



WEALTH GROUP

# Financial Services Guide PART ONE

*This is Part 1 of the FSG and should be read in conjunction with Part 2, the Adviser Profile.*

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## Not Independent

Crown Wealth Group (Crown) and your adviser may receive commission based on your premium for the duration of time you hold an insurance policy, fees based on the volume of assets under advice and gifts and other non-monetary benefits. For these reasons, we are unable to refer to ourselves as 'independent', 'impartial' or 'unbiased'.

## Purpose of this Document

The purpose of this Financial Services Guide (FSG) is to help you understand and decide if you wish to use the financial services we offer. This FSG provides you with important information on how to engage with one of our Financial Advisers who is your advice provider.

This FSG should be read in conjunction with the Adviser Profile (Part 2) and covers the following:

- Information about who we are
- The Adviser Profile
- Financial Services and Products we offer
- Documents you may receive
- Special Instructions
- Disclosure of Information
- Adviser Remuneration
- Licensee Remuneration
- Referrals and Conflicts
- Other forms of remuneration or benefits
- Professional Indemnity
- What to do if you have a complaint

Please take the time to review this document before engaging our services.

Throughout this FSG, Crown is referred to as "we", "us", "our" or any variations. The term "Adviser" refers to Crown's authorised representatives.

## Who We Are

We are a financial planning advisory firm and hold an AFSL (No: 494274). Our contact details are as follows:

Postal: PO Box 224, WARNERS BAY NSW 2282

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Website: [www.crownwealthgroup.com.au](http://www.crownwealthgroup.com.au)

## The Adviser Profile

Prior to providing any personalised financial advice products and/or services, our Advisers are required to provide you with a copy of this FSG along with their Adviser Profile, which is Part 2 of this FSG.

If you have not received an Adviser Profile, please ask your Adviser for a copy or contact us.

The Licensee and the Authorised Representatives listed in this FSG act on your behalf when we provide financial services to you.

## Financial Services and Products We Offer

Crown is licensed to provide financial product advice on the following services:

- Wealth creation
- Life insurance
- Superannuation and retirement planning
- Debt reduction
- Cash flow management
- Aged care
- Estate planning
- Tax (financial) advice
- Centrelink planning
- Salary packaging

We can advise on the following products:

- Basic deposit products
- Debentures, stocks and bonds
- Life insurance (personal and business)
- Managed investments
- Investor Directed Portfolio Services (IDPS)
- Retirement Savings Accounts (RSA)
- Securities
- Standard margin lending
- Superannuation (all)

## Documents you may receive

If you decide to obtain personal financial advice, your Adviser will need to determine your needs, objectives and relevant financial circumstances.

At the initial advice appointment, your Adviser will typically gather the relevant information by using a client data collection form. You will be asked to provide accurate information about your personal and financial situation and keep your Adviser informed of any changes to your relevant circumstances. Your Adviser will also need to verify your identity.

When your Adviser provides personal financial advice to you, you may receive one or more of the following documents:

- Statement of Advice (SoA)
- Record of Advice (RoA)
- Product Disclosure Statement (PDS)
- Fee Disclosure Statement (FDS)

### Statement of Advice (SoA)

The SoA will set out the advice that has been tailored to your specific circumstances and provide you with details of all relevant disclosures, including details of any remuneration payable.

### **Record of Advice (RoA)**

Where you receive ongoing or further advice, a RoA may be provided. You may request a record of the further advice that is provided to you, if you haven't already been provided with it. You can also contact us, using the details at the start of this FSG, within 7 years from when the advice is provided to request this record.

### **Product Disclosure Statement (PDS)**

A PDS will be provided if a product recommendation is made and includes detailed information on the financial product including features, benefits, conditions, costs and cooling off rights (if applicable).

### **Fee Disclosure Statement (FDS)**

A FDS will be issued to you in instances where you enter into an Ongoing Fee Arrangement with your Adviser for a period greater than 12 months. The FDS provides information about the fees that you will be charged in the upcoming 12-month period, services which you are entitled to receive in that period, as well as similar information about the previous 12 months. The FDS will be provided to you annually.

## **Special Instructions**

If you have any special instructions that you would like to provide us, you can do so by phone or in writing.

## **Disclosure of information**

Throughout the advice process, your personal information may be disclosed to other services providers. These may include:

- Financial product providers
- Financial planning software providers
- Administration and paraplanning service providers
- IT service providers

Crown may engage third party service providers to assist in the provision of products or services.

Some services may require disclosure of personal information to service providers outside Australia. The purpose of such disclosure is to facilitate the provision of financial services including the preparation of financial advice documents for Crown Advisers.

All reasonable steps will be taken to ensure that offshore service providers comply with the Privacy Act 1988.

Please discuss your concern (if any) with your Adviser at your first meeting.

## **Adviser Remuneration**

Your Adviser may be remunerated through either:

- Flat dollar fee; or
- Hourly rate fee; or

- Percentage fee; or
- Commission on insurance payments from product providers where applicable; or
- A combination of any of the above.

Refer to FSG Part 2, the Adviser profile, for further information on remuneration. Your fees will be detailed in the SOA provided to you.

Your consent regarding fees and benefits to be paid to your Adviser will be obtained prior to the financial service being provided.

## **Licensee remuneration**

Crown receives a flat fee or percentage of the revenue of the Adviser's remuneration for the provision of services required under its Australian Financial Services Licence.

As a Crown Adviser we have access to Adviser services including compliance tools, procedures, manuals and training, legal, technical, operational assistance, product comparison and placement support and group purchasing arrangements.

## **Referrals and Conflicts**

Your adviser may refer you to other parties where you are interested in receiving their services, or where your adviser considers that their advice or other services may be useful to you (third party providers). Crown may receive a referral fee where you decide to receive services from third party providers. Details of referral fees will be disclosed in the SOA.

## **Other forms of remuneration or benefits**

Crown and/or its Advisers may receive non-monetary benefits where:

- The amount is less than \$300 and identical or similar benefits are not given on a frequent basis;
- The benefit has a genuine education or training purpose (including attendance of conferences) and is relevant to providing financial product advice; and/or
- The benefit consists of the provision of information technology software or support and is related to the provision of financial product advice in relation to the financial products issued or sold by the benefit provider.

Payments or benefits received are disclosed in your Adviser's register. A copy of the register is available upon request.

## **Professional Indemnity**

We have arrangements in place to maintain adequate professional indemnity insurance as required by s912B of the Act.

Professional indemnity insurance indemnifies the licensee and its advisers (both past and present) in the event that a client suffers a loss that is directly attributable to a breach of legislative obligations on the licensee's or adviser's behalf.

### What to do if you have a complaint

If you have a complaint about any financial service provided to you by your Adviser, you should take the following steps:

1. Contact the **Compliance team** to discuss your complaint.  
Email: [compliance@crownwealthgroup.com.au](mailto:compliance@crownwealthgroup.com.au)
2. We will acknowledge receipt of a complaint within 24 hours (or one business day), however, where this is not possible, acknowledgement will be made as soon as practicable.
3. We will then investigate the complaint and respond to you within 45 calendar days. Some complex

matters may require an extension to thoroughly investigate the complaint and bring it to resolution. We will communicate with you of the progress of your complaint.

4. If you are not fully satisfied with our response, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA). AFCA provides fair and independent financial services complaint resolution that is free to consumers.

The contact details for AFCA are:

Phone: 1800 931 678 (free call)  
Online: [www.afca.org.au](http://www.afca.org.au)  
Email: [info@afca.org.au](mailto:info@afca.org.au)  
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