The Index Guard Strategy

Potential for higher performance with a level of protection from large index losses.

The Index Guard Strategy may be a good choice if you are looking for a level of protection from more severe index losses, while maintaining the potential for growth opportunities. See how it works with four possible outcomes:

If the annual index return is positive, you’ll receive an annual performance credit equal to that return, up to a limit called the cap. This gives you the potential for growth opportunities.

Current caps may be different from what is represented in the examples. You may not be able to participate fully in a market recovery due to the capped upside potential in subsequent terms.

Possible Outcome 1:
If the annual index return is positive, but less than the declared cap, the annual performance credit would be equal to the index return.

Possible Outcome 2:
If the annual index return exceeds the declared cap, a performance credit equal to the cap would be applied.

If the annual index return is negative, you may receive an annual negative performance credit – but it will never be less than a specified percentage called the floor. This helps provide a level of protection by limiting any negative index returns to -10%.

Possible Outcome 3:
If the annual index return is negative, but within the -10% floor, there would be a negative performance credit equal to the index return.

Possible Outcome 4:
If the annual index return is negative and below the -10% floor, the negative performance credit would be limited to the -10% floor.

Available indexes:
- S&P 500® Index
- Russell 2000® Index
- Nasdaq-100® Index
- iShares® MSCI Emerging Markets ETF
- EURO STOXX 50®

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Important things to know:

• Caps can be different between newly issued contracts and inforce contracts, and they can be different between inforce contracts issued on different days and in different years.
• Caps can also be different for each index option.
• Caps are subject to change annually on the Term Start Date, and will never be less than the minimum cap.
• -10% floor for the currently available Index Guard Strategy Index Options cannot change.
• Amounts deducted for applicable fees and charges may result in a loss of principal or previously earned performance credits, and will not receive a performance credit on the next Term End Date.

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This hypothetical example shows conceptually how the Index Guard Strategy Index Options might work in different market index environments and assumes no change in the hypothetical cap. It does not predict or project the actual performance of the Allianz registered index-linked annuity with the Index Guard Strategy Index Options. This example does not reflect deductions for contract fees and expenses.

Although an index or indexes will affect your Index Option Values, the Index Options do not directly participate in any stock or equity investment and are not a direct investment in an index.

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