

Focused Growth Annuity

Optimized Savings Accumulation

Standard Insurance Company's Focused Growth Annuity offers optimized growth potential while providing safeguards to protect your hard-earned savings. The FGA is an ideal savings vehicle if you are a growth-focused saver who appreciates the benefits of tax-deferred growth, savings protection and limited access to funds. Few taxable investments can provide this blend of safety, growth and flexibility.

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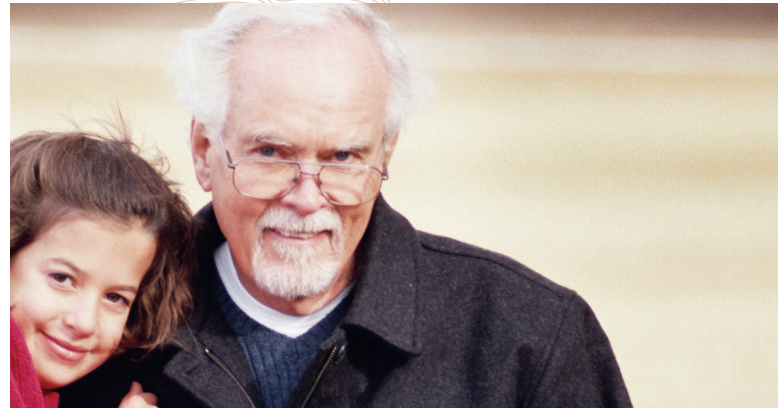
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Premium Flexibility

If you are age 90 or younger, you can establish an FGA with a premium amount of your choice, ranging from \$15,000 to \$1,000,000 (or more with prior home-office approval). Additional premiums will be accepted within the first 90 days of the contract and will receive the interest rate in effect at the time the premium is received in the home office.

Interest-Rate Guarantee

Your premium will be credited a guaranteed interest rate during the guarantee period — the first five or six years of the contract, depending on the option you choose. After the guarantee period, the premium will receive a renewal rate based on the current interest-rate environment.



Minimum-Rate Guarantee

Your contract will include a minimum guaranteed rate, below which your renewal rate will never fall.

Advantages of Tax Deferral

Taxes will be due only when you make withdrawals or begin taking distributions — generally during retirement, when you may find yourself in a lower tax bracket. As a result, interest accumulates on your principal, your earnings and on the money you would otherwise pay in income taxes.

Guaranteed Income Options

Special annuitization features in the contract can provide a guaranteed income for life or for a specific period of your choice. These options can be used to cover living expenses in your retirement.

Freedom to Change Your Mind

From the date you receive your annuity contract, you have 30 days to consider your decision. If you decide to terminate the transaction during the 30 days, we will return your premium.

Integrity and Stability

Since 1906, The Standard has been dedicated to treating customers with integrity — a philosophy that results in strong financial strength ratings.

Surrender Period Options

You may withdraw all or a portion of your annuity funds at any time. However, surrender charges may apply to withdrawals taken during the surrender period. The surrender charges below represent a percentage of the annuity's balance.

FGA 5

A withdrawal in...	results in a...
year 1	8% surrender charge
year 2	7% surrender charge
year 3	6% surrender charge
year 4	5% surrender charge
year 5	4% surrender charge

FGA 6

A withdrawal in...	results in a...
year 1	8% surrender charge
year 2	7% surrender charge
year 3	6% surrender charge
year 4	5% surrender charge
year 5	4% surrender charge
year 6	3% surrender charge

Withdrawals must be at least \$500, and you must maintain a minimum balance of \$2,000. Please note that an additional 10% IRS penalty may apply to withdrawals taken before age 59½.

Market Value Adjustment

During the surrender period, an MVA is applied to withdrawals or surrenders that are subject to surrender charges. The MVA is based on changes in the yields on U.S. Treasuries and may increase or decrease your annuity's surrender value. (The FGA contract details how the MVA is calculated.) Generally, if interest rates have risen since you have purchased your annuity, the MVA will decrease your surrender value. If interest rates have fallen, the MVA will increase your surrender value. During the surrender period, you will never receive less than 90% (may be higher in some states) of your total premium payments, less any withdrawals.

Accessing Funds

The FGA offers a variety of ways to access funds from your annuity without incurring a surrender charge.

Payments of Interest Earnings

After an initial 30 days, you may receive interest payments without a surrender charge.

403(b) Tax-Sheltered Annuity Loans

If your contract is held as 403(b) TSA, you may be eligible to receive one loan per calendar year from your TSA. Each loan must be at least \$1,000 and the amount you may borrow may be reduced if you already have an outstanding loan balance or if you have taken another loan within the prior 12 months.

TSA loans are not available during the surrender charge period.

Minimum Distributions

If your contract is held as an IRA, 403(b) TSA or other qualified plan, you may receive IRS Required Minimum Distributions without a surrender charge.

Waivers

After the first contract year, if you become a nursing home resident for 30 or more consecutive days, or if you incur a terminal condition, you may withdraw from your annuity without a surrender charge.

The nursing home waiver is not available in Massachusetts and state-specific conditions apply to the terminal condition waiver.

Annuitization

At any time, if you convert your FGA into a payout annuity with The Standard and choose either a lifetime or a period-certain option of five years or more, you will begin receiving guaranteed income payments without a surrender charge.

Death Benefits

The full accumulation value of the annuity will be available to your beneficiary upon your death.

The following applies if the annuity is purchased through a bank or a credit union: (a) the annuity is not a deposit; (b) the annuity is not guaranteed by any bank or credit union; (c) the annuity is not insured by the FDIC or any other governmental agency; (d) the purchase of an annuity is not a provision or condition of any bank or credit union activity; and (e) some annuities are subject to investment risk and may go down in value.

Policy: SPDA
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