

# **Certified Ethical Investment Wholesale Short Term Deposits (STDs) at the Bank Counterparty Product Information**

## **Product Information**

Teachers Mutual Bank Limited (the Bank) Wholesale Sector Short Term Deposits (STDs) are comprised of:

- Negotiable Certificates of Deposit (NCDs)
- Wholesale term deposits
- Wholesale overnight deposits (11AM cash – at call).

## **Coverage**

This Certification covers all new Wholesale STDs sold/issued by the Bank to any of the Bank's wholesale Counterparties, valid from August 20th 2019.

## **About RIAA Certification**

Wholesale STDs have been certified as ethical investment by RIAA according to the strict operational and disclosure practices required under the Responsible Investment Certification Program. See [www.responsibleinvestment.org](http://www.responsibleinvestment.org) for details.

## **Certified ethical criteria**

Wholesale STDs are certified ethical investment because these products are subject to ethical exclusion criteria that applies across 14 categories. Therefore, a wholesale counterparty who purchases these short term instruments is guaranteed that their funds are not lent to the following categories;

### **1. Ethical lending exclusions**

'Various lending opportunities are disqualified from the Bank's lending origination business. Such exclusions are where the primary purpose of the entity or business is alcohol, armaments, correctional facilities, cryptocurrency, deforestation or gross environmental degradation, gambling, military activities, political activities, pornography, slavery, tobacco or uranium.'

### **2. Fossil fuel and climate change exclusions**

'Various lending opportunities are disqualified from the Bank's lending origination business. Such exclusions are where:

- the purpose would be to finance large scale greenhouse gas pollution from fossil fuel exploration, extraction, production and use; or
- the purpose would be to directly lend to, buy equity or debt in any large scale greenhouse polluting activities from fossil fuel exploration, extraction, production and use.
- The Bank will not directly invest in any large scale greenhouse gas polluting (i.e. fossil fuel exploration, extraction, production and use) activities or companies.'

## **Use of proceeds**

Proceeds from the Bank's wholesale funding are used to fund the Bank's balance sheet and are primarily used to fund mortgages. The Bank's balance sheet funds our four brands; Teachers Mutual Bank, Firefighters Mutual Bank, UniBank and Health Professionals Bank.

## **About RIAA**

The Responsible Investment Association Australasia (RIAA) champions responsible investing and a sustainable financial system in Australia and New Zealand. RIAA is dedicated to ensuring capital is aligned with achieving a healthy society, environment and economy. With over 240 members managing more than \$9 trillion in assets globally, RIAA is the largest and most active network of people and organisations engaged in responsible, ethical and impact investing across Australia and New Zealand. More info: <https://responsibleinvestment.org/>

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