Allianz Index Advantage NF® Variable Annuity

# 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 higher performance:



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.** 



**If the annual index return is negative,** you'll receive a negative performance credit, but the negative performance credit will never be less than a specified percentage called the **floor**. This floor helps provide a level of protection by limiting time index network have a level of protection by limiting

any negative index return to -10%. Negative index returns beyond the -10% floor will not reduce your contract value.

#### **Available indexes**

- S&P 500° Index
- Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index
- Nasdaq-100<sup>®</sup> Index
- iShares<sup>®</sup> MSCI
  Emerging Markets ETF

Performance Credit %

-10%

EURO STOXX 50<sup>®</sup>

-14%

Index Return

-7%

... A LEVEL OF PROTECTION

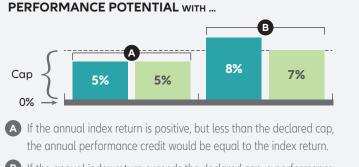
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-10% floor

## A CLOSER LOOK AT THE INDEX GUARD STRATEGY: 1-YEAR TERM



B If the annual index return exceeds the declared cap, a performance credit equal to the cap would be applied.

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

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

Current caps may be different from what is represented in the examples.

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## LOCK IN GAINS OR LIMIT LOSSES WITH THE PERFORMANCE LOCK FEATURE

- Helps reduce the impact of future market volatility
- Flexibility to capture gains or limit losses once during the term
- Available for each index option selected
- Manual or automatic options
- Ability to reset each term

### MANUAL LOCK

- Request any time during the term
- Locks in that day's Index Option Value as of market close
- Protects from any negative index performance until end of the term

## AUTOMATIC LOCK

- Set targets any time during the term
- Upper and lower targets set independently and can be done at different times
- If target is met, locks in the Index Option Value at the close of the next business day
- Redefine or remove target(s) for any unlocked index option anytime
- Protects from any negative index performance until end of term

For additional information on the Performance Lock, please refer to the product prospectus.

## **IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW:**

- If you take a partial withdrawal during a term, the withdrawn amount will not receive a performance credit on the next Term End Date.
- Floors cannot change for a contract after they are declared.
- Caps are declared on the Term Start Date, which is the first date your money has the opportunity to be allocated to an index option, and on each Term Start Date thereafter.
- Caps are subject to change annually on the Term Start Date, and will never be less than the minimum cap.
- 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 and floors can also be different for each index.

- Deductions 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.
- Index Option Values are adjusted daily (the daily adjustment) depending on a variety of factors, including the length of time until the next Term End Date, volatility of index prices, interest rates, and market performance.
- Performance Lock: Locked-in Index Option Value will be reduced by contract fees and charges for the remainder of the year. Also, by electing the Performance Lock, you will no longer participate in any potential gains (or losses) for the rest of the term.



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