

# Important Information and Reminders for your TD Waterhouse Canada Inc. account(s)

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**TD Wealth**

At TD Waterhouse Canada Inc., we are committed to keeping you informed about important matters relating to your account(s), including providing you with required regulatory disclosures and important updates.

Please review the information included in this notification. No other action is required on your part.

For more information, please contact your Financial Planner.

## **Q&A: Account Grouping**

### **1. What is Account Grouping?**

Account Grouping is the linking of accounts for the purpose of establishing account fee rates. In other words, it gives clients the opportunity to bring down their fee rates by joining two or more of their accounts together or by joining their account(s) with others. Speak to your Financial Planner for more details on Account Grouping.

### **2. Who is eligible to participate in Account Grouping?**

Account Grouping is available for Fee-Based and Strategic Managed Portfolios (SMP) accounts in TD Wealth Financial Planning.

The fee rate for each of those types of account is usually scaled according to the value of the assets in a single account. Account Grouping can lower the fees for a single account by allowing a client to take advantage of the scaled rate for the combined assets of the accounts in the Account Group.

An Account Group consists of eligible family members and their related entities. Eligible family members are a client and their parents, grandparents, children, and grandchildren, and any of their spouses or common-law partners. A corporation will be eligible for an Account Group when it has an eligible family member who is an officer or director, or who has majority beneficial ownership. A trust will be eligible for an Account Group when it has an eligible family member who is a settlor, trustee, or named beneficiary. Eligibility for an Account Group will be determined at the time of the Account Group's creation, and when changes are made to the Account Group. The members of an Account Group must reside in the same province and have the same Financial Planner.

Speak to your Financial Planner for more details on who can group their accounts.

### **3. Why can't clients with accounts other than Fee-Based and SMP participate?**

Accounts which are not Fee-Based or SMP pay fees to the manager of the mutual funds they hold on their account. A portion of these fees are paid to TD Wealth Financial Planning for our services. Fees for each series of a mutual fund are fixed, not scaled, so combining accounts would not affect client rates. If you don't have a Fee-Based or SMP account, speak to your Financial Planner whether switching your accounts to Fee-Based or SMP could help you take advantage of Account Grouping savings.

### **4. How can I participate in Account Grouping?**

New and existing Fee-Based and SMP clients can sign up for Account Grouping by completing the necessary Account Grouping paperwork with their Financial Planner. Clients who do not have Fee-Based or SMP accounts will need to open one of those account types or convert existing accounts to those account types. Each member of an Account Group must agree to participate. Please speak to your Financial Planner to discuss the terms of account grouping and your eligibility to participate.

### **5. Will my account information be shared with other members of my Account Group?**

No information about account activity is directly shared between different members of an account group. Billing information and account reporting, as well as all other communications are sent to clients individually. However, when clients sign up to an account group, they will be able to see the names and account numbers of the other members of the account group on the documentation. Also, because fees are determined by combining the holdings of group members, individual members may have some awareness of the value of their Account Group's combined holdings. Talk to your Financial Planner about how we protect your personal information.

# **Leverage Risk Disclosure and Significant Shareholder Information**

## **Important Information about Leverage Risk**

Using borrowed money to finance the purchase of securities involves greater risk than a purchase using cash resources only. If you borrow money to purchase securities, your responsibility to repay the loan and pay interest as required by its terms remains the same, even if the value of the securities purchased declines. An investment strategy that uses borrowed money could result in far greater losses than an investment strategy that does not use borrowed money. There may also be tax consequences to you if assets in your account must be sold in order to meet any obligations to repay the borrowed money or any interest owing.

## **Important Notice for Insiders and Significant Shareholders**

To maintain a level playing field for all investors, Canadian securities industry regulations require insiders and significant shareholders of publicly traded companies to disclose their status when opening a brokerage account, and to disclose any changes of status as they occur. Insiders and significant shareholders are also required to disclose their status when placing trades on securities issued by, or related to, the company with which they are associated, when the trades are entered on any Canadian exchange or market. The same declaration requirement applies if you have trading authority or power of attorney on another person's account and are placing trades on their behalf, and either you or the other person is an insider or a significant shareholder of the issuer's securities. This requirement also applies to accounts where an insider/significant shareholder has a financial interest in, and/or a beneficial ownership interest in, an account. Insiders and significant shareholders must contact their Financial Planner and disclose their connection to the company before placing any such orders. We value your business. To learn more, or to update your information with regard to your insider or significant shareholder status, including whether you are a reporting insider, please contact your Financial Planner.

## **Fund Facts for Systematic Investment Plans**

When you purchase a new mutual fund, we will provide you with a copy of the Fund Facts to help inform your investment decisions. The Fund Facts includes details about that fund's holdings, risk factors, past performance and costs. For any subsequent purchase of the same fund made through a systematic investment plan (SIP), no Fund Facts will be provided unless you request it or TD has opted to deliver additional copies. To order Fund Facts at no cost to you, the following options are available:

- Contact your Financial Planner by mail at the address noted on your TD Wealth Financial Planning account statement
- Contact 1-866-646-7888 and request the Fund Facts
- Email a Fund Facts request to [td.waterhouse@td.com](mailto:td.waterhouse@td.com)
- Submit an online request for Fund Facts to [sedar.com](http://sedar.com)

Please note: You will not have a right of withdrawal for subsequent purchases under your SIP but will continue to have a right of action for damages or rescission if there is a misrepresentation in the prospectus, annual information form, Fund Facts or financial statements for mutual fund purchases made through your SIP account. You may also terminate your SIP at any time.



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