# **Financial Services Guide**

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## Purpose of this FSG

This FSG will help you decide whether to use the services that we offer. It contains information about:

- The services we offer and their cost
- Any conflicts of interest which may impact the services
- How we are remunerated
- How we deal with complaints if you are not satisfied with our services.

## **Thatcher Financial Group**

Thatcher Financial Group holds an Australian Financial Services Licence. It is required to comply with the obligations of the Corporations Act and the conditions of its licence.

This includes the need to have adequate compensation arrangements in place with a Professional Indemnity insurer for the financial services that it and its current and past representatives provide.

Our details are:

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Greensborough VIC 3088

Telephone: 0431 107 198 Postal Address: PO Box 30

Briar Hill VIC 3088

Website: www.thatcherfinancial.com.au

#### **Our services**

We are authorised to provide personal advice, general advice and dealing services in the following areas:

- Superannuation and SMSF
- Retirement planning
- Portfolio management
- Personal risk insurance
- Managed investments
- Securities
- Margin lending

#### **Fees**

All fees are payable to Thatcher Financial Group Pty Ltd.

#### Initial advice fee

The initial advice fee includes meeting with you, the time we take to determine our advice and the production of the Statement of Advice (SOA). It is based on the scope and complexity of advice provided to you. We will agree the fee with you before providing you with advice.

If you decide to proceed with our advice, we may charge an Implementation fee for the time we spend assisting you with implementation. We will let you know what the fee will be in the SOA.

#### Annual advice fee

Our annual fee depends on the services that we provide to you and is agreed with you at the start of each year. It is charged as a flat fee and is paid monthly.

#### **Insurance commissions**

We receive a one-off upfront commission when you take out an insurance policy we recommend. We also receive a monthly commission payment for as long as you continue to hold the policy. The commission will vary depending on the recommended product and will be documented in the SOA or Record of Advice (ROA).

#### Not independent

We do not charge you a fee for our advice on risk insurance policies as we are paid a commission by the product provider. Our advice on risk insurance is therefore not independent, impartial or unbiased. In all other cases, we charge a fee for our advice services and do not receive commissions or other payments from product providers.

### Other benefits

We may receive other benefits from product providers such as training, meals and entertainment. Details of any benefits received above \$100 will be maintained on a register which is available to you on request.

### **Adviser remuneration**

Shaun Thatcher is the owner of the practice and is remunerated through the profits that the practice makes.

## The financial advice process

We recognise that the objectives and personal circumstances of each client are different.

Where we provide personal advice, we will listen to you to understand your objectives and circumstances. We will also ask questions to make sure we provide advice which is in your best interests.

When we first provide personal advice to you it will be explained thoroughly and documented in a SOA which you can take away and read.

The SOA will explain the basis for our advice, the main risks associated with the advice, the cost to you of implementing the advice, the benefits we receive and any conflicts of interest which may influence the advice.

For administration platforms, managed funds and personal risk insurance products we will provide you with a Product Disclosure Statement. This contains information to help you understand the product being recommended.

At all times you are able to contact us and ask questions about our advice and the products we recommend.

You can provide instructions to us in writing, via phone or via email. In some cases, we may require you to provide signed instructions.

We may provide further advice to you to keep your plan up to date for changes in your circumstances, changes in the law and changes in the economy and products.

If we provide further advice it will be documented in a Record of Advice which we retain on file. You can request a copy of the ROA document at any time up to 7 years after the advice is provided.

## Making a complaint

We endeavour to provide you with the best advice and service at all times. If you are not satisfied with our services, then we encourage you to contact us. Please call us or put your complaint in writing to our office.

If you are not satisfied with our response you can refer it to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority. You can contact AFCA on 1800 931 678 or via their website <a href="www.afca.org.au">www.afca.org.au</a>. This service is provided to you free of charge.

# Your privacy

We are committed to protecting your privacy.

We have a Privacy Policy which sets out how we collect, hold, use and disclose your personal information. Our Privacy Policy is available on request and is on our website.

