# Martin Aitken Financial Services Ltd Risk Profile Questionnaire 

## for individuals

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## How would you rate your investment knowledge?

[. Minimal - I consider my know ledge to be fairly limited
Modest - l've been investing for a few years and I sometimes read the business press
L. Moderate - l've been investing for several years within a broad range of different assets

G Good - I've been investing for quite a w hile \& lived through at least one market dow nturn
Very good - I'm an experienced investor \& am comfortable with the market ups \& dow ns

## 1 Personal details

Title
$\square$
Mr
Mrs
Miss
Other please specify

Surname

Full forename(s)


## 2 Risk profile questions

2. When do you need this money, or how long do you want to hold this investment?
$\square$ Enter a number of years from 3 to 30 . This time period is very important in the risk assessment process
3. Do you have an emergency fund to provide for unexpected expenses, to avoid needing to draw on medium- to long-term savings to meet immediate needs? (You should allow the equivalent of at least three months net income for emergencies.) Please tick ( )
( No
C Yes - but less than three months' salary
Less than six months' salary
A Around one year's salary

- More than two years' salary

4. What is your expectation of your future earnings over the next five years? Please tick()

- I expect my earnings to decrease

I expect my earnings to keep pace with inflation
I expect my earnings to increase somewhat ahead of inflation
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I expect my earnings to far outstrip inflation
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I expect my earnings to fluctuate
5. What percentage of your total assets, (excluding your home) are you proposing to invest now? Please tick()

Less than $25 \%$

- $25 \%$ to less than $50 \%$
- $50 \%$ to less than $75 \%$
- $75 \%$ or more

6. Which statement most closely reflects your current financial situation? Please tick()

- I am completely debt free
( I have no mortgage but have a few other obligations like credit card payments
( I have a mortgage but no other debts that concern me
- I have a mortgage and some short-term obligations
- I have a lot of long-term obligations

7. Which statement best describes your objectives for this investment? Please tick ()

Stability is more important than higher returns
I want to achieve higher long-term returns than cash. I could cope with infrequent periods where my investments might fall in value I Iwant to achieve higher medium-term returns than inflation. I understand there may be occasional extended periods where my investments might fall in value
(1) I want the best long-term returns I can get. I fully expect periods where the value of my investments might suffer extended falls
8. At the beginning of the year you have $£ 100,000$ invested. The chart and options below show the performance of four possible investments. Each bar gives a range of possible values at the end of the same year. Which investment would you prefer? Please tick()
Potential best and worst case end values


This chart is for illustrative purposes only and does not reflect the performance of a specific index or fund.Portfolio A: It could be worth anywhere between $£ 93,000$ and $£ 113,000$
Portfolio B: It could be worth anywhere between $£ 85,000$ and $£ 125,000$
Portfolio C: It could be worth anywhere between $£ 77,000$ and $£ 137,000$
Portfolio D: It could be worth anywhere between $£ 69,000$ and $£ 149,000$

## 2 Risk profile questions (continued)

9. What level of fall in the value of this portfolio over a one-year period would concern you, bearing in mind that investment in shares requires a long-term view? Please tick( )
More than $5 \%$
More than $10 \%$
More than $15 \%$
More than 20\%
( I am not concerned about falls in value as I expect to recover any falls by the time I need to sell my portfolio
10. Suppose one year ago you invested $£ 100,000$ in a portfolio. Today you've checked its value and find it is now worth $£ 87,000$. How would you feel?: Please tick()

Panic - l'd want my adviser to sell, and invest the proceeds in Cash
Nervous - I'd want my adviser to sell part of the portfolio, and invest the proceeds in a less volatile investment
( Patient - l'd sit tight, expecting the portfolio to recover

- Positive - If I had any more money I'd invest it in the same portfolio

11. You are more concerned that your investments grow faster than inflation, than you are about returns over any one-year period. Please tick()

Strongly agree
Agree
Disagree
() Strongly disagree
12. If you could increase your chances of improving your returns by taking more risk, would you be: Please tick ()

Willing to take more risk with all of the money?
Willing to take more risk with half of the money?
Willing to take more risk with a quarter of the money?
Unlikely to take much more risk?

## 3 Your investment objectives

How much do you wish to invest? Enter amount in pounds sterling $\square$
(a) If you are investing for growth (eg optimised portfolio)

Is there a target amount you wish to achieve? If so, what is it? Enter amount in pounds sterling $\square$ In deciding upon your target, please allow for the effects of inflation, investment risk and your tax position

When do you need this money, or how long do you want to hold this investment? Enter a number of years from 3 to 30

(b) If you are investing for income (eg yield portfolio)

What is your expected tax rate? Please tick
( ) Basic
( ) Higher
What annual yield do you require (after allowing for the specified tax rate)?

Investors should assess the acceptable inflation and investment risk of not meeting a given target (after allowing for personal tax), particularly for periods under 10 years for volatile investments.

## What is your capacity for risk?

The following questions are not part of the psychometric attitude assessment and have no direct impact on the questionnaire results or selected risk level.

However, the answers will help the investor and adviser identify areas that should also be considered when assessing suitability and choosing a risk level.

When do you intend to use the invested money?Short term (0-5 years)Medium term (5-10 years)
Long term (10 + years)No fixed term

How much of this investment could you stand to lose without having a significant impact on your future standard of living?None or very limited losses ( $0-5 \%$ )Small/medium losses could be toleratedLarge losses would have a low impact on future lifestyle

If you needed sudden access to a lump sum, how likely is it that you would need to encash this investment?I have other savings and investments, which I can use for most needs
I may need this investment if I needed access to a significant amount of money quickly
I would almost certainly need access to this investment

## 4 Signature

Your financial adviser will input your answers on the Skandia Online Risk Profiler, which will compute a suggested risk score and asset allocation. The risk score gives an indication of the level of risk you may be prepared to take with this investment on a range from 1 (low risk) to 10 (high risk).

As mentioned earlier, the risk score is only a guide, and you can decide, with the help of your financial adviser, to invest more conservatively or more aggressively.

We do not provide advice on selecting investments. Investors should consult their financial adviser on the merits of any particular investment. Signature Date questionnaire completed
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