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## MEMBER GUIDE FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY GTC

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annuity

**Default** 

annuity

The portion of your benefit which was not taken as a cash lump sum (if applicable) will be used to buy you an income. You have the choice of electing the basis on which you receive an annuity after your retirement date. There are four types of annuities which you can elect at retirement to provide you with an income:

- 1. A compulsory life annuity
- 2. A living annuity
- 3. A combination of a compulsory life annuity and a living annuity
- 4. A default annuity if applicable as determined by the fund's Trustees.

## **Compulsory life annuity**

- Provides you with a fixed amount per month until your death.
- Option to elect that the annuity runs until the last dying of you or your spouse.
- A minimum guaranteed income payment period can be elected.
- Provision for various types of income increases are also available.
- Inflation linked income increases can be structured.
- The performance of the underlying investment affects ONLY the increases of a 'with-profit' annuity.
- Income will not reduce and will increase over time, depending on the option you select.
- These options must be elected at inception date and cannot be amended.
- This income will be subject to tax.

The role of the accredited financial advisor is critical to ensure that you are able to make an informed decision for your retirement.

**Compulsory** 

life annuity







Living annuity

- Linked directly to the performance of the underlying investment portfolio.
- The annual income derived from the living annuity is flexible. A minimum of 2.5% and a maximum of 17.5% each year.
  - You can revise this rate each year on the anniversary date.
  - This income can be paid monthly in arrears or quarterly, bi-annually or annually in advance.
  - This income will be subject to tax.
  - Continues after the death of the annuitant and passes to the nominated dependant/s.
  - Dependants may choose to commute this and receive the lump sum value.

A combination of a compulsory life & living annuity is also an option.

## **Default annuity option**

The trustees of the GTC Umbrella Funds have established an annuity strategy that has identified a "with-profit" annuity.

The Just Lifetime Income Annuity has been identified by the trustees as an 'opt-in' option for consideration by members who value the option of a lifetime income that never reduce and increases over time. Check your fund for T&C.

The decisions you make at retirement cannot be reversed.



GTC, as your administrator, can provide you with all of the information regarding your fund that you require to make these important decisions.

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You are urged to seek accredited financial advice in this regard.



Your retirement is a big milestone and an extremely important financial crossroad in your life, with complex issues to consider on the products available to you.

Retirement is a complex and vitally important financial planning process.