



FINANCIAL SERVICES GUIDE

Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers Pty Ltd

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About this Financial Services Guide

This Financial Services Guide ("FSG") is an important document that explains the financial planning services we offer and provides you with important information which is designed to help you consider whether to use our financial services.

It explains who we are, and what you can expect from us. It also explains how we deal with a complaint if you are unhappy with our services.

Other Documents you may receive

You may also receive other important documents if you choose to engage in any of our products or services.

If we provide you with personal advice, it will normally be documented in a **Statement of Advice** ("SoA"). This document sets out our advice, the basis of that advice, and details about the fees, costs and other benefits payable as a result of the advice given.

As part of our ongoing review and service, if we provide further advice, the appropriate document will be provided to ensure all appropriate disclosures are communicated to you as our client. We will keep a copy of the further advice that we provide. You can request a copy of the advice at any time using our contact details in this FSG.

If we recommend a financial product or arrange a financial product for you, we will make available a **Product Disclosure Statement** ("PDS"), which provides you with important information about the product, such as its features, benefits, fees and risks. This will assist you to make a decision about whether or not to buy that product.

About Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers Pty Ltd

Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers Pty Ltd ("TPWA") is licensed through Axies Pty Ltd (a subsidiary of Spark Financial Group). Axies Pty Ltd ("Axies") is a holder of an Australian Financial Services Licence (AFSL 339384).

This FSG has been given to you by your Financial Adviser with the authority of Axies. We hold professional indemnity insurance cover for the activities conducted under our AFSL which satisfies the requirements of s912B or the Corporations Act 2011 (Cth) for compensation arrangements. The insurance will cover claims in relation to the conduct of all current authorised representatives and for those who are no longer authorised under Axies (but were at the time of the relevant conduct).

Axies, through its Financial Advisors, acts for you when providing financial services to you. All Financial Advisors operating under Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers in the provision of financial services to retail clients (you) are engaged as Authorised Representatives.

Our Services

We can help you with the following:

- Finance
- Budgeting and cash flow management
- Investing in managed funds
- Investing in direct property
- Debt strategies (including borrowing for personal and investment purposes)
- Personal insurance (life cover, disability, income protection, trauma & Key Man)
- Superannuation strategies, including Self-Managed Superannuation Funds (SMSFs)
- Strategic asset allocation
- Retirement planning (retirement income streams, including pensions & annuities)
- Estate planning
- Centrelink and other government benefits
- Ongoing advice and services, including regular portfolio reviews

Any additional advice or services we can offer you, or limitations to the list of advice services, will be outlined by our financial advisors.

You can choose to receive advice addressing some or all of these aspects as well as the timing of our advice all at once or over time, as required to meet your needs as they arise. We will work with you to identify the level of advice and services appropriate for you to meet your financial goals.

Using Our Services

We will work with you to agree what advice and services we will provide and when we will provide them.

Where you agree to ongoing advice and services, the details will be documented and provided to you. This includes the frequency of contact between us, service standards that may apply, any ongoing fee arrangements and how the service can be terminated.

If at any time you wish to terminate your relationship with us, please contact us stating your name, address and phone number and provide instructions on what you require as well as why you have decided to terminate the agreement.

Personal Financial Advice

For TPWA to give you appropriate personal financial advice, you will need to provide details of your personal objectives, current financial situation, needs and any other relevant information.

You do not have to provide us with this information. If you choose not to provide this information however, we may not be able to provide you with advice, or the advice you receive may be general in nature and may not be appropriate to your objectives, financial situation and needs. You should read the warnings provided in any document that we provide to you carefully in regard to any decision relating to a financial product.

We only provide personal advice to you where you use the services of one of our representatives. We will not give you personal advice in our regular updates or marketing material, or when you visit our website. We maintain a record of your completed personal profile including details of your objectives, financial situation, needs and other personal information. For more information on how to access these records, please see the Privacy section.

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Limits of the Advice

It is important to understand that the advice your Financial Advisor provides may be limited because:

- You have provided incomplete personal information
- You have sought specific advice e.g. only in respect of superannuation
- Your Financial Advisor has a limited authorisation
- Your Financial Advisor is restricted to advising on products on our approved product list
- Your Financial Advisor is restricted to dealing and advising on products permitted under our licence.

In formulating recommendations, your Financial Advisor may consider legal and estate planning implications. As we are not specialists in these areas, you should seek further advice, as relevant, from an appropriate specialist.

Based on the information collected from you, we will consider the tax consequences that relate directly to the financial advice being provided. However, although Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers Pty Ltd is registered with the tax practitioner board as a tax (financial) advisor, it is not a Registered Tax Agent and consequently this advice does not include an assessment of your overall tax position. As such, we strongly recommend you review this advice with a Registered Tax Agent for the purpose of completing tax returns and for detailed tax advice on your overall financial position.

How you can give us Instructions about your Financial Services

You can contact us directly with any instructions relating to your financial services. This includes giving us instructions by telephone, mail or email. We can only accept your instructions via email once you have signed an authority form.

Financial Planning Fees, Commissions, Remuneration and Interests

Initial Advice Fees

These are paid when you have agreed to receive our advice.

Our charges range from \$1,000 for simple advice and up to \$12,000 for strategic financial planning advice. Our charge for a no advice service will be subject to a minimum fee of \$330 per hour. All fees are inclusive of GST.

These prices should be used as a guide only. We will discuss your individual needs and agree our costs with you. The final cost will be based on the complexity and extent of services we agree to provide you. These fees will also be provided within your SoA.

Ongoing Advice Services

We offer ongoing advice services as part of our client value proposition. Our ongoing advice service fees are an asset-based fee for funds under management, and are listed below inclusive of GST.

Our current Asset Based Fee is calculated as follows:

(i) 0.88% per annum including GST for amounts up to \$1,000,000 And reducing to

(ii) 0.44% per annum including GST for the excess above \$1,000,000 And reducing to

(iii) 0.22% per annum including GST for the excess about \$10,000,000

The asset-based fee noted above is subject to a minimum of \$110 per month including GST and this minimum fee will be indexed to CPI each year.

Please note: At your annual review, if there are any further advice requirements that need to be documented, your financial advisor will provide a quote for you to approve prior to proceeding.

Your tailored ongoing service package will be discussed and agreed with you based on your individual needs and goals. The cost of these services will be provided and explained to you in detail by your Financial Advisor and detailed in your initial SoA.

Payment Methods

Where you have asked to be invoiced directly for our advice and services we will provide you with an invoice at the time of presenting our advice. Payment is required within 7 days of receiving our invoice and can be paid by:

- Credit Card
- Electronic funds transfer (EFT)
- Where you have chosen to pay our initial advice fees via your product, these fees will be deducted from your product upon implementation of our advice.

Risk Insurance Commissions

Risk insurance product providers will pay Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers upfront and on-going commissions if you proceed with a risk insurance product one of our Advisors recommends to you. The upfront commission payable to Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers for advising on and implementing risk insurance financial products for you can range as per below.

Commission caps

The ASIC Instrument provides for a transition period in respect to the limits on commission (inclusive of GST), so that commission is capped at 66% of the premium for the first year of the policy, from 1 January 2020.

The ASIC Instrument also caps commission (inclusive of GST) for subsequent years following the first year of the policy at 22% (there is no transition period in respect to this cap). Further, if the benefit is given because of a client initiated increase, then specific formulae apply.

For example, on an insurance premium of \$1,000 (<u>year 2020</u>) that is paying 66% initial commission and up to 22% on-going commission, the upfront commission may be \$660 once-off and the on-going commission would be \$220 per annum.

There will be a 100% clawback of commission where the life insurance policy is cancelled, not continued or the

policy cost is reduced in the first year and 60% clawback of commission in the second year.

As we use commissions as a way to offset your costs for advice, where a clawback of commission applies (i.e. policy cancellation), the full value of the clawback will be invoiced to you, and payment due within 7 days.

How our Staff are remunerated

Our staff are remunerated by salary that includes superannuation benefits. The amount of salary varies according to the staff member's position within Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers. Our staff may also be eligible for bonus and incentive payments that is based on a number of factors, including performance, meeting customer service standards, and proper administration.

Dealer Group Benefits

As a Corporate Authorised representative of Axies Pty Ltd, licence fee remuneration that incorporates Professional Indemnity Insurance, compliance and administration services is payable to Spark Financial Group, who owns Axies Pty Ltd.

Licensee Benefits, Interests and Associations

Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers does not receive any of the payments directly from the product providers. Where there are other fees, charges, commissions or benefits not listed above that Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers or its Financial Advisors may receive for recommending and arranging financial planning products and services to you, we will provide this information to you when we make specific recommendations in the Statement of Advice.

Shareholdings

I, and/or an associated entity have no shares in any product provider that may influence my advice.

Remuneration paid to and from Referral Partners

From the 1st of January 2020, Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers and its advisors are not able to receive any referral payments form any service providers we may refer you to.

Credit Contracts Acting as an Intermediary

We do not receive commission either directly or indirectly from any credit contract or lease.

Conflict of Interest

Importantly, whilst Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers will work with you to discuss your financial goals, Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers operates as a business under a license owned by Axies Pty Ltd (a subsidiary of Spark Financial Group).

In the course of providing you with advice, you may be recommended strategies that lead to purchases of products and services from parties related to our Licensee, Axies Pty Ltd.

Despite this being a potential conflict of interest, it is Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers' obligation to ensure that we act in your Best Interests at all times. Acting in your Best Interests must be documented appropriately in your Statement of Advice, where if this is demonstrated we will be entitled to additional remuneration which will assist in subsidising the cost of your Advice. Where you purchase from these parties, we may receive additional remuneration benefits.

Disputes or Complaints

We are committed to providing our customers with the best possible service. If at any time you feel we have not met our obligations – or you have a complaint about any of our services – please inform us so we can work towards a resolution. We will endeavour to deal with your complaint promptly, thoroughly and fairly.

How to Make a Complaint and the Complaints Process

If you need assistance in describing or making a complaint, or if you just want to discuss your concerns informally before deciding whether to make a complaint, please feel free to contact us.

If you have a complaint, we would like to be the first to know if you are not happy with our services. We request you follow these steps:

- 1. Please contact our AFSL Responsible Manager in writing, using the following method: By email: <u>arthurkallos@sparkfg.com.au</u>
- 2. Please provide full contact details so we may respond to you quickly
- 3. Give us as much detail as possible about the nature of your complaint and provide any documentation that supports your complaint.

We will:

- Confirm receipt of your complaint within 48 hours;
- Endeavour to resolve your complaint within 30 days;
- If the complaint is complex we will inform you of the delays and the likely resolution date.

Complaints about Third Party Products or Services

If your complaint relates to a product or service acquired through a third party (for example, a lender) we may ask you to contact the relevant third party. They will deal with your complaint under their complaints resolution process.

If you are not satisfied with the resolution of your complaint by the third party under their complaints resolution process, you are entitled to have your dispute considered by their External Dispute Resolution Scheme. Please contact the third party for further details.

Keeping you Informed about Your Complaint

We will keep you informed at regular intervals about the progress of our investigations and response(s).

Still Not Satisfied?

If after 45 days we cannot reach a satisfactory resolution of your complaint, you may take the matter – free of charge – to the relevant External Disputes Resolution (EDR) Scheme (provided it is within the scheme's terms of reference) as detailed below. You may also refer the matter to the relevant EDR Scheme at any time, but if our internal process is still in progress, they may request that our internal processes be complete before considering the matter further.

Our financial service licensee's external dispute resolution service provider is the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA) who has replaced the three existing EDR schemes of the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS), the Credit and Investments Ombudsman (CIO) and Superannuation Complaints Tribunal (SCT) so that consumers have access to a single EDR scheme. You could contact AFCA via:

- Telephone: 1800 931 678
- Mail: GPO Box 3, Melbourne, Vic. 3001

Privacy

To develop a successful financial strategy, including recommending suitable products which will meet your needs, we need to consider your personal circumstances and financial goals. We will ask you for information about your financial situation and needs prior to our initial meeting, or during our meeting to ensure our advice is appropriate for your circumstances. You have the right not to divulge this information to us, if you do not wish to do so. In such a case, we may warn you about the possible consequences of us not having your full personal information, which may include us not being able to assist with advice that is relevant to your circumstances.

We keep a record of your personal information and advice documents for a period of no less than 7 years. On your request, we can provide you with a copy of this information. Charges may apply to cover external costs incurred as a result of accessing and providing you with this information plus a 10% administration fee.

In order to provide our services to you, your personal information may be transferred or disclosed overseas as some services providers connected to the administration of your accounts and other services we provide are located outside of Australia. Where information is transferred or disclosed overseas, we will ensure that our contractual arrangements contain provisions requiring that the recipient has appropriate data handling and security systems in place to prevent misuse, loss or unauthorised disclosure in accordance with Australian Privacy laws and standards.

It is also important that you keep us up to date by informing us of any changes in your circumstances, so we are able to determine if our advice continues to be appropriate. You may contact us to update your personal information.

We are committed to implementing a Privacy Policy which will ensure the privacy and security of your personal information. Any personal information collected from you will be handled in accordance with our Privacy Policy. Our Privacy Policy details how we comply with the requirements of the Privacy Act in the handling of our personal information. A copy of our Privacy policy can be found in our website. If you require further information, please let us know.

Please note that the information you have provided will be shared amongst certain third parties other than myself such as;

- Axies Pty Ltd a subsidiary of Spark Financial Group (Licensee),
- Financial product providers,
- Service providers engaged to provide financial planning related services including but not limited to
 paraplanning, compliance, administration, estate planning and financial services software
 (IRESS/COMPASS & WorkSorted). This includes service providers located outside of Australia, including
 Philippines, Vietnam, Malaysia, India and potentially other countries in South East Asia. For a current
 list of providers engaged by Licensee Axies Pty Ltd, please check the Spark Approved Panel of
 Providers.
- Companies involved in communicating the information in the FSG to any of the above parties, may use services such as electronic mail services, cloud storage services such as Google Drive, OneDrive and/or document creation services.

The information above will be shared as outlined unless otherwise directed by you.

Appendix 1 – Our Financial Advisors

Mervin Reed FAICD, AAFA, ADFS(FP), JP, AdvDipFP Principal Director – Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers Pty Ltd Authorised Representative Number – 000249446 Tax Practitioner Board Number - 24838648

Mervin Reed has more than 20 years of experience as a Senior Financial Planner, and specialises in corporate and business solutions with Superannuation, Risk Insurances and Managed Investments.

Mervin also provides solutions for retirees and those intending to retire and return to work.

Mervin aims to build long term relationships with individuals and businesses, by working with them to build and protect their assets and net worth.

He is committed to providing his clients with advice based on outcomes that are practical and value adding, whilst at the same time being part of long term solutions.

Mervin is a Chartered Financial Planner, holds an Advanced Diploma in Financial Services (Financial Planning) and holds Fellow status with the Australian Institute of Company Directors. He is a practitioner member of the Australian Financial Advisers Association.

Alexander Reed DFS(FP) AdvDipFP

Director – Tasmanian Private Wealth Advisers Pty Ltd Authorised Representative Number – 001000421

Alexander is a financial adviser with more than 12 years of experience in the financial services industry with 6 of those years as a practising Financial Adviser.

Alexander specialises in superannuation, Risk insurances and managed investments as well as retirement and estate planning.

Alexander is committed to providing his clients with advice aimed at outcomes that are practical and add value, while looking at long term solutions and outcomes for his clients.

Alexander holds an advanced Diploma in Financial Services (Financial Planning) and is a practitioner member of the Australian Financial Advisers Association.



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CLIENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Please sign and date this form to acknowledge that you have received and read the Financial Services Guide. Once signed please return this form to your Advisor.

FSG Version Received 1.0

Please tick this box, if you give consent to accept all above terms via electronic/digital signature.

Signed.....

Date.....

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Dated 1 April 2021