

# Product Reference Guide

for Financial Institutions

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## FIXED ANNUITIES

	American Freedom Classic 3	American Freedom Classic 5	American Freedom Classic 7
Issue ages	0-90 (qualified) 0-90 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)	0-89 (qualified) 0-89 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)	0-88 (qualified) 0-88 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)
Tax qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 403(b) (Traditional &amp; Roth)</li> <li>• 457(b)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IRA (Traditional, Roth, SEP, SIMPLE, Inherited)</li> <li>• Non-qualified</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inherited non-qualified</li> </ul>
Purchase payments	<b>Minimum: \$25,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$2,000 accepted in first 60 days of contract	<b>Minimum: \$25,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$2,000 accepted in first 60 days of contract	<b>Minimum: \$25,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$2,000 accepted in first 60 days of contract
Early withdrawal charges	3-year declining starting at 8%	5-year declining starting at 8%	7-year declining starting at 8%
Market value adjustment	Yes	Yes	Yes
Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offers an initial three-year term</li> <li>• The initial interest rate for each purchase payment is guaranteed until the third contract anniversary</li> <li>• 10% penalty-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• GMSV: 87.5% of purchase payments minus all prior withdrawals plus interest credited at a GMSV rate</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offers an initial five-year term</li> <li>• The initial interest rate for each purchase payment is guaranteed until the fifth contract anniversary</li> <li>• 10% penalty-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• GMSV: 87.5% of purchase payments minus all prior withdrawals plus interest credited at a GMSV rate</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offers an initial seven-year term</li> <li>• The initial interest rate for each purchase payment is guaranteed until the seventh contract anniversary</li> <li>• 10% penalty-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• GMSV: 87.5% of purchase payments minus all prior withdrawals plus interest credited at a GMSV rate</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> </ul>

## FIXED-INDEXED ANNUITIES

	<b>AssuranceSelect 3 Plus</b>	<b>AssuranceSelect 5 Plus</b>	<b>AssuranceSelect 7 Plus</b>
<b>Issue ages</b>	0-90 (qualified) 0-90 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)	0-89 (qualified) 0-89 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)	0-85 (qualified) 0-85 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)
<b>Tax qualifications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 403(b) (Traditional &amp; Roth)</li> <li>• 457(b)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IRA (Traditional, Roth, SEP, SIMPLE, Inherited)</li> <li>• Non-qualified</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inherited non-qualified</li> </ul>
<b>Purchase payments</b>	<b>Minimum: \$50,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$2,000 accepted in first two months of contract	<b>Minimum: \$10,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$2,000 accepted in first year of contract	<b>Minimum: \$10,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$2,000 accepted in first 10 contract years
<b>Early withdrawal charges</b>	3-year declining starting at 8%	5-year declining starting at 8%	7-year declining starting at 8%
<b>Market value adjustment</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Features</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indexed strategies: Point-to-point with cap, participation rate, performance trigger rate or participation rate lock</li> <li>• GMSV: 87.5% of purchase payments plus interest credited at a GMSV rate</li> <li>• 10% penalty-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indexed strategies: Point-to-point with cap, participation rate, performance trigger rate or cap lock</li> <li>• GMSV: 87.5% of purchase payments plus interest credited at a GMSV rate</li> <li>• 10% penalty-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> <li>• Optional rider: Legacy Ascender</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indexed strategies: Point-to-point with cap, participation rate, performance trigger rate or cap lock</li> <li>• GMSV: 87.5% of purchase payments plus interest credited at a GMSV rate</li> <li>• 10% penalty-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> <li>• Optional riders: Income Ascender; Legacy Ascender</li> </ul>

## FIXED-INDEXED ANNUITY RIDERS

	Income Ascender	Legacy Ascender
Issue ages	40-85 (qualified and non-qualified); Income payments may begin at age 55	50-85 (qualified and non-qualified)
Current rider charge	See Income Ascender brochure for current rider charge, which is based off the income base and deducted from the account value.	See Legacy Ascender brochure for current rider charge, which is based off the benefit base and deducted from the account value.
Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guaranteed income rider</li> <li>• Competitive payout percentages</li> <li>• Income payments may be taken at any time, if client is age 55 or older</li> <li>• Resets available at first anniversary or any rider anniversary or monthiversary<sup>1</sup> thereafter</li> <li>• Refund of rider charges at death if income payments have not started (and no spousal continuation)</li> <li>• Available income options: single lifetime income and joint lifetime income</li> <li>• Available with AssuranceSelect 7 Plus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guaranteed death benefit rider</li> <li>• Available benefit options for owners and beneficiaries: lump sum payment or series of payments</li> <li>• Resets available at first anniversary or any rider anniversary or monthiversary<sup>1</sup> thereafter</li> <li>• No waiting period</li> <li>• Available with AssuranceSelect 5 Plus and 7 Plus</li> </ul>

## REGISTERED INDEX-LINKED ANNUITIES

	Index Summit 6	Index Summit 6 Pro
Issue ages	0-80 (qualified) 0-80 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)	0-80 (qualified) 0-80 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)
Tax qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 403(b) (Traditional &amp; Roth)</li> <li>• 457(b)</li> <li>• 401(a)</li> <li>• IRA (Traditional, Roth, SEP, SIMPLE, Inherited)</li> <li>• Non-qualified</li> <li>• Inherited non-qualified</li> </ul>	
Purchase payments	<b>Minimum: \$25,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$10,000 accepted in first two months of contract	<b>Minimum: \$25,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$10,000 accepted in first two months of contract
Early withdrawal charges	6-year declining starting at 8%	6-year declining starting at 9%
Fees	No explicit fees	A fee is deducted from each strategy on a daily basis and compounds to an effective annual rate of 0.95%

## REGISTERED INDEX-LINKED ANNUITIES (CONTINUED)

	Index Summit 6	Index Summit 6 Pro
Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Declared rate strategy</li> <li>• Indexed strategies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1-Year 50% Downside Participation Rate with Cap</li> <li>• 1-Year 50% Downside Participation Rate with Upside Participation Rate</li> <li>• 1-Year 10% Buffer with Cap</li> <li>• 1-Year 10% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate</li> <li>• 1-Year 10% Buffer with Performance Trigger</li> <li>• 1-Year 10% Buffer with Dual Performance Trigger</li> <li>• 1-Year 20% Buffer with Cap</li> <li>• 1-Year 20% Buffer with Performance Trigger</li> <li>• 1-Year -10% Floor with Cap</li> <li>• 1-Year 0% Floor with Cap</li> <li>• 2-Year 50% Downside Participation Rate with Cap</li> <li>• 2-Year 50% Downside Participation Rate with Upside Participation Rate</li> <li>• 3-Year 10% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate &amp; Cap</li> <li>• 3-Year 20% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate &amp; Cap</li> <li>• 6-Year 10% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate &amp; Cap</li> <li>• 6-Year 20% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate &amp; Cap</li> </ul> <p><i>(6-year strategies only available for terms beginning in first contract year, 3-year strategies only available for terms beginning in first four contract years)</i></p> </li> <li>• 10% penalty-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• Death benefit is greater of account value or purchase payments, less proportional reductions for withdrawals</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> <li>• Performance lock available on select strategies. For more information and availability by strategy, please refer to the Product Overview.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indexed strategies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1-Year 50% Downside Participation Rate with Cap</li> <li>• 1-Year 50% Downside Participation Rate with Upside Participation Rate</li> <li>• 1-Year 10% Buffer with Cap</li> <li>• 1-Year 10% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate</li> <li>• 1-Year 10% Buffer with Performance Trigger</li> <li>• 1-Year 10% Buffer with Dual Performance Trigger</li> <li>• 1-Year 20% Buffer with Cap</li> <li>• 1-Year 20% Buffer with Performance Trigger</li> <li>• 1-Year -10% Floor with Cap</li> <li>• 1-Year 0% Floor with Cap</li> <li>• 2-Year 50% Downside Participation Rate with Cap</li> <li>• 2-Year 50% Downside Participation Rate with Upside Participation Rate</li> <li>• 3-Year 10% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate &amp; Cap</li> <li>• 3-Year 20% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate &amp; Cap</li> <li>• 6-Year 10% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate &amp; Cap</li> <li>• 6-Year 20% Buffer with Upside Participation Rate &amp; Cap</li> </ul> <p><i>(6-year strategies only available for terms beginning in first contract year, 3-year strategies only available for terms beginning in first four contract years)</i></p> </li> <li>• 10% penalty-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• Death benefit is greater of account value or purchase payments, less proportional reductions for withdrawals</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> <li>• Performance lock available on select strategies. For more information and availability by strategy, please refer to the Product Overview.</li> </ul>

## FEE-BASED FIXED-INDEXED ANNUITIES

Index Protector 5 MVA	
Issue ages	0-89 (qualified) 0-89 (non-qualified) 0-75 (inherited IRA) 0-75 (inherited non-qualified)
Tax qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 403(b) (Traditional &amp; Roth)</li> <li>• 457(b)</li> <li>• 401(a)</li> <li>• IRA (Traditional, Roth, SEP, SIMPLE, Inherited)</li> <li>• Non-qualified</li> <li>• Inherited non-qualified</li> </ul>
Purchase payments	<b>Minimum: \$50,000</b> Additional purchase payments of at least \$25,000 accepted in first two months of contract
Early withdrawal charges	None
Market value adjustment	Yes
Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1-year and 5-year declared rate strategies</li> <li>• Indexed strategies: Point-to point with cap, participation rate or cap lock</li> <li>• 10% MVA-free withdrawal beginning first contract year</li> <li>• GMSV: 87.5% of purchase payments at a GMSV rate</li> <li>• Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup>A monthiversary is the same day of each month as the contract effective date. If there is no day in a month that is the same as the contract effective date, then the monthiversary is the last day of such month.

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Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders not available in all states. Extended care waiver is offered under form numbers ICC20-R6032420NW and ICC24-R1462424NW. Terminal illness waiver offered under form numbers ICC20-R6032320NW and ICC24-R1462324NW. Products issued by MassMutual Ascend Life Insurance Company (Cincinnati, Ohio), a wholly owned subsidiary of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company (MassMutual), under contract form numbers ICC21-P1152021NW, ICC21-P1152121NW, ICC21-P1476721NW, ICC24-P1172024NW, ICC24-P1825224NW, ICC24-P1833624NW, P1140219NW, P1140219ID and P1140219OR and rider form numbers ICC25-R6087225NW and ICC25-R6088925NW. Form numbers, features and availability may vary by state. Product may not be available in all states.

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