolling period over which the investment objective of the product is likely to be achieved.	

#### Consumer's Risk (ability to bear loss) and Return profile

This TMD uses the Standard Risk Measure (*SRM*) to estimate the likely number of negative annual returns for this product over a 20 year period, using the guidance and methodology outlined in the Standard Risk Measure Guidance Paper For Trustees (note the bands in the SRM guidance differ from the bands used in this TMD). However, SRM is not a complete assessment of risk and potential loss. For example, it does not detail important issues such as the potential size of a negative return (including under conditions of market stress) or that a positive return could still be less than a consumer requires to meet their investment objectives/needs. The SRM methodology may be supplemented by other risk factors. For example, some products may use leverage, derivatives or short selling; may have liquidity or withdrawal limitations; may have underlying investments with valuation risks or risks of capital loss; or otherwise may have a complex structure or increased investment risks, which should be documented together with the SRM to substantiate the product risk rating.

A consumer's desired product return profile would generally take into account the impact of fees, costs and taxes.

Low	For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:
	has a conservative or low risk appetite,
	<ul> <li>seeks to minimise volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 1 negative return over a 20 year period (SRM 1 to 2)), and</li> </ul>
	is comfortable with a low target return profile.
	The consumer typically prefers stable, defensive assets (such as cash).
Medium	For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:
	has a moderate or medium risk appetite,
	<ul> <li>seeks low volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 4 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 3 to 5)), and</li> </ul>
	is comfortable with a moderate target return profile.
	The consumer typically prefers defensive assets (for example, fixed income).

Term	Definition
High	For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:  • has a high risk appetite,  • can accept high volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 6 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 5 or 6)), and  • seeks high returns (typically over a medium or long timeframe).  The consumer typically prefers growth assets (for example, shares and property).
Very high	<ul> <li>For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer: <ul> <li>has a very high risk appetite,</li> <li>can accept very high volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear 6 to 7 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 6 or 7)), and</li> <li>seeks to maximise returns (typically over a medium or long timeframe).</li> </ul> </li> <li>The consumer typically prefers high growth assets (such as high conviction portfolios, hedge funds, and alternative investments).</li> </ul>
Extremely high	For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:  • has an extremely high risk appetite,  • can accept significant volatility and losses, and  • seeks to obtain accelerated returns (potentially in a short timeframe).  The consumer seeks extremely high risk, speculative or complex products which may have features such as significant use of derivatives, leverage or short positions or may be in emerging or niche asset classes (for example, crypto-assets or collectibles).

#### Consumer's need to access capital

This consumer attribute addresses the likely period of time between the making of a request for redemption/withdrawal (or access to investment proceeds more generally) and the receipt of proceeds from this request under ordinary circumstances. Issuers should consider both the frequency for accepting the request and the length of time to accept, process and distribute the proceeds of such a request. To the extent that the liquidity of the underlying investments or possible liquidity constraints (e.g. ability to stagger or delay redemptions) could impact this, this is to be taken into consideration in aligning the product to the consumer's need to access capital. Where a product is held on investment platforms, distributors also need to factor in the length of time platforms take to process requests for redemption for underlying investments. Where access to investment proceeds from the product is likely to occur through a secondary market, the liquidity of the market for the product should be considered.

Term	Definition
Distributor Reporting	
Significant dealings	Section 994F(6) of the Act requires distributors to notify the issuer if they become aware of a significant dealing in the product that is not consistent with the TMD. Neither the Act nor ASIC defines when a dealing is 'significant' and distributors have discretion to apply its ordinary meaning.
	The issuer will rely on notifications of significant dealings to monitor and review the product, this TMD, and its distribution strategy, and to meet its own obligation to report significant dealings to ASIC.
	Dealings outside this TMD may be significant because:
	<ul> <li>they represent a material proportion of the overall distribution conduct carried out by the distributor in relation to the product, or</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>they constitute an individual transaction which has resulted in, or will or is likely to result in, significant detriment to the consumer (or class of consumer).</li> </ul>
	In each case, the distributor should have regard to:
	<ul> <li>the nature and risk profile of the product (which may be indicated by the product's risk rating or withdrawal timeframes),</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the actual or potential harm to a consumer (which may be indicated by the value of the consumer's investment, their intended product use or their ability to bear loss), and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the nature and extent of the inconsistency of distribution with the TMD (which may be indicated by the number of red and/or amber ratings attributed to the consumer).</li> </ul>
	Objectively, a distributor may consider a dealing (or group of dealings) outside the TMD to be significant if:
	<ul> <li>it constitutes more than half of the distributor's total retail product distribution conduct in relation to the product over the quarter,</li> </ul>
	the consumer's intended product use is <i>solution/standalone</i> ,
	<ul> <li>the consumer's intended product use is core component or higher and the consumer's risk/return profile is low, or</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the relevant product has a green rating for consumers seeking extremely high risk/return.</li> </ul>