# Target Market Determination



# CC Sage Capital Absolute Return Fund Class A

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# **Target Market Summary**

The fund is suitable for investors who are seeking capital growth over an investment timeframe of at least 5 years. The fund aims to generate returns by taking both long positions and short positions in Australian shares which are listed on the ASX or expected to be listed within 90 days. The fund targets an exposure to the Australian equity market of -15% to +15% and has a high to very high risk/return profile. Investors should be willing to accept shorter term fluctuations in market value. They may have a potential need to access their capital within a short timeframe (1 week) and intend to hold units in the fund as a satellite/small or minor allocation of their portfolio.

# **Target Market Determination Indicator Key**

The Investor Attributes for which the fund is likely to be appropriate have been assessed using a red/green rating methodology with the following meaning:

In target market	Not considered in target market

#### Investment Products and Diversification

An investor (or class of investors) may intend to hold units in the fund as part of a diversified portfolio (typically with an intended product use of satellite/small allocation or minor allocation). In such circumstances, the fund should be assessed against the investor's attributes for the relevant portion of the portfolio, rather than the investor's portfolio as a whole. For example, an investor may seek to construct a conservative portfolio with a satellite/small allocation to growth assets. In this case, it may be likely that a product with a high or very high risk/return profile is consistent with the investor's objectives for that allocation notwithstanding that the risk/return profile of the investor as a whole is low or medium. In making this assessment, distributors should consider all features of a product (including its key attributes).

# **Investor Attributes**

Investor Investment Objecti		
Capital Growth Capital Preservation Income Distribution	In target market Not considered in target market Not considered in target market	The fund is an absolute returns fund and aims to achieve positive returns in excess of the RBA Cash Rate, after fees and expenses, over the long term by taking both long and short positions in selected Australian shares.
		The fund seeks to distribute semi-annually when income is available to distribute. Investors should be aware that income may not be available to distribute at every set distribution period.
Investor Product Use (% Of	Investable Assets)	
Solution/Standalone (up to 100%) Major Allocation (up to 75%) Core Component (up to 50%)	Not considered in target market Not considered in target market Not considered in target market	The fund invests in Australian shares listed on the ASX, or which are expected to be listed within a 90 day period.
Minor Allocation (up to 25%) Satellite/Small Allocation (up to 10%)	In target market  In target market	The fund is permitted to offset long and short positions to maintain an aggregate maximum leve of gross exposure of 400% of the fund's net asse value.
		The indicative asset allocation is:  • Australian equities (long): 0%–200%  • Australian equities (short): 0% 200%  • Australian equities (net): -15%–15%  • Cash and equivalents: 85%-115%  • Derivatives: 0%–10%
		The absolute weight exposure will be 10% at the time of the initial transaction and will not exceed 12% after allowing for market price movements after the initial transaction.
Investor Minimum Suggeste	ed Investment Timeframe	
Minimum Investment Timeframe	5 years	Minimum suggested investment timeframe of at least 5 years.
Investor Risk/Return Profile		
Low	Not considered in target market	The fund has a high to very high risk/return
Medium High	Not considered in target market In target market	profile.
Very High	In target market	
Investor Withdrawal Needs		
Within 1 week from request Within 2 weeks of request Within 1 month of request Within 3 months of request Annually or longer (additional details provided)	In target market	The Issuer endeavours to ensure that withdrawal proceeds are paid within 1 week from the date of receipt of the withdrawal request. Investors should note however, that the fund's constitution allows up to 21 days from acceptance of a withdrawal request.

# **Appropriateness**

The Issuer has assessed the fund and formed the view that the fund, including its key attributes, is likely to be consistent with the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of investors in the target market as described above, as the features of this product in Column 3 of the table above are likely to be suitable for investors with the attributes identified with a green Target Market Determination (TMD) Indicator in Column 2.

#### **Distribution Channels and Conditions**

CHANNEL	CONDITIONS
Advised	<ul> <li>The fund is permitted to be distributed by licensees or their authorised representatives to investors where the distributor is reasonably satisfied that the investor has obtained personal advice which is consistent with distribution of the fund to the investor.</li> </ul>
Platform	The fund is permitted to be distributed via Approved Platforms.
Issuer	<ul> <li>The Issuer will only accept investors that satisfy the wholesale client test contained in section 761G of the Corporations Act 2001.</li> <li>The minimum investment amount is \$100,000 (the Issuer has the discretion to accept lesser amounts).</li> </ul>

### **Review Requirements**

Review Triggers		
Material change to key attributes and/or fees		
Material deviation from benchmark/objective over sustained period		
Key attributes have not performed as disclosed by a material degree and	d for a material period	
Determination by the Issuer of an ASIC reportable Significant Dealing		
Material or unexpectedly high number of complaints (as defined in section 994A(1) of the Act) about the fund or distribution of the fund		
Material or unexpectedly high number of withdrawal requests		
The use of Product Intervention Powers, regulator orders or directions that affects the fund		
Any other event occurs that indicates that, in the reasonable opinion of the Issuer, indicates that this TMD is no longer applicable		
Review Periods		
Initial review	1 year and 3 months	
Regular scheduled review	Annual, following initial review	

## **Distributor Reporting**

Regular Reporting	
Complaints relating to the fund design, product availability and distribution (as defined in section 994A(1) of the Act)	As soon as practicable (no later than 10 days after calendar quarter end)
Significant dealing outside of target market (s994F(6) of the Act) See Definitions for further detail	As soon as practicable (no later than 10 days of the Distributor becoming aware)

### **Contact Details**

For any queries in relation to this target market determination or associated products, please contact <a href="mailto:distribution@channelcapital.com.au">distribution@channelcapital.com.au</a> or visit the Channel Capital website (<a href="www.channelcapital.com.au">www.channelcapital.com.au</a>).

#### **Disclaimer**

This Target Market Determination (TMD) is required under section 994B of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) (the Act) and is prepared by Channel Investment Management Limited ACN 163 234 240 AFSL 439007 (CIML) as the responsible entity and Issuer of units for the fund. It sets out the investors for whom the fund, including its key attributes, would likely be consistent with their likely objectives, financial situation and needs. In addition, the TMD outlines the triggers to review the target market and certain other information. It forms part of CIML's design and distribution arrangements for the fund.

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Important terms used in this TMD are defined in the Definitions section of this document. Capitalised terms have the meaning given to them in the fund's PDS, unless otherwise defined. The PDS can be obtained by contacting the Distribution Team or on our website at <a href="https://www.channelcapital.com.au/">https://www.channelcapital.com.au/</a>.

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#### **Definitions**

Term	Definition
Investor's Investment Objective	
Capital Growth	The investor seeks to invest in a product designed to generate capital return. The investor prefers exposure to growth assets (such as shares or property) or otherwise seeks an investment return above the current inflation rate.
Capital Preservation	The investor seeks to invest in a product to reduce volatility and minimise loss in a market down-turn. The investor prefers exposure to defensive assets (such as cash or fixed income securities) that are generally lower in risk and less volatile than growth investments.
Income Distribution	The investor seeks to invest in a product designed to distribute regular and/or tax -effective income. The investor prefers exposure to income-generating assets (typically, high dividend-yielding equities, fixed income securities and money market instruments).
Investor's Intended Product Use	e e
Solution/Standalone (up to 100%)	The investor intends to hold the investment as a solution or standalone product, being up to 100% of their total Investable Assets (see definition below). The investor typically prefers exposure to a product with Very High portfolio diversification (see definition below).
Major Allocation (up to 75%)	The investor intends to hold the investment as a major component (up to 75%), of their total Investable Assets (see definition below). The investor is likely to seek a product with at least High portfolio diversification (see definition below).
Core Component (up to 50%)	The investor intends to hold the investment as a core component (up to 50%), of their total Investable Assets (see definition below). The investor typically prefers exposure to a product with at least Medium portfolio diversification (see definition below).
Minor Allocation (up to 25%)	The investor intends to hold the investment as a minor allocation (up to 25%) of their total Investable Assets (see definition below).  The investor is likely to seek a fund with at least Low portfolio diversification (see definition below).
Satellite/Small Allocation (up to 10%)	The investor is likely to seek a fund with at least Low portfolio diversification (see definition below).  The investor intends to hold the investment as a smaller part of their total portfolio, as an indication it would be suitable for up to 10% of the total Investable Assets (see definition below). The investor is likely to be comfortable with exposure to a product with Very Low portfolio diversification (see definition below).
Investable Assets	Those assets that the investor has available for investment, excluding the residential home.
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Low Single asset class, single country, low or moderate holdings of securities, e.g. high conviction Australian equities.

Medium 1-2 asset classes, single country, broad exposure within asset class, e.g. Australian equities "All Ords".

High Highly diversified across either asset classes, countries or investment managers, e.g. Australian multi-manager balanced fund or global multi-asset product (or global equities).

#### Investor's Risk (Ability To Bear Loss)/Return Profile

Issuers should undertake a comprehensive risk assessment for each product. The Financial Services Council (FSC) recommends adoption of the Standard Risk Measure (SRM) to calculate the likely number of negative annual returns over a 20 year period, using the guidance and methodology outlined in the Standard Risk Measure Guidance Paper For Trustees. SRM is not a complete assessment of risk and potential loss. For example, it does not detail important issues such as the potential size of a negative return or that a positive return could still be less than an investor requires to meet their investment objectives/needs. Issuers may wish to supplement the SRM methodology by also considering other risk factors. For example, some products may use leverage, derivatives or short selling, may have liquidity or withdrawal limitations, or otherwise may have a complex structure or increased investment risks, which should be documented together with the SRM to substantiate the fund risk rating.

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Low	The investor is conservative or low risk in nature, seeks to minimise potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 1 negative return over a 20 year period (SRM 1 to 2) and is comfortable with a low target return profile.  Investor typically prefers defensive assets such as cash and fixed income.
Medium	The investor is moderate or medium risk in nature, seeking to minimise potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 4 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 3 to 5) and comfortable with a moderate target return profile.
	Investor typically prefers a balance of growth assets such as shares, property and alternative assets and defensive assets such as cash and fixed income.
High	The investor is higher risk in nature and can accept higher potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 6 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 6) in order to target a higher target return profile.
	Investor typically prefers predominantly growth assets such as shares, property and alternative assets with only a smaller or moderate holding in defensive assets such as cash and fixed income.

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Very High	The investor has a more aggressive or very high risk appetite, seeks to maximise returns and can accept higher potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear 6 or more negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 7) and possibly other risk factors, such as leverage).  Investor typically prefers growth assets such as shares, property and alternative assets.
<b>Investor's Withdrawal Needs</b>	
determining the ability to meet	first instance the redemption request frequency under ordinary circumstances. However, the redemption request frequency is not the only consideration when the investor's requirement to access capital. To the extent that the liquidity of the underlying investments or possible liquidity constraints (e.g. ability to stagger of this, this is to be taken into consideration in completing this section.  The investor seeks to invest in a product which permits redemption requests at this frequency under ordinary circumstances and the Issuer is typically able to meet that request within a reasonable period.
Distributor Reporting	
Approved Platforms	<ul> <li>Platforms are not authorised to distribute the fund unless:</li> <li>The Platform has completed due diligence process (as determined by the Issuer) and the Issuer has determined the Platform is competent and suitable distribute the fund; and</li> <li>The Issuer has provided, and not withdrawn, its consent to distribution of the fund by the Platform; and</li> <li>The Platform, as distributor, complies with the terms and conditions of the Issuers consent to distribution of the fund. These terms and conditions may include as appropriate:         <ul> <li>Periodic review/audit of the Platform's internal controls and distribution practices (for example, by requesting/reviewing a sample Application again the TMD and information collected by the Distributor).</li> <li>Periodic reporting by the Platform to the Issuer on its compliance with the TMD and Design and Distribution Obligations.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	A Platform can request to become an Approved Platform by writing to the Issuer at distribution@channelcapital.com.au
Significant Dealing	Section 994F(6) of the Act requires distributors to notify the Issuer if they become aware of a significant dealing in the fund that is not consistent with the TMD. Neither the Act nor ASIC defines when a dealing is 'significant' and distributors have discretion to apply its ordinary meaning. The Issuer will rely on notifications of significant dealings to monitor and review the fund, this TMD, and its distribution strategy, and to meet its own obligation to report significant dealings to ASIC. Dealings outside this TMD may be significant because:  • they represent a material proportion of the overall distribution conduct carried out by the distributor in relation to the product, or  • they constitute an individual transaction which has resulted in, or will or is likely to result in, significant detriment to the investor (or class of investors).  In each case, the distributor should have regard to:  • the nature and risk profile of the fund (which may be indicated by the fund's risk rating or withdrawal timeframes),  • the actual or potential harm to an investor (which may be indicated by the value of the investor's investment, their intended product use or their ability to bear loss), and  • the nature and extent of the inconsistency of distribution with the TMD (which may be indicated by the number of red or amber ratings attributed to the investor).
	Objectively, a distributor may consider a dealing (or group of dealings) outside the TMD to be significant if:
	it constitutes mare then helf of the distributer's total retail product distribution conduct in relation to the fund over the reporting period

- it constitutes more than half of the distributor's total retail product distribution conduct in relation to the fund over the reporting period,
- the investor's intended product use is Solution/Standalone, or the investor's intended product use is Core Component and the investor's risk (ability to bear loss) and return profile is Low.