

Target Market Determination

For the Rural Bank ONE Business Term Deposit

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Product

This target market determination (TMD) applies to the Rural Bank ONE Business Term Deposit.

Issuer

Rural Bank – A division of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited ABN 11 068 049 178 AFSL / Australian Credit License 237879 (Rural Bank).

Date from which this target market determination is effective

5 October 2023.

1. Target market

The retail clients for whom this product has been designed are businesses who:

- want a fully digital deposit account;
- want a low-risk cash investment;
- want to invest \$500 or more by depositing that amount into the account for a specified term (usually between 3 and 12 months) at a fixed interest rate; and
- generally do not require access to their investment before the end of the specified term and, if early withdrawal is required, can provide 31 days' notice.

Product Description

A Rural Bank ONE Business Term Deposit Account is a fully digital term deposit account that allows a retail client to deposit \$500 or more into it for a specified term (usually between 3 and 12 months) with interest payable on the deposited funds at an agreed rate at the end of the specified term. Funds can be reinvested or withdrawn at the end of the specified term. Deposited funds can also be withdrawn before the end of the specified term (however, they may not be available for up to 31 days and the amount of interest earned on the account may be reduced).

Product key attributes

The key attributes of this product that make it likely to be consistent with the target market described above, include:

| Attribute | Appropriate for |
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| Eligibility | This product is available to businesses and must be held in the name of a registered business. This product is not available to associations, cooperatives, government bodies, foreign or public companies or self-managed super funds. |
| Fully digital term deposit account | Retail clients who want a fully digital term deposit account that can only be accessed through Rural Bank Internet Banking. This product may not be suitable for retail clients who want branch or face-to-face support. |
| Earn interest at a fixed interest rate | Retail clients who want a low-risk investment product with a fixed rate of return. The rate varies depending on the length of the specified term. |
| Accrued interest paid at end of specified term | Retail clients who want accrued interest to be paid at the end of the specified term. Accrued interest can be added to the deposited funds or paid to the retail client. |



| Attribute | Appropriate for |
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| Early withdrawal of funds before end of specified term | Retail clients can withdraw funds from their account early by providing up to 31 days' notice. The amount of interest earned on the account may be reduced. |
| Reinvestment or withdrawal of funds at end of specified term | Retail clients can reinvest the deposited funds (or a portion of them) at the end of the specified term for a new term or have them paid to a nominated account. |
| Minimum deposit amount of \$500 | Retail clients who have \$500 or more to invest for the specified term. |

2. How this product is to be distributed

Rural Bank applies certain conditions and restrictions to the distribution of this product so that distribution is likely to be to retail clients within the target market for this product. The conditions and restrictions are:

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| Channel | <p>This product is to be distributed only through the following channels:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural Bank website; • Bendigo Bank and Community Bank branches; and • Elders stores. |
| Additional conditions or restrictions | <p>The following additional conditions and restrictions also apply to the distribution of this product:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only prospective retail clients who meet Rural Bank's minimum eligibility criteria for the product should submit an application for this product; • This product can only be issued to retail clients after applying Rural Bank's application processes; • This product can only be issued (or arranged to be issued) by persons who are trained and accredited; and • This product cannot be issued through third party distribution channels (other than Community Bank branches and Elders stores). |

3. Reviewing this target market determination

Rural Bank will review this TMD as set out below:

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| Initial review | Within the first year of the effective date. |
| Periodic reviews | At least every 18 months from the initial review. |
| Review triggers or events | <p>Any event or circumstances arising that would reasonably suggest the TMD is no longer appropriate. This may include (but is not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a material change to the design or distribution of the product, including related documentation; • occurrence of a significant dealing; • distribution conditions found to be inadequate in ensuring that the product is issued to retail clients likely to be in the target market; • relevant changes in the law or its application, a change in an industry code or decision of a court or other body (including through regulatory guidance) that materially affects the product; • significant changes in metrics, including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a material increase in the number of complaints in relation to a product or aspect of a product; ○ an increase in early termination of the product; ○ an increase in early withdrawals (partial or full) from the product; and ○ any other event that occurs or information is received that reasonably suggests this TMD is no longer appropriate. |

4. Reporting and monitoring this target market determination

Rural Bank's third-party distributors who are regulated persons will need to collect, keep and report the following information to Rural Bank:

| Type | Description of information | Frequency of reporting |
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| Complaints | <p>Customer complaints made in relation to this product. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • written details of the complaint; and • the number of complaints during the reporting period. | <p>Reporting period: Monthly</p> <p>When does this regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the end of the reporting period.</p> |
| Sales data | Sales and customer data in relation to this product as requested by Rural Bank. | <p>Reporting period: Monthly</p> <p>When does this regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the end of the reporting period.</p> |
| Significant dealings | <p>The following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • details of the significant dealing; • the date (or range) on which the significant dealing occurred; • why the distributor considers the dealing to be significant (including why it is inconsistent with this TMD); and • how the dealing was identified. | <p>When does this regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the distributor becoming aware of the dealing.</p> |