Fund merger for Santander Max 70% Shares Portfolio

I am writing to you because you are invested in the Santander Max 70% Shares Portfolio fund, provided by Santander Asset Management UK.

Santander has informed us that the Santander Max 70% Shares Portfolio fund will merge into the Santander Atlas Portfolio 5 fund on **27 February 2026**. You'll see the new fund on your valuations and statements after that date.

The merger is subject to shareholder approval. If it isn't approved, we will write to let you know.

The last date we can sell from the fund before the merger will be 11:00 on 20 February 2026.

You may want to speak to your financial adviser about the impact of the merger. Please speak to them before making any investment decisions, or if you have any questions about this change.

If you don't have a financial adviser, we recommend that you consider the benefits of receiving professional financial advice, which can be especially important when you need to make investment decisions. If you would like to search for an adviser in your area you can start by visiting quilter.com/financial-advice/find-an-adviser.

How the merger will affect your account

- The value of your fund holding The merger may affect the value of your fund holding, as explained below under the heading "Will the merger cost me anything?"
- **Treasured assets** if you have treasured the fund to be excluded when deducting units to meet certain scheduled payments from your account (for example charges and ongoing adviser fees), this arrangement will stop. You can arrange to treasure different assets by providing us with a new treasured asset request form.

Cash may not be suitable for your long-term investment needs. If you're happy for the amount to stay in cash, you don't need to do anything. Alternatively, you can switch the cash into an alternative asset(s) from our extensive range. Your financial adviser can give us your switch instruction, or you can switch by logging into our online Customer Centre at **quilter.com/login** or by sending us a switch form in the post.

A note about cash in your account

We don't take any product or service charges on your cash balance (although the value is still included in the total value calculation for the charge). Instead, we pay you a rate of interest on cash in your account and we are paid by retaining a proportion of the interest we receive from our banking partners.

You can find more information, including the current interest rate payable and how much interest we retain, on our website at **quilter.com/interest-on-cash**.

• The merger won't change the fund's risk profile. You can see more information about the new fund in its Key Investor Information document, available online at quilter.com/Santander-Asset-Management-UK Please note, it may not reflect the charges applicable when accessing the fund through us.

• Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF) / Total Expense Ratio (TER) - The OCF/TER will change with the merger.

Fund managers apply an Annual Management Charge (AMC) for the investment management they provide. This is reflected within the daily price of the fund and not taken directly from your holdings.

The OCF/TER represents the ongoing charges for the fund, expressed as a percentage. It is the sum of the AMC and all other running costs of the fund. OCF is increasingly replacing the TER.

The table below shows the current and new AMC and OCF/TER of the fund.

	AMC %	OCF/TER %
Current	0.65	0.67
New	0.57	0.79

Please note that none of the changes detailed in this letter affect any charges made by Quilter.

Will the merger cost me anything?

The costs in relation to realigning the assets of the discontinuing fund will be borne by the fund and are estimated to be approximately 0.27% of the fund value.

Why the funds are merging

Santander wish to simplify their product range to provide a streamlined proposition and improve investor understanding in terms of differentiation between their fund offering. They are of the view that the merger will reduce the complexity investors face when choosing between investment options.

You can find more information about the old and new funds overleaf.

The next steps and avoiding the merger

You do not need to take any action unless you would like to choose a new asset from our extensive range. You can switch your holding in the Santander Max 70% Shares Portfolio fund at any time up until **11:00 on 20 February 2026**. If you decide to switch into a new asset(s), please note that you will also need to update your asset choice for Direct Debit payments, if applicable.

If you have any questions about this letter, please speak to your financial adviser who will be able to help you. Alternatively, you can call or email us using the details shown and we will be happy to help. Our Customer Service Centre is open 8:30am – 5:30pm, Monday to Friday.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Client Services

Fund objectives

Current fund Santander Max 70% Shares Portfolio	New fund Santander Atlas Portfolio 5
Fund objective: To provide capital growth (to grow the value of your investment) with the potential for income over a 5+ year time horizon.	Fund objective: To provide a combination of capital growth (to grow the value of your investment) and income over a 5+ year time horizon.
The fund will also aim to outperform (after the deduction of fees) the following composite Target Benchmark measured over a rolling 3 year time period: 30% Markit iBoxx Sterling Non-Gilts Index TR, 25% MSCI UK Index TR, 12% MSCI Europe Ex UK Index TR, 10% ICE BofA UK Gilts All Stocks Index TR, 10% MSCI USA Index TR, 6% MSCI Japan Index TR, 4% Sterling Overnight Index Average (SONIA) and 3% MSCI AC Asia Pacific Ex Japan Index TR.	The fund is managed with the aim of staying within a risk profile classification (with volatility parameters) of 5 as set and monitored by an external third party risk rating company. It is not guaranteed that the fund will stay within this risk profile classification at all times.
It is expected that average outperformance for the fund will typically not be greater than 1% per annum (after the deduction of fees) in excess of the Target Benchmark measured over a rolling 3 year period, although no level of outperformance is guaranteed.	