



NEWSLETTER

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FACTORS TO THINK ABOUT WHEN CONSIDERING RISK BENEFITS

As a member of the Fund you need to make sure that the amount of cover for death and disability provided through the Fund is right for you and your family. If you feel it may not be adequate, you may want to buy additional cover outside the Fund. Please consult an accredited financial adviser to assist you with a risk analysis and liquidity needs assessment.

The factors you need to consider include:

Financial Situation – How much cover would your family need if you were to die or become disabled? How much do they need to survive – monthly bills, education and necessities? Many members underestimate the liquidity needed to continue with normal life. Remember that policies outside the Fund will pay out immediately, whereas the payout from the Fund is subject to the 37C procedure that may take some time to complete. A person with a large amount of debt may need additional cover to protect their dependants from being left with nothing, whereas a person with additional policies (outside the Fund) may have enough cover to already protect their family.

Dependents – How many dependents do you have and when will they become self-sufficient? A person with young children will need additional cover to provide for the child up until 21, whereas a person with grown-up children will need lower cover.

Life Stage – What stage of life are you in? Young, single, married, close to retirement? A young single person may need less cover, compared to a newly married person with a young family.

The Funds' Group Life Policy is available on the Funds' website under 'Fund Information, Risk Policy'. It is recommended that you read this very important document.

All policies contain certain conditions and restrictions and a few are highlighted here:

- All claims must be submitted to Old Mutual within 52 weeks of the members' death, failing which the right to claim will lapse; however, a claim should be advised as soon as possible.
- If a member dies within 6 months of becoming an insured person and was not "actively at work" on the first working day after becoming insured the claim will be declined.



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- If the member is on sick leave or any other type of authorised absence .e.g. sabbatical for longer than a year, then the insurer must be notified in order to confirm cover.
- The claim will be declined if the member's death is attributed to:
 - active participation in war, civil war or revolt which assumes the proportion of wide-scale uprising;
 - the use of nuclear, biological or chemical weapons, or any radioactive contamination arising from them, or
 - any attack or sabotage of facilities or storage depots, that lead to the release of radioactive or nuclear, biological or chemical warfare agents.

If the member leaves the Republic of South Africa he/she will remain insured up to 90 days while in any other country. If you plan to be out of the country for more than 90 days, please advise the insurer.

In the event the member travels to countries outside Australia; Botswana; Canada; France; Germany; Ireland; Italy; Lesotho; Mozambique; Namibia; Netherlands; New Zealand; Poland; Portugal; Spain; Swaziland; Switzerland; United Kingdom; United States of America, the member will need to inform the insurer of the travel and duration of travel, in order to confirm cover. All insurer confirmation or notification can done by sending an email to isasa@oldmutual.com or call 0860 455 455.