For financial advisers only

# Suitability and features of the Aegon Retirement Choices SIPP

We've developed this guide to provide you with information on our Aegon Retirement Choices (ARC) Self-invested Personal Pension (SIPP).

#### What is the ARC SIPP?

ARC is a platform – an online solution that lets you and your clients manage their savings and investments. It provides a range of products including a SIPP. The ARC SIPP offers your clients the following benefits:

- A savings and income solution your clients can accumulate savings and take an income from age 55 (increasing to age 57 on 6 April 2028) all in one place - no need to change provider.
- A wide range of investments including growth and income-focused fund solutions designed to match different risk appetites. Or you can choose from over 5,000 investments (as at January 2025), including collectives, equities, exchange-traded funds, and investment trusts.

- Transfers accepted cash and reregistration transfers from other pensions and drawdown transfers available.
- Drawdown providing income for your clients in a tax-efficient savings environment with ongoing potential for growth using flexiaccess drawdown and drip-feed drawdown.
   A range of options are available online including pension commencement lump sum (PCLS), partial and full income.
- Ability to target funds for payment of PCLS and moving into drawdown, or to take proportionately across funds.
- Pre-funded tax relief your clients won't need to wait for tax relief to be paid as we'll automatically pay any tax relief due at the basic rate of tax.



- A range of support asset selection, research tools and our retirement income calculator allows you and your clients to plan for retirement and set goals.
- Integrated SIPP trust-based personal pension with Aegon Pension Trustees Limited as trustees.
- Reassuring death benefits your clients can have some peace of mind as they can, for instance, nominate individual(s) they want to receive the benefits of their SIPP.
- Transparent charging structure your clients will be able to see exactly what they're paying for, and there's no yearly charge applied on assets over £250,000.

The value of an investment can fall as well as rise and isn't guaranteed. The final value of a client's pension pot when they come to take benefits could be less than has been paid in.

This information is based on our understanding of current taxation law and HMRC practice, which may change. The value of any tax relief will depend on individual circumstances.

#### About us

We're the UK's largest investment platform provider.<sup>1</sup> We continually invest and develop our platform to provide retirement, investment, savings and protection solutions to over 4 million customers.<sup>2</sup>

- 1 Fundscape Q4 2023 article
- 2 Information as at 31/12/2023

#### **Product features overview**

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Investment funds	A range of over 5,000 (as at January 2025) allowable investments.
Contributions	Transfers, single, regular, employer.
Regular contribution collection date	Second working day of the month.
Minimum contribution	£1 for single and regular; £250 for transfers.
Maximum contribution	No maximum
Contribution tax relief	Yes
Income	
Drawdown income frequencies	Flexi-access drawdown and drip-feed drawdown are monthly, quarterly, half yearly, or yearly. Flexi-access drawdown income can also be taken on an ad hoc basis.
Drawdown income payment date	9, 18 or 27 of the month. This is the day the payment will leave the SIPP. It will arrive in your client's bank account around three days later.

## Adviser charges

You and your client will agree how much they'll pay for the advice you give them. We can facilitate initial, ongoing and ad hoc charges agreed between you and your client. Initial and ongoing charges are available online with no need for a client signature. We'll take any adviser charges as either a percentage or monetary amount from the SIPP's cash facility, depending on what you've agreed with your client.

## **Product charges**

We may vary these charges. If we do so, we'll let you and your clients know.

Set-up charge	None
Transfer in/out charge	None
Annual charge	£0 - £29,999.99 - 0.60% £30,000 - £49,999.99 - 0.55% £50,000 - £99,999.99 - 0.50% £100,000 - £249,999.99 - 0.45% £250,000 and over - 0.00% We don't apply the annual charge on cash held in a product's cash facility.
Drawdown charges	We'll charge £75 each year your client takes drawdown income. If your client has more than one drawdown income account, they'll only pay a single £75 yearly charge, deducted equally across all accounts.

# About your client's cash facility

Our ARC SIPP has its own cash facility that all contributions will be paid into before they're invested. We'll keep 0.25% of all contributions in the cash facility. We use this to pay income and all charges that are relevant to your client's account, including adviser charges if you ask us to facilitate these.

Cash held here will accrue interest at a daily rate, on a daily basis, and we'll credit it monthly.

## How to contact us

<b>0345 608 1680</b> Telephone lines are open Monday to Friday.
Telephone lines are open Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5.30pm. Call charges will vary.



