

KEY CHANGES TO ESSENTIAL SUPER.

We made changes to Essential Super this year and it's important you are aware of these and how they might affect you. Below is a table outlining the key changes.

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Effective 23 September 2017													
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New fee disclosure requirements	The PDS includes new disclosure requirements to support the disclosure of fee and cost information.												
Super tax reforms	<p>The PDS has been updated to incorporate recent super tax reforms, many of which came in to effect from 1 July 2017. Some of these changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Low Income Superannuation Tax Offset (LISTO) was introduced from 1 July 2017 which replaced the Low Income Superannuation Contribution (LISC). • The concessional cap for the 2017-18 financial year is \$25,000 pa. • The non-concessional contributions cap for 2017-18 is \$100,000, or if you are under age 65 at any time during the financial year, you can bring forward two years' worth of contributions under the bring-forward rule. <p>These changes are widespread so it's a good time to speak to your financial adviser about how they may affect you and your retirement strategy.</p> <p>For a detailed list of all the 1 July 2017 super tax changes search 'super changes' on the ATO website ato.gov.au</p>												
Removal of budget repair levy	Due to the removal of the budget repair levy, the top marginal tax rate (including applicable levies) has changed from 49% to 47% from 1 July 2017.												
Environment, social and governance risk	We've added environmental, social and governance risk (ESG) as a general risk type.												
Tax deductions for personal super contributions	From 1 July 2017, all individuals under age 65 (and those between 65 and 74 who meet the work test) can generally claim an income tax deduction for personal superannuation contributions.												



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If you have any questions or concerns about these changes or your Essential Super account, please call us on 13 4074 between 8am – 7pm, Monday to Friday (AEST).

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