

# Stewards Foundation of Christian Brethren

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## Product Disclosure Statement SFCB Non Cash Payment Products

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## PRODUCT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT – NON CASH PAYMENTS PRODUCTS

### IMPORTANT NOTE

Stewards Foundation of Christian Brethren's (SFCB) is a charity incorporated under the Stewards' Foundation of Christian Brethren Act 1989 (NSW). The company provides financial services to Christian Community Churches of Australia and other Christian organisations throughout Australia. SFCB has been endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as an Income Tax Exempt Charitable Institution. SFCB is a "charity" within the meaning of Regulatory Guide 87 and Class Order 02/184 exemption issued by the Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC). SFCB invites investments in accordance with its registered charitable scheme.

Please note that the debenture products offered by SFCB are designed for investors who wish to promote the religious and charitable purposes of SFCB and for whom the consideration of profit is not of primary relevance in their investment decision.

In accordance with APRA Banking (Exemption) Order No. 96:

- SFCB is not prudentially supervised by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) and SFCB is not authorised under the Banking Act 1959 (Cth);
- Investments with SFCB are not covered by the depositor protection provisions in section 13A of the Banking Act 1959 (Cth).

The debenture products offered by SFCB are:

- Not subject to the normal requirements under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) to have a trust deed, to issue a disclosure document or a Product Disclosure Statement,<sup>1</sup> nor lodge such a document with ASIC;
- Not subject to the normal protections that would apply under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth); and
- Not examined or approved by ASIC.

This Product Disclosure Statement ("PDS") contains important information but does not take into account your investment objectives, financial position or particular needs and therefore does not constitute a recommendation, advice or opinion. Before making an investment in SFCB debentures, you should read this PDS carefully in its entirety and consult a financial adviser and/or other professional adviser to ensure this is appropriate for your particular financial objectives, needs and circumstances.

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<sup>1</sup> Though this product disclosure statement is issued for your information or more complete understanding of SFCB's offering.

This offer of debentures under this PDS may only be used by persons who receive it in Australia. The information in this PDS does not constitute an offer in any jurisdiction other than Australia. This is not an offer to any person or an offer in any place, to which or in which it is unlawful to make such an offer. It is an offer of debentures only; no other type of financial product is offered by the SFCB.

If you have any queries regarding this PDS, please contact a SFCB Head Office at the following:

Level 3, 29 George Street, BURWOOD NSW 2134: Postal: P O Box 260 BURWOOD NSW 1805

or by:

Telephone: 1300 728 227 or (02) 8775 3100

Email: [admin@stewardsfoundation.com.au](mailto:admin@stewardsfoundation.com.au)

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

Please view our Identification statement at [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au)

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## **PART 1**

### **1. Definitions**

**AFSL** means Australian Financial Services Licence.

**APRA** means Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

**ASIC** means Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

**At Call Account** means any account that has funds available for withdrawal at any time subject to the individual terms and conditions and is subject to a variable interest rate.

**Authorised Signatory** means you or any person authorised to operate your account(s).

**SFCB:** Stewards Foundation of Christian Brethren ABN 57 246 942 907.

**StewardsOnline:** An interactive website which allows you access to your SFCB accounts. StewardsOnline is a non-cash payment facility offered by SFCB and its terms are set out in our Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement – SFCB Non Cash Payment Products. Please ensure you obtain and read that document before operating a non-cash payment facility with SFCB.

**StewardsOnline Business:** An interactive website for Church, Christian organisations and business clients which allows them access to their SFCB accounts. StewardsOnline Business is a non-cash payment facility offered by SFCB and its terms are set out in our Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement – SFCB Non Cash Payment Products. Please ensure you obtain and read that document before operating a non-cash payment facility with SFCB.

**Business Day** means a day other than a Saturday or Sunday or a public holiday in Sydney, New South Wales.

**Direct Debit** means a payment facility through which regular payments are made from your account. Direct Debit is a non-cash payment facility offered by SFCB and its terms are set out in our Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement – SFCB Non Cash Payment Products. Please ensure you obtain and read that document before operating a non-cash payment facility with SFCB.

**Direct Debit Agreement** means form required to be completed to enable SFCB to set up a Direct Debit.

**Direct Debit Transfer** means a transfer from an established predefined external account. Direct Debit Transfer is a non-cash payment facility offered by SFCB and its terms are set out in our Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement – SFCB Non Cash Payment Products. Please ensure you obtain and read that document before operating a non-cash payment facility with SFCB.

**EFT** means Electronic Funds Transfer and are funds transfers initiated by giving an instruction, through electronic equipment and using an access method, to SFCB (directly or indirectly) to debit or credit an account maintained by SFCB. This can include, but not limited to, receipt of rent, pensions, etc, drawing of health fund payments, telephone bills, etc. Also referred to as Electronic Funds (credit) Transfer and Electronic Funds (debit) Transfer.

**eStatements** means statements available for download when signed in to the StewardsOnline portal.

**FSG/PDS** means Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement – SFCB Non Cash Payment Products.

**Payment Service /Direct Credit** means EFT.

**PDS** means this document.

**Term Investment** means any account when funds are lodged for a set term and interest rate.

**We/us/our:** SFCB.

**You/your:** A SFCB account holder either individually or jointly or any person acting with authority on behalf of the account holder.

## **2. Purpose and Contents of this Product Information Statement (“PDS”)**

The purpose of this PDS is to offer SFCB’s debenture products and provide you with important information regarding the SFCB debenture products we offer, including the following information:

- Who is SFCB;
- How to contact SFCB;
- Which products SFCB is authorised to offer;
- Key features/benefits/risks of these products;
- Any (potential) conflicts of interest SFCB may have in offering these products;
- SFCB’s internal and external dispute resolution process; and
- Applicable account and service fees for these products.

We may change, add to or delete information in this PDS at any time. This includes varying interest rates, the way interest is calculated or imposing any fee or charge. In doing so, we must act in accordance with any relevant legislation.

Where we make changes to these terms and conditions that require us to notify you in advance of the change, we will provide you with a notice of the change and the date the change is to be implemented.

Where we are not required to give you notice prior to implementing the change, we may do so immediately without providing prior notification to you.

Any notice we are required to give to you concerning any change to the terms and conditions may be given to you in accordance with any law or code, which may include:

- Advice on or with your statement;
- A notice on electronic equipment, such as [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au) or
- A letter.

Any notice or document may be given by us sending it to your last known address. Except where it contravenes a law, if we send it to your last known address, it is taken to have been received on the date it would have been delivered in the ordinary course of the post.

A certificate signed by an officer of SFCB is evidence of the postage date and that the mail was posted on the date specified in the certificate.

To obtain a current copy of any parts of this document without charge please contact SFCB.

This PDS does not constitute an offer or solicitation to anyone outside Australia.

If you decide to make an investment in SFCB's debenture products, you should retain this PDS for future reference as it contains a summary of the key features of, and the terms and conditions which apply to, your investment.

If you would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact us. Further details about our services are also available on our website. [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au)

### **3. Name of Issuer & Australian Financial Services License ("AFSL")**

The Issuer is Stewards Foundation of Christian Brethren ABN 57 246 942 907 ("SFCB"), and the Principal Contact is the General Manager.

This PDS has been prepared by SFCB and has not been and is not required to be lodged with ASIC. The PDS and the debenture products offered herein have not been examined or approved by ASIC and ASIC assumes no responsibility for the contents of this PDS or the debenture products offered herein.

SFCB holds Australian Financial Services Licence No. 458495 and is authorised to provide advice and to deal (Issue, Apply for, Acquire, Vary, Dispose of) in relation to deposit and payment products, limited to non-cash payment products to retail and wholesale clients. This PDS is issued pursuant to ASIC Regulatory Guide 87 and ASIC Class Order 02/184 exemption.

### **4. Contact details of SFCB**

STEWARDS FOUNDATION OF CHRISTIAN BRETHERN  
Level 3, 29 George Street, BURWOOD NSW 2134  
Postal: P O Box 260 BURWOOD NSW 1805  
or by:  
Telephone: 1300 728 227 or (02) 8775 3100  
Email: [admin@stewardsfoundation.com.au](mailto:admin@stewardsfoundation.com.au)  
Website: [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au)

### **5. The debenture products offered by SFCB**

SFCB offers the following debenture products:

- Savings Accounts at Call
- Progressive Online Saver Accounts at Call
- Business Savings Online Accounts at Call
- Development Fund Savings Accounts at Call
- Funeral Savings Accounts
- Term Investments

#### **Key Features and Benefits of SFCB debenture products**

- No transaction or account keeping fees. For full details of fees refer to Part 2.
- Accessible at any time via our StewardsOnline internet account access service. Refer to FSG/PDS for full details on StewardsOnline.
- Interest payments are credited to the account.
- Interest payments can be made into a nominated account with a financial institution (approved by the Australian Payments Clearing Association).



- Statements are issued at least annually at the end of June.
- Funds may be lodged to the account by:
  - Internet Transfer from an external financial institution;
  - Cheque sent to SFCB Head Office;
  - Direct Electronic Transfer;
  - Periodical Payment; or
- Direct Debit Transfer from an established predefined external account. Direct Debit Transfer is a non-cash payment facility offered by SFCB and its terms are set out in our FSG/PDS. Please ensure you obtain and read that document before operating a non-cash payment facility with SFCB.
- Your investment helps support the work of churches, schools, camp sites and other SFCB ministries and to promote religious and charitable purposes.

### **Key Risks of SFCB debenture products**

- Interest rates may change if market rates change. The rate of interest may be varied by SFCB from time to time without prior notice and is available from SFCB by contacting one of our offices or from our web site. The interest rate on Term Investments is fixed for the term of the nominated lodgement period. Interest Rates are detailed in Part 3 of this PDS.
- All debenture products with SFCB are unsecured, and investors are advised that neither the performance of a return on investments, nor repayment of capital is guaranteed.
- Cheques lodged to an account generally take up to three (3) New South Wales Business days to clear.
- Funds cannot be relied upon until such time as the cheque is paid.

### **Costs of SFCB debenture products**

- Account and service fees are detailed in Part 2 of this PDS.

For further details as to the nature, key benefits, significant risks and costs of utilising our debenture products, please refer to the section 14. Please note the following information is only a summary of the significant issues, and is not intended to be exhaustive. If you are not fully familiar with such products we strongly recommend you obtain independent financial and/or professional advice before proceeding with an investment.

The specific contractual terms and conditions which apply to your dealings in these products are detailed later in this PDS.

### **Investments in which your funds may be placed**

Funds invested in SFCB debenture products may be invested by SFCB in secured or unsecured loans, securities, government or semi-government securities, interest bearing deposits or bank securities, ADI securities, the money market, bills of exchange, mortgage loans, floating rate notes, registered managed investment schemes, and real estate.

### **Liquidity Reserve**

SFCB maintains a liquidity reserve of a minimum of 25% of SFCB's total debenture products in accordance with SFCB's policy.

#### **5.1 Savings Accounts at Call**

The Savings Accounts at Call debenture product is designed to cater for your access and transaction needs with funds available at call.

You will be required to complete an application form and provide the requested identification documentation. Appropriate forms are available from our Sydney office as listed in our website.

#### **Key Features and Benefits**

- Your account is a basic transaction account.
- There is no minimum investment amount.
- No fixed term – your funds are at call.
- Tiered interest rates are available.
- Interest is calculated daily and credited to the account at the end of each calendar month.
- Available for personal and business investors.

Please ensure you read sections 14 and 15 in this PDS for the general and specific terms and conditions which will apply to this product.

#### **5.2 Progressive Online Saver Accounts at Call**

Personal investors can invest in a higher value debenture investment and enjoy a competitive rate of interest with easy access to your funds over the internet through StewardsOnline at any time of the day subject to processing cut-off times.

You will be required to complete an Application Form and provide the requested identification documentation.

#### **Key Features and Benefits**

- Your account is a basic transaction account.
- There is no minimum investment amount.
- No fixed term – money is at Call.
- Tiered interest rates are available.
- Interest is calculated daily and credited to the account at the end of each calendar month.
- Available for personal investors.
- To be eligible to open this account, you must have another SFCB at Call investment account which is accessible through StewardsOnline.
- Withdrawals of any amount can only be transferred to another SFCB Savings or SFCB Loan Account using StewardsOnline.

#### **Key Risks**

- Withdrawals can only be made using StewardsOnline internet account access to another SFCB at Call account.

Please ensure you read Sections 14 and 15 in this PDS for the general and specific terms and conditions which will apply to this product.

#### **5.3 Business Online Saver Accounts at Call**

Church and business investors can invest in a higher value debenture investment and enjoy a competitive rate of interest with easy access to your funds over the internet through StewardsOnline at any time of the day. You will be required to complete an Application Form and provide the requested identification documentation.

### **Key Features and Benefits**

- Your account is a basic transaction account.
- There is no minimum investment amount.
- No fixed term – money is at Call.
- Tiered interest rates are available.
- Interest is calculated daily and credited to the account at the end of each calendar month.
- Available for Church and business investors.
- To be eligible to open an account, you must have another at Call, SFCB accessible through StewardsOnline.
- Withdrawals of any amount can be transferred to another SFCB Savings or SFCB Loan Account.

### **Key Risks**

- Withdrawals can only be made using StewardsOnline internet account access to another SFCB at Call account.

Please ensure you read sections 14 and 15 in this PDS for the general and specific terms and conditions which will apply to this product.

### **5.6 Funeral Savings Account**

Funeral Savings Account is a special purpose debenture investment account that allows the investor to put money aside to help meet the cost of their funeral up to a maximum as approved by Centrelink. The maximum amount can be found on our web site [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au). This can be a great comfort at a time of grief for those bereaved.

The account is not a prepaid funeral account. Money invested can only be withdrawn to assist with costs relating to the funeral of the individual investor.

You will be required to complete an Application Form and provide the requested identification documentation.

### **Key Features and Benefits**

- Your account/s provides funds to assist with payment of the investor's funeral expenses at a time of grief for those bereaved.
- Up to 2 accounts may be opened by the same individual.
- Account/s must be in one individual name only. Joint accounts are not available.
- Interest is calculated daily and credited to the account at the end of each calendar month.
- Any residual funds [after funeral costs have been met] are paid to the Estate of the deceased investor.
- Additional funds may be invested at any time up to the limit of contributions approved by the Federal Government.
- Exempt from Centrelink income and assets tests (subject to special conditions).
- Monies can only be invested by:
  - Cheque sent to our Sydney Office; or

- Transfer from another SFCB account.

### **Key Risks**

- Funds invested in the Funeral Savings Account/s cannot under any circumstances be withdrawn prior to the death of the investor.

Please ensure you read Sections 15 in this PDS for the general and specific terms and conditions which will apply to this product.

### **5.8 Term Investments**

Our Term Investments are accepted for a fixed term between 3 and 36 months.

You will be required to complete an Application Form and provide the requested identification documentation.

### **Key Features and Benefits**

- Your Term Investment provides a guaranteed interest rate on your investment for a fixed term.
- Interest is calculated daily and credited on maturity, or, where available, at other frequency chosen by you (also see section 15)
- Additional investments cannot be made during the fixed term and may only be added up to 10 calendar days following renewal of an existing investment.
- Available for personal and business investors.

### **Key Risks and Costs**

- Interest rates are fixed for the term of the nominated lodgement period.
- An Early Redemption Adjustment (ERA) may be applied if the Term Investment is redeemed prior to its scheduled maturity date.
- Please ensure you read sections 14 and 15 in this PDS for the general and specific terms and conditions which will apply to this product.

## **6 How to apply for an investment**

Application and supplementary forms to facilitate your investment in SFCB's debenture products may be downloaded from SFCB's website or alternatively you may contact your SFCB Sydney Office by phone or email and request the necessary documents be sent directly to you. You will need to complete, sign and return all necessary original documents to SFCB before your investment is implemented. Authorised signatories may need to provide the required identification documentation. We may also be required to reconfirm your identity and personal details at any time your investment remains open.

SFCB may request further additional documentation and information if necessary, to implement your investment.

Prior to signing the relevant forms, you should carefully read the terms and conditions contained in this PDS and seek independent legal and/or financial advice to resolve any queries you may have.

SFCB reserves the right not to accept any investment without assigning any reason.

In offering these debenture products, SFCB provides product information only and does not give any personal advice.

## 7. Documentation

SFCB will provide you with an application or authorisation form in order to facilitate your use of our debenture products, which you will need to sign and return, prior to using these services. SFCB has the right to request additional documentation if it so requires. This may include information sought to confirm the identity of investors and/or authorised signatories to accounts.

SFCB will also provide you with an Investor Acknowledgment Statement that it will require you to complete before subscriptions can be processed for debentures.

Please contact us for a copy of the relevant form or download the form from our website [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au). You should read the terms and conditions detailed in this PDS carefully and seek independent legal and/or financial advice should you have any concerns, prior to signing the relevant form.

SFCB does not provide any personal advice (advice which takes into consideration one or more of your financial objectives, circumstances or needs). We are obliged to warn you that our transaction and product information provided to you as a retail client does not take account of your objectives, financial situation or needs.

Therefore, we recommend that you take all reasonable steps to fully understand the outcomes of specific products and strategies adopted in relation to utilising the services provided by SFCB.

## 8. Statements

We will send you a statement of your SFCB products at least once every six months. You may request more frequent statements to be sent. Statements may also be viewed through StewardsOnline at any time. For joint products, we will send the statement to the primary product holder. Secondary or joint product-holders may request a copy of the statement.

### SFCB eStatements Terms and Conditions

#### Key Features and Benefits of SFCB StewardsOnline eStatements

The StewardsOnline eStatement facility enables SFCB clients to view their statements (eStatements) online within StewardsOnline, rather than receiving paper statements sent to a postal address.

If you currently receive a paper statement and register to receive an eStatement you will receive an email each time a new eStatement becomes available in StewardsOnline.

eStatements will be provided in a PDF format and can be viewed, saved and printed from StewardsOnline. In addition to eStatements, other marketing material and information that would normally accompany a paper statement may also be included as a PDF document within StewardsOnline or be provided via a separate link.

#### Conditions of use – Personal Clients

1. You are required to be registered for StewardsOnline before you can register for eStatements. Access to StewardsOnline is via the SFCB website [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au)
2. You must register to receive eStatements and provide an email address to receive notification that a new eStatement is available to view in StewardsOnline.
3. You are required to have a compatible PDF viewer such as Adobe Acrobat to view your eStatements and any accompanying SFCB information online.

You must ensure that your email address is updated if it changes. This is to ensure notification of eStatements is always sent to the correct email address. A change to an email address can be completed online and can be updated in StewardsOnline under Client Maintenance>Contact Details>email address.

4. Should the email notification “bounce back” we will contact you requesting a new email address.
5. Once you are registered to receive eStatements, paper statements will no longer be sent.
6. You agree to regularly check your email for notices that eStatements are available.
7. If you locate any errors, discrepancies, or unauthorised transactions you must notify SFCB immediately by calling SFCB on 1300 728 227.
8. You will be responsible for maintaining and checking your electronic equipment.
9. You will be responsible for printing or saving important information and we strongly recommend that you do so.
10. You can cancel your registration to receive eStatements at any time. By deregistering for this service you will revert to receiving paper statements.
11. Access to eStatements is subject to system availability. If for any reason we are unable to provide an eStatement we may send a paper statement to your nominated postal address.
12. If the product is closed the final statement will be provided in paper form.
13. There will be no Archived statements prior to the implementation of eStatements. The eStatement archive in StewardsOnline will grow month by month following the implementation of eStatements. eStatements will be available for up to 7 years.

#### **Conditions of use – Church and Business Clients**

1. Any Church or Business clients that wish to access SFCB eStatements are required to be registered for StewardsOnline. Access to StewardsOnline is via the SFCB website [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au)
2. For a church or Business to register to receive SFCB eStatements they are required to complete the eStatement Church/Business Registration form.
3. SFCB will then issue the Church or Business with a login code and password for StewardsOnline. This access will only allow enquiry access to the products with SFCB and the ability to register for SFCB eStatements.
4. It is the Church or Business’ responsibility to provide the login code and password to those who have authority to use such codes and SFCB accepts no responsibility as to who these codes are issued to by the Church or Business.
5. It is up to the Church or Business to amend the password as and when required i.e. when the authorised persons are changed, etc.
6. The Church or Business must register to receive eStatements and provide an email address to receive notification that a new eStatement is available to view in StewardsOnline.
7. The Church or Business is required to have a compatible PDF viewer such as Adobe Acrobat to view your eStatements and any accompanying SFCB information online.
8. The Church or Business must ensure that your email address is updated, if it changes. This is to ensure notification of eStatements is always sent to the correct email address. A change

to an email address can be completed online and can be updated in StewardsOnline under Client Maintenance>Contact Details>email address.

9. Should the email notification “bounce back” we will contact the Church or Business requesting a new email address.
10. Once the Church or Business is registered to receive eStatements, paper statements will no longer be sent.
11. The Church or Business agrees to regularly check their email for notices that eStatements are available.
12. If the Church or Business locate any errors, discrepancies, or unauthorised transactions they must notify SFCB immediately by calling SFCB on 1300 728 227.
13. The Church or Business will be responsible for maintaining and checking their electronic equipment.
14. The Church or Business will be responsible for printing or saving important information and we strongly recommend that they do so.
15. The Church or Business can cancel the registration to receive eStatements at any time. By deregistering for this service they will revert to receiving paper statements.
16. Access to eStatements is subject to system availability. If for any reason we are unable to provide an eStatement we may send a paper statement to your nominated postal address.
17. If the product is closed the final statement will be provided in paper form.
18. Archived statements prior to the implementation of eStatements will only be available starting from July 2015.

The eStatement archive in StewardsOnline will grow month-by-month following the implementation of eStatements.

eStatements will be available for up to seven (7) years.

## **9. Remuneration / Benefits / Commissions received by SFCB in providing financial services**

SFCB receive no commissions for the financial services provided.

### **How our staff are paid**

All staff receive a salary that includes superannuation benefits. No commissions are received by SFCB employees, directors or members.

## **10. Conflicts of interest**

In the event SFCB has any arrangement or relationship which may influence our services to you, there is an obligation to disclose any such arrangement or relationship to you prior to investing in our debenture products.

SFCB does not currently have any arrangement or relationship which might influence our services to you.

## **11. Dispute Resolution Process**

SFCB is committed to providing quality advice and accurate information. As part of that commitment, we are focused upon improving client satisfaction by providing an efficient and accessible system for complaint resolution.

We will always endeavour to resolve your complaint quickly and fairly.

If you have any complaint about the service provided to you, you should take the following steps:

1. SFCB is committed to providing quality products and services. We have an internal dispute resolution process in place to resolve any complaints or concerns you may have, quickly and fairly. Any complaints or concerns should be raised at first instance with a member of our staff located in Sydney, who will seek to resolve your complaint within 3 working days (up to a maximum of 20 days).
2. If you are dissatisfied with the outcome, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Financial Ombudsman Service [Tel: 1300 780 808], an approved external dispute resolution scheme, of which SFCB is a member.
3. Otherwise, you can contact the Financial Ombudsman Service (“FOS”) by:

phoning: 1800 367 287;

writing to:

FOS

GPO Box 3

Melbourne Vic 3001;

faxing to: (03) 9613 6399;

emailing to: [clients@fos.org.au](mailto:clients@fos.org.au);

Website: [www.fos.org.au](http://www.fos.org.au).

You can also contact the ASIC on 1300 300 630. You may contact ASIC to make a complaint and obtain information about your rights.

For more information on our complaints handling process, please contact us. There are avenues open to you if a dispute or complaint arises; however, we hope that you will raise any query or complaint with us and that it can be resolved to your satisfaction.

## **12. Privacy**

If you make an application or you are a signatory to an investment we collect and use the information and documents provided to substantiate your identity, authenticate your signature and to enable us to provide investment services to you and manage your investment. We may use your information to provide you with information and marketing material about our products and services provided by SFCB. You may ask to be removed from our mailing list at any time, for marketing purposes, by writing to our Privacy Officer at PO Box 260, BURWOOD, NSW, 1805.

We do not provide your information to any other organisation without your consent, other than to those organisations which provide administrative or other services as part of the operation of our business or as otherwise disclosed above. You may request access to information held by us about you or you may wish to update your personal or financial information by writing to the Privacy Officer at PO Box 260, BURWOOD, NSW, 1805.

If at any time you provide information about another person to us, then you must first ensure the other person has read and understood this statement and has consented to that information being used and disclosed by us as set out above.

Our Privacy Statement is available on our web site [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au)

## **13. Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act**



SFCB must meet regulatory and compliance obligations and you should be aware and agree that from time to time we may require additional information from you to assist us in the above compliance process and you must provide that information.

You agree that SFCB may disclose the information gathered to regulatory and/or law enforcement agencies or where required by law.

You declare and undertake to SFCB and indemnify SFCB against any potential losses arising from any breach by you of such undertakings. You declare that you will not initiate, engage in or effect a transaction that may be in breach of any Australian laws (or laws of any other country).

## **14. General Terms & Conditions applicable to all Debenture Products**

### **14.1 Authorised Signatories**

#### 14.1.1 General

You can authorise a person to operate your accounts. This person is your 'authorised signatory'. Your authorised signatory will be entitled to operate your accounts and sign transaction documents e.g. withdrawals, as if that person were you. Your authorised signatory is entitled to alter or close your accounts or to access related products and services.

#### 14.1.2 Appointing an Authorised Signatory

For you to appoint an authorised signatory:

- both you and the authorised signatory need to read the general and the specific terms and conditions for the relevant product or service;
- you need to complete the application form;
- both you and the authorised signatory need to read and sign the declaration on the application form;
- you need to give the completed and signed application form to us;
- you need to provide us with your authorised signatory's identification documents to satisfy our requirements; and
- you need to complete and lodge a Change of Authorised Signatories Form with us.

Your account(s) will be debited with all transactions made on your account by a person authorised to operate on your account(s). You are liable to pay for (or to repay) any credit provided on the account as a result of these transactions. Accordingly, you are responsible for all these transactions as if you had made them yourself.

#### 14.1.3 Terminating the appointment of your authorised signatory

An authority to operate will remain in place until we receive written notice of cancellation or written notice of death of the person granting the authority and that written notice has been processed by us or if instructed by court order or similar. Notice of cancellation must be signed by all surviving investors. We may require a new authority to operate before we allow further operation on the account.

If there is a dispute notified to us about an authority to operate or the owner of an account, we may refuse to allow operation of the account until all parties concerned have signed the necessary authority. We are not liable for any loss or damage caused by any delay in processing a cancellation of an authority to operate.

## **14.2 Joint Accounts**

### 14.2.1 General

If you open a joint account:-

- the credit balance of a joint account is held jointly by all investors;
- each investor has the right to all of the balance, jointly with the other investors;
- a joint investor may only make a withdrawal on the terms of any authority to operate on the account;
- if there is any dispute between joint investors, we may decide to only permit operation on the account when all parties have signed the necessary authority to operate;
- and if a joint investor dies, the remaining investor holds the credit balance and if more than one, those remaining investors hold the credit balance jointly;
- each joint investor is liable for the whole of any debit balance on the account; and
- we can legally recover from all or any investor(s) any amount owing on the account.

### 14.2.2 Operational Status of Joint Accounts

When you open your joint account, you choose the operational status for that account, ie:

- only one person is required to sign our transaction documents; or
- if there are more than two joint investors, a minimum number of persons required to sign our transaction documents; or
- all joint investors are required to sign our transaction documents.

## **14.3 Changes to your Account Details**

For any change you will need to complete the change of details form. On receipt of the completed form we will check our records and clarify the current operational status of any joint account, and amend the account(s) accordingly. A form is required for each person or business, i.e. a joint investment will require two forms if both parties have amendments to be advised.

## **14.4 Making Investments**

### 14.4.1 Methods of Lodging Funds into an Account

You may invest funds with us to accounts (other than a Funeral Savings Account or Term Investment) in these ways:

- over the counter at our Head Office in Sydney;
- by post to one of our Head Office;
- by a payment service/direct credit;
- by using a bank deposit book provided by us for lodgement through an external bank; or
- by Internet Banking transfer from an external financial institution through StewardsOnline to your account (conditions apply).

#### 14.4.1.1 Over the Counter at our Head Office in Sydney

When you visit us at our Head Office you will complete our Funds Lodgement Form or provide us with clear instructions about details of the account into which the funds are to be applied. We do not provide a receipt when the lodgement has been made at our Head Offices unless requested.

The first document you will receive from us acknowledging your investment will be the next statement we issue to you after lodgement.

#### 14.4.1.2 Post to our Head Office in Sydney

We recommend that you use the option to send us a funds lodgement by post as a last resort, where the other options are not available to you.

We are only responsible for the funds lodgement when it has been received by us. We further recommend the post option chosen by you should be one where Australia Post can confirm we have received your letter and funds lodgement. We recommend that you should check with us after putting the funds lodgement in the post to confirm that we have received and processed your investment.

You must never send cash through the post, and only send crossed cheques/money orders of small amounts in the post to us.

If you do not have one of our Funds Lodgement forms, then we will need, in addition to your cheque/money order, a letter in clear and precise terms instructing us into which account your investment is to be made. Without the Funds Lodgement form or letter, we may not be able to process your investment.

#### 14.4.1.3 Payment Service /Direct Credit

This is an arrangement with a third party, who directs money into your account with us by electronic transfer. We do not have control over that lodgement and we do not provide a receipt when the lodgement has been made by the direct credit supplier.

The first document you will receive from us acknowledging your investment will be the next statement we issue to you after lodgement. We recommend that you check your account statement to confirm the third party has made the lodgement to your account when anticipated by you. If the investment has not been made, you will need to talk to the third party.

#### 14.4.1.4 Internet Banking transfer from an External Financial Institution through StewardsOnline to your account.

We normally issue you with an electronic receipt for the transaction. We advise you that special Terms and Conditions apply to your internet account access through StewardsOnline, so we recommend you visit our website [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au) and become familiar with those Terms and Conditions and our Internet account access procedures through StewardsOnline.

### 14.5 Types of Fund Lodgements and their Availability to You

There are five ways to invest money with us:

- cash at our Sydney Office only
- cheque – Australian Cheques
- cheque – Overseas Cheques
- electronic funds (credit) transfer
- electronic funds (debit) transfer

#### 14.5.1 Cash

When you lodge cash to your account with us at our Sydney Office, those funds are available for withdrawal immediately after we have processed that investment, and applied our relevant anti-money laundering procedures and satisfied our attendant obligations.

#### 14.5.2 Cheque - Australian Cheques

Proceeds of funds invested by way of cheque, other instrument or Direct Debit are not available until cleared. Our non-cash payment facilities are issued by Stewards Foundation as described in our PDS and are set out in our FSG/PDS.

#### 14.5.3 Cheque - Overseas Cheques

Proceeds of funds invested by way of overseas cheque are not available until cleared, and are subject to the following:

- we consult our bank whether they will accept the cheque and provide a currency conversion or require
- the cheque be processed through the international banking system before currency conversion.
- if our bank accepts the cheque when presented by us, they will convert the cheque to Australian currency. We then pay that amount of Australian currency to your account however the funds are held
- subject to clearance of the cheque. If the cheque is dishonoured and there has been a variation in the currency conversion rate, you will be liable for any loss incurred by us and our bank due to that variation.
- if our bank does not accept the cheque when presented by us, they will have the cheque processed through the international banking system. When the cheque has been cleared, our bank will receive the value on the cheque, convert that value to Australian currency and we then credit your account with the amount in Australian currency.
- The minimum clearance times for overseas cheques are:
  - where the cheque is accepted by our bank, 28 days
  - where the cheque is not accepted by our bank, the time varies depending upon a number of factors, including the country of the bank the cheque is drawn on.

Refer to Part 2 – Account and Service Fees for the fees applicable to this service.

#### 14.5.4 Electronic Funds (credit) Transfer

You may invest money into your account with us by electronic means, for example through an external financial institution's internet banking system, receipt of pension, salaries, etc.

Where you have carried out an electronic funds transfer into your account, the funds from that transfer are available for withdrawal as soon as the transaction has been completed through the electronic banking system.

As we do not have control over other financial institutions, we are not able to advise you of the time it will take to complete the electronic transfer.

We recommend that you check your account after the electronic transfer to confirm the completion of the transaction and the availability of the funds from that electronic transfer for any other purpose you may have.

Electronic Funds Transfers may be made direct into a SFCB account (excluding Funeral Savings Account or Term Investments) using SFCB's electronic BSB 802 759 and your 9 digit SFCB account number.

#### 14.5.5 Electronic Funds (debit)Transfer

You may invest money into your account with us by debiting a pre-nominated account with an External Financial Institution either by StewardsOnline or by a Direct Debit agreement.

Where you have carried out a Debit transfer into your account the clearance time is normally three (3) New South Wales Business days after the date of processing by SFCB (refer 'cut-off times' in FSG/PDS for full Terms and Conditions).

### 14.6 Making Withdrawals

There are two main ways to withdraw funds from your investment:

- electronic transfer (Refer to FSG/PDS for full details on how to withdraw from your investment.)
- Direct SFCB to make a withdrawal on your behalf. You will need to email or send a letter giving Stewards the authority to process the withdrawal

#### 14.6.1 Insufficient Funds – Direct Debits

If the amount of any direct debit presented for payment exceeds the Available Balance in your Account at the time the direct debit is presented, SFCB may refuse to pay. In such event, SFCB will advise you in writing, by ordinary pre-paid post, as soon as practicable, but will incur no liability for failure to do so. Where a direct debit is refused in accordance with this condition, or in accordance with any other condition, SFCB may, in their absolute discretion, debit to your SFCB Account any costs incurred through such refusal, and any such costs shall be a debt from you to SFCB.

The "Available Balance" means the balance of the Account at any time other than:

- Funds lodged within the previous 3 Business days which include cheques and direct debit transfers;
- Funds lodged which include overseas cheques made within the previous 28 Business days;
- Fund lodgements in transit; and
- Interest accrued but not credited to the SFCB Account.

In the event that a correctly authorised and presented direct debit exceeds the Available Balance of your Account, you hereby authorise SFCB, (but it is under no obligation so to do), to transfer to that account from any other account or accounts held with SFCB by you, sufficient funds (within the Available Balance of such other account or accounts) to allow payment of the direct debit. SFCB may, in its absolute discretion, debit a fee, as determined by it from time to time and listed in Part 3, to your Account for each and every such transfer, and such fee shall be a debt from you to SFCB.

Notwithstanding this condition, SFCB shall be held harmless from any claim whatsoever from you or any other person or organisation, should SFCB fail or refuse to make such a transfer.

If SFCB for any reason and without reference to you pays a correctly authorised and presented direct debit that exceeds your Available Balance, then you shall incur a debt to SFCB for the amount by which the direct debit exceeds the Available Balance. In such circumstances, the debt shall be repayable by you immediately upon the written demand of SFCB. If you fail to repay such debt, then

you shall be required to pay all costs and expenses whatsoever incurred by SFCB in collection of that debt.

#### **14.6.2 Our Corporate Cheques**

You can also withdraw funds by the way of our corporate cheque. We make out the cheque to a third party nominated by you. We do not charge a fee for a corporate cheque. Refer to Part 2 – Account and Service Fees for fees applicable to this service.

##### **14.6.2.1 Corporate Cheque Withdrawals - Stop Payment**

It is only possible to stop payment on a corporate cheque up to the time it is presented to our banker for payment.

If you want to stop payment on a corporate cheque you need to:

- contact our Sydney Office and notify us of all the details;
- send us a written request to stop payment on the cheque, setting out all the details of the cheque; and
- provide written consent from the cheque payee where possible or provide an indemnity to SFCB.

Your telephone direction will alert us to advise our bankers but we are unable to process a stop payment to our bankers without a written direction from you.

You will be responsible to the payee for the stop payment. We will not be responsible to you if your direction arrives after our banker has paid the cheque as presented to them.

#### **14.6.3 Withdrawing from an Account**

You may withdraw money you have with us in these ways:

- by contacting or visiting our Sydney Office;
- by post to our Sydney Office;
- by facsimile direction to our Sydney Office;
- by a payment service; or
- by Internet account access transfer from your account through StewardsOnline.

To withdraw funds from your account, you need to provide to us the following:

- your account name and number;
- the amount you wish to withdraw;
- the person or company to whom the amount is to be paid; and
- your signature.

If payment is to go via Direct Credit, the Bank State Branch (BSB) number, Account Number and Name of the account the funds are to be sent to.

With a withdrawal by post where a corporate cheque has been requested, we will:

- draw a cheque; and
- send the cheque to your address as noted in our records or to an address nominated by you.

We are responsible for your withdrawal up to the posting of the cheque to the address you nominated. We recommend that you check with us after sending the withdrawal document to us to

confirm that we have received it, processed the withdrawal and sent the cheque to you. We do not send you a separate document acknowledging the withdrawal. The first document you will receive from us acknowledging your withdrawal will be the next statement we issue to you after that withdrawal.

Where the withdrawal is by Direct Credit the funds will be paid by electronic transfer into a nominated account at a financial institution approved by the Australian Payments Clearing Association (APCA).

#### 14.6.4 Contact, Post or Facsimile to our Sydney Office

You must complete a withdrawal form or provide other written advice. When you present us with the document, we will confirm that the signature on the document is your signature and meets the signing authority for the account before we process the withdrawal.

When you contact us by phone or email at our Sydney Office, you will need to quote your Phone/Email Password or alternatively send us a Secure Email through StewardsOnline. Either of these options may allow us to:

- accept instructions regarding your accounts; or
- answer your 3 identification questions to reset your password; or
- vary the standard withdrawal limit for StewardsOnline.

You should ensure that you have sufficient money in your account before you try to do an electronic transfer.

### **14.7 About your accounts** - Overdrawing, Account Statements, Payment Authority/Account Combination and Account Closure

#### 14.7.1 Overdrawing your Account

We do not agree to provide any credit in relation to your account. You agree not to overdraw your account. We may, at our discretion, honour a periodical payment, direct debit or other transaction. If your account becomes overdrawn for any reason, immediate repayment is required. We may charge you interest on the overdrawn amount as well as any reasonable legal fees we incur in obtaining the amount from you.

#### 14.7.2 Payment Authority / Account Combination

You authorise us to debit any of your SFCB accounts to meet a payment due on any SFCB account whether the payments is owed to SFCB or another party. We will make every effort to complete payments for you but we have no obligation to do so.

Investment accounts should not be overdrawn unless you have made prior arrangements with us. If you overdraw your account without arrangement or beyond the agreed overdraft limit when formal overdraft arrangements do exist, we may automatically combine your accounts: that is, transfer sufficient money which is kept in any other account with us, held in your name(s), to clear the debt. We may also transfer money kept in your investment account(s) to clear debts which you owe us in other accounts. If we do this, the balance of the account from which we have transferred the money will reduce by the amount used for this purpose. You agree that you may not set off any amounts we owe you (for example, credit balances in your other accounts) against amounts you owe us.

If we exercise our right to combine accounts, we will notify you promptly in writing at the address shown in our records.

If you have any questions about payment authorities or combining accounts, call us at our Sydney Office.

#### 14.7.3 Account Closure

You are entitled at any time to close your account/s with us. We may close any of your at Call accounts even though the account may have a credit balance. We will give you reasonable notice before doing so and will repay any credit balance.

#### 14.7.4 General

If you wish to close an account, then you will need to:

- contact or write to us at our Sydney Office.

If you are closing an account, provide us with sufficient funds to bring the account to zero if that account is overdrawn. We will then process your request.

#### 14.7.5 Statements of Account

Statements for SFCB accounts will be forwarded at the end of each quarter (March, June, Sept, December).

Your statement will include the following information:

- your account number;
- account name;
- Start and end date of statement;
- all transactions on your account including non-value transactions;
- the opening and closing balances for your account (the balances at the start and end of the statement period), and all the changes to the balances in your account between the opening and closing balances, which record the impact of the debit and credit transactions on your account; and
- Interest paid or credited each quarter. (Your June Statement will include interest earned for the Financial Year.)

You should always check your statements when you receive them from us to:

- confirm the opening balances on your account are the same as the closing balances on your last statement; and
- check all the transactions on your account are correct.

If you do not agree with any details on a statement, you need to contact us immediately.

If you are a joint investor, we will only send one statement of account addressed to the first applicant on the application form unless otherwise advised. A statement of account will be provided to any other joint investor/s on request without charge.

If your statement is returned to us as “returned mail” we reserve the right to not forward statements to you until a new address is provided.

If you feel we have missed sending you a statement or you need a copy of a statement we have already sent you, then contact us.



#### 14.8 Special Circumstances – Death or Family Law Settlement

In the event of a death or family law settlement, accounts need to be closed and money in those accounts transferred to new accounts. You will need to:

- Notify us in writing and provide us with appropriate documents ie, Death Certificate, Grant of Probate,

Family Law Agreement or Orders, to confirm your position to deal with an account; and

- Provide us with written instructions on what we are to do with the money held in the account to be closed.

On receipt of your documents, we will:

- ☐ close the account;
- ☐ where necessary, open a new account; and
- ☐ transfer the money from the closed account to the new account, or if no new account is to be opened provide you with a cheque or online credit in favour of the party directed by you.

In the event of the death of a client investor, SFCB will repay the investment with accrued interest to the legal personal representative of the investment holder, subject to completion of legal formalities to the satisfaction of SFCB and/or SFCB's legal advisers.

In the case of a jointly held account, the investment with accrued interest will be transferred to the remaining joint investor/s.

There is no Early Redemption Fee or interest adjustment in the event of death of an investor or a Family Law Settlement.

#### 14.9 Interest Calculation

Interest calculation for all debenture products is based upon the actual number of days in the interest period in respect of which payment is being made divided by:

(i) 365; or

(ii) if any portion of that interest period falls within a leap year, the sum of:

(A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest period falling in a leap year divided by 366; and

(B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest period falling in a year other than a leap year divided by 365.

#### 14.10 Changes

##### 14.10.1 Changes to these Terms and Conditions

We reserve the right to vary our accounts and account products. We will notify you if such changes are effected, and direct you to a revised Product Disclosure Statement which will be made available via the SFCB website [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au).

##### 14.10.2 Changes to your account details

You can change your account details and instructions with us. If you have a change in any of your details, i.e., change of address, change of name, removal of authorised signatories etc, then you need to notify us immediately the change occurs.

If you require us to change the name of your Account, we will need to verify your changed identity by sighting an original of one of the following:

- A marriage certificate;
- A divorce certificate;
- The relevant deed poll and evidence of its registration;
- Change of Registration of an incorporated entity or Registered Business name; or
- In respect of a trustee, any relevant document appointing a new trustee, terminating an existing trustee or terminating or winding up the trust or changing the trust's name.

If we become aware of any changes to your Account details, we can take reasonable steps to amend our records without notice to you.

We and you can exercise respective rights at any time within the limits of the law. If either we or you delay in exercising our respective rights, this does not mean that either we or you we give up those rights.

If you do not tell us your changes, we will continue to handle your accounts with us on the basis of the details and instructions we hold and:

- We will send all our mail to you, including statements, notices, brochures to the last known name and address in our records. However, if mail is returned, we will hold the statements at our Sydney office.
- We will allow your accounts to be operated by those persons who are on our records as authorised signatories.
- We will comply with all payment service instructions (including periodic payments, direct debits and direct transfers) we have from you.
- We are unable to change any of your details or instructions without you first notifying us of the changes. It is very important to notify us immediately of changes in your details and instructions. With respect to changes to authorised signatories, we refer you to the terms and conditions on authorised signatories at the beginning of the general terms applicable to our debenture products.

SFCB may engage the services of third parties to assist in the administration of your accounts.

#### **14.11 Funds transferred in error**

Where funds have been transferred to your Account by someone else by mistake, you agree that:

- If you detect an error or believe a transaction was not authorised by you or that an amount has been credited to your Account that you may not be entitled to, to notify us as soon as you become aware of the transaction; and
- We may in our sole and absolute discretion disclose to the payer, the name and number of your Account where your Account has been incorrectly credited. You consent to us providing this information to the payer;
- In the event of a dispute we may pay the funds to a court pending resolution of the dispute; and

- We may in our absolute discretion on forming a reasonable opinion that your Account has been incorrectly credited, freeze that amount in your Account, or deduct the amount of those monies from your Account.
- Where monies have been transferred by you to another account in error or by mistake you are solely responsible in relation to correcting that error and any loss suffered. In these circumstances we will endeavour to retrieve the funds on your behalf.
- We are not responsible for any loss you may suffer due to errors, inaccuracies or omissions in relation to authorised but mistaken instructions given to us for the operation of your Account.
- We will comply with the requirements of any law, code or scheme applying to any disputed transaction.

#### **14.12 Closing Account**

We can close your account immediately without telling you first if:

- You breach these terms and conditions and that breach is of a serious nature;
- We are required to by law;
- You have given us false or misleading information; or
- You act in a manner that in our reasonable opinion threatens the security of our staff, property or any other person.

Under other circumstances, we will give you reasonable notice if we intend to close your account.

If your account is closed, you agree to:

- Follow our rules for closing accounts;
- Complete any forms or indemnities we reasonably require (as is appropriate);
- Repay any reasonable cost we have incurred in closing your account;
- Meet any responsibilities you had under these terms and conditions and particular conditions before your account was closed;

When your account is closed, any credit balance and any accrued interest will be paid to you. If there are any outstanding fees, charges or other amounts owing to us, we will, to the extent permissible by law, deduct these first.

### **15. Terms and Conditions of Debenture Products offered by SFCB**

At Call Accounts General Terms & Conditions

- There is no minimum investment amount for at Call accounts.
- No transaction or account keeping fees apply to this account.

Interest is calculated on the balance in the account as at the close of business (Sydney, NSW time) each designated Business day and is paid on the last day of each month and when an account is closed.

#### **15.1 Terms & Conditions - Savings Accounts at Call**

Funds may be invested into an account at any time. Invested funds may be withdrawn at any time except for those funds which are the proceeds of any cheques and other instruments which have not yet been cleared.

The investor must specify on the Application Form whether the interest is paid into a Nominated Account or is added to the balance. If the Application Form is silent on this matter interest will be added to the balance.

Interest is calculated at the rate of interest determined from time to time or interest free where nominated in writing by the client. The rate of interest may be varied by SFCB from time to time without prior notice.

#### 15.2 Terms and Conditions - Progressive Online Saver Accounts at Call

You must maintain an existing Savings at Call account with SFCB with at least one of these accounts being accessible by you through StewardsOnline to be eligible to open a Progressive Online Saver Account at Call.

The Progressive Online Saver Account at Call balance is held on an 'at Call' basis and withdrawals can only be transferred to another SFCB account through StewardsOnline at any time.

Withdrawals are not available from Progressive Online Saver Accounts for transfer to an external financial institution.

Interest is calculated at the rate of interest determined from time to time or interest free where nominated in writing by the client. The rate of interest may be varied by SFCB from time to time without prior notice.

Progressive Online Saver Accounts at Call are available for personal investors only.

#### 15.3 Terms and Conditions – Business Savings Online Accounts at Call

Business Savings Online Accounts at Call are available for business investors only.

You must maintain an existing Savings at Call or account with SFCB with at least one of these accounts being accessible by you through StewardsOnline to be eligible to open a Business Savings Online Account at Call.

The Business Savings Online Account at Call balance is held on an 'at Call' basis and withdrawals can only be transferred to another SFCB account through StewardsOnline at any time.

Interest is calculated at the rate of interest determined from time to time or interest free where nominated in writing by the client. The rate of interest may be varied by SFCB from time to time without prior notice.

#### 15.4 Terms and Conditions – Ministry Fund Savings Accounts at Call

You must maintain an existing Savings at Call account with SFCB with at least one of these accounts being accessible by you through StewardsOnline to be eligible to open a Ministry Fund Savings Account at Call.

The Ministry Fund Savings Account at Call balance is held on an 'at Call' basis and withdrawals can only be transferred to another SFCB account through StewardsOnline at any time.

Withdrawals are not available from Ministry Fund Savings Account for transfer to an external financial institution.

Interest is calculated at the rate of interest determined from time to time or interest free where nominated in writing by the client. The rate of interest may be varied by SFCB from time to time without prior notice.

Ministry Fund Savings Account at Call are available for personal investors only.

#### 15.5 Terms and Conditions – Funeral Savings Accounts

Funeral Savings Accounts are investment accounts to assist in meeting the costs of the investor's funeral expenses at a time of grief for those bereaved.

A maximum of 2 Funeral Savings Accounts can be opened in the name of one individual investor only. A Funeral Savings Account cannot be opened in joint names, the name of a partnership or a business name.

Investments to a Funeral Savings Account may be made in either of the following ways:

- Cheque sent to our Sydney Office; or
- Transfer from another SFCB account.

The accounts are not prepaid funeral accounts.

Funeral Savings Accounts cannot be closed until all the funds in the accounts have either been withdrawn to finance the investor's funeral or have been released to the estate of the investor after costs relating to the funeral of the investor have been paid. Requests for the withdrawal of funds prior to the death of the investor will be declined as required by Government regulations.

Investments to the Funeral Savings Accounts cannot be withdrawn at any time during the life of the investor. Investments up to the maximum amount made into no more than 2 eligible Funeral Savings Accounts will be 'Exempt Funeral Investments' as determined by Centrelink.

Funds may be lodged into a Funeral Savings Account to a maximum contribution as may be determined following annual indexation of this amount by the Federal Government (Centrelink). The balance of such account may only exceed this amount where the excess is caused by accumulation of interest. Additional funds exceeding the limit will be returned to the investor.

Investments by periodical payment or by direct debit from any account in set defined periods into a Funeral Savings Account are not permitted. After the account/s is opened, investments may only be made on an ad hoc basis, at varying times.

Interest is calculated at the rate of interest determined from time to time or interest free where nominated in writing by the client. The rate of interest may be varied by SFCB from time to time without prior notice.

On the death of the investor, the account balance (together with interest earned) forms part of the investor's Estate. Funds in the account/ will be applied to pay costs relating to the funeral of the investor before any remaining balance/s can be withdrawn payable to the Estate.

The following documents must be presented to SFCB before any withdrawal of funds can be made:

- either the original or a certified copy of the Medical Certificate of Cause of Death of the investor or,
- the original or a certified copy of the Death Certificate of the investor; and

- the original or certified copies of invoices relating to the funeral of the investor and/or proof of payment of such invoices.

Payment of funds from the investor's account/s will be made by cheque and either posted or made available for collection.

### **15.6 Terms and Conditions - Term Investments**

There is no minimum investment amount for a Term Investment.

The invested funds are lodged for a fixed term from 3 to 36 months, or such other terms that may be offered by us from time to time, as nominated by the investor, commencing from the date of investment.

Invested funds are not available for withdrawal during the period of the fixed term.

Clients will be paid interest on investments lodged for less than one year on maturity or such frequency that may be offered by us from time to time. All other clients can elect to be paid interest every month, every three months, every six months, every 12 months or on maturity or such frequency that may be offered by us from time to time.

Interest is calculated from the date of lodgement until maturity at the rate applicable at the date of investment of the principal or from the date of any subsequent renewal of the term investment.

The investor must nominate on the Application Form whether the interest is to be paid into a nominated account or is to be added to the balance. Once nominated, this decision is irrevocable. In the absence of investor instructions or nomination, interest will be added to the balance.

If the due date for the payment of interest is not a Business day in NSW, the payment will be made on the next Business day immediately following the due date for payment.

The rate of interest applicable to new Term Investments may be varied by SFCB from time to time without notice. A notice will be sent to the investor prior to maturity of the term.

At the completion of the fixed term, if notice of reinvestment or withdrawal has not been received by SFCB from the investor the investment will be automatically renewed for the same term with the interest arrangements at the rate of interest applying on the date of renewal.

Should the investor wish to add to their Term Investment at maturity the reinvestment notice may be returned with an additional amount to be invested or instructions to add funds from another account for lodgement on the nominated fixed term with the maturing investment, such instructions or request to be received by SFCB no later than 10 calendar days immediately following the maturity date. Any additional funds will receive interest from the date of renewal or the date of receipt of the additional funds, whichever is the later.

Reinvestment is not available if, at the time the fixed term expires, SFCB is not offering a term investment for that term. SFCB undertakes to notify you of terms available when the reinvestment notice is sent to you.

No additional investments can be made to a Term Investment account during the fixed term of the investment except where the investor has elected to credit interest payable on the Term Investment to the same Term Investment account.

Notwithstanding the contract between SFCB and the investor for payment of a fixed interest rate on funds lodged for a fixed term, SFCB may consider requests for early redemption.

Term Investments held by SFCB for 3 months or more:

If, in its sole discretion, SFCB allows an early redemption, withdrawn funds may receive interest at 2.00% p.a. below the rate applying to the Term Investment and calculated for the period since lodgement or subsequent renewal, whichever is the later, on the amount being redeemed.

An Early Redemption Fee may apply to each early redemption allowed by SFCB and is listed in the Account and Service Fees detailed in Part 2 of this PDS.

Where an over-payment of interest has occurred to the investor in a case of early withdrawal, the difference will be deducted from the amount withdrawn.

Term Investments held by SFCB for less than 3 months:

If, in its sole discretion, SFCB allows an early redemption, withdrawn funds may receive interest at the lower of:

- 2.00% p.a. below the rate applying to the Term Investment; or
- the interest rate applicable to a Savings at Call account applying at the date of lodgement or renewal of the investment; calculated for the whole period since lodgement or subsequent renewal, whichever is the later, on the amount being redeemed.

An Early Redemption Fee may apply to each early redemption allowed by SFCB and is listed in Account and Service Fees detailed in Part 2 of this PDS.

The early redemption interest rate variations and the Early Redemption Fee are subject to change at any time, with notification of any changes through a revised Product Disclosure Statement being made available via the SFCB website [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au).

No Early Redemption Fee or adjustment of interest will apply in the event of a request made for early redemption following the death of an investor.

SFCB will repay a term investment by electronic or other transfer no later than the date of maturity; or, if the date of maturity is not a NSW Business day, then the next Business day following the date of maturity; or the next Business day following approval by SFCB of a request if withdrawal is made prior to the maturity date.

The payment of interest and/or the repayment of all or part of a Term Investment is only available by:

- Electronic transfer into a nominated account of a financial institution approved by APCA; OR
- Transfer to another SFCB investment.

## **16 General Disclosures**

SFCB offers debentures. No offering is made of anything other than debentures.

Our debenture products cater for persons who wish to promote the charitable purposes, and support the work of the SFCB, and for whom profit considerations are not of primary relevance in their decision to invest. Money invested with SFCB in the products offered herein is invested in a manner consistent

with Christian ethics and principles. Surpluses generated are distributed to support a range of SFCB projects and to promote the interests of the Christian Community Churches in Australia.

Any investors should be aware that SFCB is not subject to the normal requirement to have a disclosure statement or (even though SFCB has issued one) Product Disclosure Statement or be registered or have a trust deed under the Corporations Act. SFCB and the debentures it issues have not been examined or approved by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission and any statement in the FSG/PDS to the contrary is incorrect. The investments offered by SFCB are designed for investors who wish to promote the charitable purposes of the Christian Community Churches in Australia.

Pursuant to s912B of the Corporations Act (and Corporations Regulation 7.6.02AAA), SFCB maintains adequate professional indemnity insurance to cover the financial services it provides. This cover is in accordance with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission's requirements. Further information is available upon request.

SFCB will seek to ensure that comprehensive and accurate records of all client transactions and advice / information provided, are properly maintained. We will:

- prepare financial reports in accordance with the Australian accounting standards applicable to the relevant reporting entity;
- arrange for a registered company auditor to prepare an audit report on the financial report within six months of the end of our financial year;
- publish the financial report on the internet, accessible by a link from where our identification statement is; and
- lodge the audited financial report with the Australian Charities and Non-for-profits Commission or the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (so far as is relevant).

We will also comply with:

- s 1017E of the Corporations Act, regarding the holding of funds in a separate account pending the issue to you of the debenture interest; and
- s 1017F of the Corporations Act, regarding our obligation to confirm all transactions when a retail client acquires or disposes of a financial product or we vary the terms of such a product.

## **PART 2**

### **16. Account and Service Fees Schedule**

Please refer to the separate Account and Service Fees Schedule for our current Fees. The Account and Fees Schedule forms part of this PDS. Please contact us for a copy of the relevant schedule or download the schedule from our website [www.SFCB.org.au](http://www.SFCB.org.au).

## **PART 3**

### **17. Interest Rate Schedule**

Please refer to the separate Interest Rate Schedule for our current Interest Rates. The Interest Rate Schedule forms part of this PDS. Please contact us for a copy of the relevant schedule or download the schedule from our website [www.stewardsfoundation.com.au](http://www.stewardsfoundation.com.au).