

GOVERNED RANGE GOVERNED PORTFOLIO DEFENSIVE FACTSHEET

What is the investment objective?

This portfolio aims to deliver above inflation growth, whilst taking a low level of investment risk relative to the other portfolios in the Governed Portfolio range. Investment risk is a measure of the expected volatility. On a scale rating the investment risk of Governed Portfolios from 1 to 7, with 1 being the lowest, this portfolio is a 1. The portfolio invests in a range of asset classes, that can include, but is not limited to equities, fixed interest, cash, property and commodities.

What governance process is in place?

Your portfolio comes with ongoing governance. This simply means that our investment experts check it regularly. It allows us to maintain the best mix of assets in line with the risk category - and to make sure it is performing in line with its overall objectives - aiming to give you the best returns. The value of your investment can go down as well as up and you may not get back the value of the original investment.

If our experts decide that the mix of assets needs to be adjusted, it happens automatically on your behalf, you don't need to do anything. What's more, this service comes at no extra cost.

For full details of our governance process please visit our website at

royallondon.com/pensions/investment-options/investment-governance.

What are the Governed Portfolios?

Our range of Governed Portfolios offers a choice of different investment risk levels for investors. Each portfolio aims to deliver above inflation growth, within a tightly controlled risk framework. The portfolios benefit from regular reviews and hands-on management from investment experts to help make sure they continue to meet their objectives.

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Which portfolio is right for you?

If you are not sure which portfolio is right for you, you can visit our online tool at **royallondon.com/pensions/investment-options/risk-profiler** to give you an idea of which portfolio may be appropriate for you.

If you are in doubt about the suitability of any particular type of investment, you should ask for advice from a financial adviser. Financial advisers may charge for their services - though they should agree any fees with you upfront.

Where is the portfolio invested?

The fund mix of the portfolio as at 7th August 2025 is shown below:

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RLP Global Mezzanine ABS Fund	0.88%
RLP Global Senior ABS Fund	2.62%
RLP UK Corporate Bond	9.30%
RLP Global Corporate Bond	3.55%
RLP Short Duration UK Corporate Bond	9.35%
RLP UK Government Bond	12.30%
RLP Short Term Fixed Income	2.00%
RLP Global Government Bond	2.90%
RLP Short Duration UK Government Bond	8.95%
RLP Property	4.90%
RLP UK Index Linked	4.35%
RLP Short Duration Global Index Linked	5.30%
RLP Deposit	2.44%
RLP Global High Yield Bond	3.66%
RLP Short Duration Global High Yield	1.25%
RLP Commodity	5.00%
RLP Absolute Return Government Bond	2.50%
RLP Global Managed	18.75%

The Global Managed fund invests in UK, Global and Emerging Market equities. The current benchmark split is 22.5% UK Equities, 67.5% Global Equities and 10% Emerging Market Equities. You can replace the Global Managed pension fund with an alternative equity fund or funds from the Royal London Pensions fund range.

If you want to know more about any of the funds within your portfolio, including details of fund charges, please visit our website **royallondon.com/pensioninvestments** and view the relevant fund factsheet.

Does the portfolio rebalance?

This portfolio rebalances monthly. If a portfolio is not rebalanced regularly, the asset mix can drift significantly over time changing the suitability of the portfolio.

What is the portfolio benchmark?

The benchmark is a target against which performance is measured.

This benchmark is regularly reviewed and may be updated by Royal London so that it remains appropriate for the investment objective as detailed in the section **'What is the investment objective'** or where a component index is discontinued or replaced.

The benchmark for this portfolio is a composite of indices:

ABI UK - UK Direct Property	5.00%
Bloomberg Commodity Index	5.00%
BofA Merril Lynch Global HY Constrained GBP Hedged Index	3.75%
Markit iBoxx Sterling Non-Gilt Index (9.00%)/Bloomberg Global Aggregate GBP Hedged Index (3.50%)/ICE BofA Merrill Lynch 1-5 Year Sterling Non-Gilt Index (9.00%)	21.50%
FTSE Actuaries UK Index Linked Gilts (All Stocks) Index	5.00%
Bloomberg World Government Inflation Linked Bond (ex UK) 1-10 year Index (3.50%)/Bloomberg UK Government Inflation Linked Bond 1-10 year Index (1.50%)	5.00%
FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts (All Stocks) Index	13.25%
JPMorgan Global GBI Hedged Index	3.00%
FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts up to 5 Years Index	8.75%
Sterling Overnight Index Average (SONIA)	13.50%
FTSE World Index (10.96%)/FTSE All Share Index (3.66%)/MSCI EM (Emerging Markets) Index (1.63%)	16.25%

Details of changes to the portfolio

The following table documents the last 3 changes that Royal London have made to this portfolio.

Effective Date of Change	Overview of Changes
07/08/2025	Governed Portfolio Defensive Stock markets have extended their rally over recent weeks, marking a third consecutive month of gains. Despite an uncertain macro backdrop and persistently elevated policy uncertainty, this strength in stocks has been underpinned by a strong start to corporate earnings season, alongside a series of positive economic data surprises. We are adding to equities at the margin, increasing our overweight position. Elsewhere, we remain neutral on commodities, and retain our modest underweight position in bonds.

Effective Date of Change	Overview of Changes
17/07/2025	Governed Portfolio Defensive Stock markets have continued to grind higher over recent weeks, with indices moving back towards all time highs. Geopolitical tensions remain elevated and the impact of tariffs on the global economy is still unclear. While technical factors have continued to improve, we have added to our position in global equities which moves the portfolios to a modest overweight position given that uncertainty in the macro environment over the medium term. We have also added to our position in high yield bonds. Elsewhere, we have reduced our allocation to government bonds, moving to a modest underweight position.
03/07/2025	Governed Portfolio Defensive Stock markets have rallied back towards all-time highs over recent weeks, as risk appetite has been supported by easing tensions in the Middle East. We are marginally adding to equities against an improving technical backdrop, with volatility now at subdued levels. Elsewhere, we are moving neutral on commodities following the reduction in geopolitical risks but continue to remain broadly neutral on bonds in the current macroeconomic climate.

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