

## **All Weather Balanced Fund**

### **1. What is the fund's objective?**

The fund seeks to grow investors' capital over the long term by allocating capital meaningfully to equities/property as primary growth drivers, aiming to deliver peer-beating total returns over a full market cycle while remaining diversified across multiple asset classes. The fund sits in the ASISA SA Multi Asset – High Equity category.

### **2. What does the fund invest in?**

The fund is a diversified, Regulation 28-compliant multi-asset portfolio that invests across South African and offshore opportunities, with offshore exposure managed within the 45% regulatory limit. It follows a strategic asset allocation framework—65% South Africa / 35% Global—with tactical flexibility to respond to changing valuations and macroeconomic conditions. Both domestic and offshore allocations are managed within clear portfolio limits: equity exposure capped at 75% and listed property at 25%.

The fund typically invests in equities, listed property, government and corporate bonds, inflation-linked bonds, money market instruments, and cash, and may invest in permitted collective investment schemes and other allowable instruments. The fund may use derivatives for efficient portfolio and risk management.

### **3. Important portfolio characteristics and risks**

The fund has meaningful exposure to growth assets (equities and property), which supports long-term return potential but can increase short-term volatility and drawdowns. However, diversification across equities, rates, credit, and real assets reduces reliance on any single driver and helps manage volatility and drawdown risk. The fund's fixed-income allocation introduces interest-rate and credit risk, as bond prices and credit spreads can move with

inflation, economic growth, and policy changes. Offshore exposure introduces global market and currency risk; currency hedging may be used, but it does not eliminate risk.

#### **4. How long should investors stay invested**

The fund is managed to maximize the compounding of real wealth over the long term. It is ideal for investors to stay invested for 5+ years (ideally 7+ years) to allow the growth assets to navigate market cycles and reduce the impact of short-term volatility.

#### **5. Who should consider investing in the fund**

The fund is managed to maximize long-term wealth compounding. Investors should ideally remain invested for 5+ years (preferably 7+ years) to allow the growth assets to work through market cycles and reduce the impact of short-term volatility.