

Aviva Life & Pensions Ireland DAC

Standard Commission Terms

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The Intermediary (Broker) acts between you, the consumer, and the product provider with whom they place business.

The background

Pursuant to provision 4.58A of the Central Bank of Ireland's September 2019 Addendum to the Consumer Protection Code, all intermediaries, must make available in their public offices, or on their website if they have one, a summary of the details of all arrangements for any fee, commission, other reward or remuneration provided to the intermediary which it has agreed with its product producers.

What is commission?

For the purpose of this document, commission is the payment earned by the intermediary for work undertaken on behalf of both the provider and the consumer. The amount of commission is generally directly related to the premium or value of the products sold. There are different types of commission models:

Single commission model: where payment is made to the intermediary shortly after the sale is completed and is based on a percentage of the premium paid/amount invested/amount borrowed.

Trail/Renewal commission model: Further payments at intervals are paid throughout the life span of the product.

Indemnity commission

Indemnity commission is the term used to describe a commission payment made before the commission is deemed to be 'earned'. Indemnity commission may be subject to a clawback (see below) if the consumer lapses or cancels the product before the commission is deemed to be earned. Other forms of indemnity commission are advances of commission for future sales granted to intermediaries in order to assist with set up costs or business development.

Life Assurance/Investments/Pension products

For Life Assurance products commission is divided into initial commission and renewal commission (related to premium), fund based or trail relating to accumulated fund.

Trail commission, bullet commission, fund based or renewal commission are all terms used for ongoing payments. Where an investment fund is being built up through an insurance-based investment product or a pension product, the increments may be based on a percentage of the value of the fund or the annual premium. For a single premium/lump sum product, the increment is generally based on the value of the fund.

Examples of products include Life Protection, Regular Premium Life Assurance Investments, Single Premium (lump sum) Insurance-based Investments, and Single Premium Pensions.

Clawback

Clawback is an obligation on the intermediary to repay unearned commission. Commission can be paid directly after a contract is concluded but is not deemed to be 'earned' until after a specified period of time. If the consumer cancels or withdraws from the financial product within the specified time, the intermediary must return commission to the product producer.

Fees

The firm may also be remunerated by fee by the product producer such as policy fee, admin fee, or in the case of investment firms, advisory fees.

Other Fees, Administrative Costs/ Non-Monetary Benefits

A non-monetary benefit could include (but is not limited to):

- Attendance at product provider seminars
- Industry Educational Seminars
- Use of Product Providers resources
- Co-branded literature
- Product Provider hospitality
- Assistance with Advertising/Branding

Flexible Protection, Mortgage Protection Plan, Personal and Executive Pension Term Assurance

-	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7+

Rate	22% -	3% -	3% -	3% -	3% -	3% -	3% -
Range	150%	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%

The clawback period is up to 2 years

Personal & Executive Income Protection & Wage Protector

-	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7+
Rate	30% -	15% -	15% -	15% -	3% -	3% -	3% -
Range	200%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%

The clawback period is up to 4 years

Savings & Investments, PRSA & Annuities

Single Contribution PRSA	Initial	Trail	Bullet
Default	n/a	n/a	n/a
Max	7.5%	0.25%	n/a

Annuities	Initial	Trail	Bullet
Default	2%	n/a	n/a
Max	3%	n/a	n/a

Investment Bonds	Initial	Trail	Bullet
Default	n/a	n/a	n/a
Max	4.25%	0.75%	n/a

Investment Only	Initial	Trail	Bullet
Default	n/a	n/a	n/a

Max	5%	0.75%	n/a
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Regular Contribution PRSA	Initial	Trail	Bullet
Default	n/a	n/a	n/a
Max	17.50%	0.25%	n/a

Savings Plan	Initial	Trail	Bullet
Default	10%	n/a	n/a
Max	10%	0.75%	n/a

Individual Pensions

-	Initial	Trail	Bullet
Default	n/a	n/a	n/a
Max	Regular Premium: 20% Single Premium: 5.25%	1% each year thereafter	Single Premium: n/a Regular Premium: 40%

ARF / AMRF

-	Initial	Trail
Default	N/A	N/A
Max	5.25%	1% each year thereafter

Group Life

-	Year 1	Year 2
Default	Flat commission of either 0% or 6%	0% or 6% each year thereafter

Max	6%	6%
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Group Income Protection

-	Year 1	Year 2
Default	Flat commission of either 0% or 12.5%	0 or 12.5% each year thereafter
Max	12.5%	12.5%

Group Pensions

-	Initial	Trail
Default	n/a	n/a
Max	Regular Premium: 10% Single Premium: 2%	1% each year thereafter

The clawback period is up to 6 years on Regular Premium Products, Early Encashment Charges of up to 5% on Single Premium Products.

The above information is provided on a non-reliance basis and for informative purposes only.

It is the responsibility of the intermediary to ensure the accuracy of the above information and to disclose this information to the consumer.

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