



## **Target Market Statement: AXA XL**

The purpose of this document is to explain the identified target market and the expected distribution strategy for each insurance product manufactured by AXA XL. Specifically, it provides information on a product category level about the main features and optional covers associated with each product and clarifies who our products are designed for and who they are not appropriate for. This target market statement also explains the way our products should be distributed and provides information around the complexity of our products and how to ensure that a product provides fair value to our customers as intended.

## **Product Name: Professional Liability (Office Package)**

Product Type:	Commercial Lines general insurance product suitable for small and medium size business.
Who is the product designed for?	This product is designed for small and medium
	size businesses that provide professional advice/
	services (including but not limited to IT trades,
	accountants, miscellaneous industries) and have
	a turnover of less than £1m annually.
	<ul> <li>Accountants' package - This multi-line office package is specially designed for accountants.</li> <li>Information technology package - This multi-line office package is specially designed for information technology clients.</li> <li>Miscellaneous industry package - This multi-line office package is specially designed for miscellaneous industries.</li> </ul>
Who is the product not appropriate for?	Businesses domiciled outside the UK. The product is also not suitable for large commercial risk businesses.
	Professional Liability (Office Package) offers
What customer need is met by this product?	cover for civil liability arising from the
	customer's activities. Angel's multi-line office
	package products allow the customer to

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combine a Professional Liability policy with Directors and Officers, Public Liability, Employers' Liability, Office Contents and All Risks and Business Interruption all on one policy with single keying of the customer's details.

There are three versions of this product for slightly different target markets:

- Accountants package
- Information Technology package
- Miscellaneous industry package

Please note construction and architects PI products are not sold as part of a package.

Target market - are there any specific characteristics, including, customer vulnerability, that you should be aware of?

Customers under financial strain e.g., due to the impact of the economy/ cost of living crisis not able to afford premiums on an ongoing basis.

Customers who experiencing may be characteristics of vulnerability due to either personal circumstances, ill health, financial issues, life events such as bereavement, and/or external factors such as economic instability may require adjustments and flexibility to benefit from the policy. All customers are at risk of becoming vulnerable at any time. AXA XL are committed to supporting additional needs from customers. If additional support is required or a customer has been identified as vulnerable, please contact us by visiting: AXA XL's Vulnerable <u>Customers Guide & Contact Support</u>

What are the key value elements/ characteristics of the product that are important for the target market (including notable exclusions)? The product covers the following:

- Professional Liability
- Public Liability
- Employers' liability
- Material Damage
- Business Interruption
- Directors & Officers Liability

## **Exclusions**

The policy wording contains the following exclusions:

- Asbestos
- Changes in or failure to provide information.
- Known claims or circumstances.
- Punitive damages

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	<ul><li>Radioactive contamination</li><li>Terrorism</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Nuclear</li> </ul>
	• War
	There are other general, and section specific exclusions contained within the policy wording, please see the wording for more information.
Does the product include optional covers?	Free guidance, legal advice and risk management support are also provided to customers as part of the policy. Public Liability, Employers liability, Material Damage, Business Interruption and Directors & Officers Liability are also optional.
How should this product be distributed?	This product is distributed via the online quote and buy platform to around 1,000 specialist brokers.
What should distributors do to ensure the	To ensure the customer receives fair value for
product provides fair value to the end	this product, care must be taken to ensure no
customer?	duplicate cover exists or is caused by an add-on
	where that cover is already provided by the
	policy. Commission, fees, or charges passed onto the customer must be proportionate to the
	service provided and provide fair value.
How can the product be sold? Can it be sold	We would suggest that this product can be sold
without advice?	face to face or via telephone.
	This product can be sold with or without advice
	depending on your preference and in line with
How is value assessed?	FCA regulations.  AXA XL has an established a product governance
now is value assessed:	process to oversee the design, approval, and review of all our products in line with the requirements of the FCA's Product Intervention and Product Governance Sourcebook ('PROD').
	New product developments and changes to existing products are taken through a formal product approval process which is designed to:
	Identify the target market and its needs.
	Consider and review the product's
	performance metrics, product complexities,
	sales, and service risks.
	Consider and review the policy fees,
	charges, remuneration in comparison to benefits offered.
	Review policy wording and customer facing documentation to ensure it is clear, fair, and not misleading.

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	<ul> <li>Consider the needs of any vulnerable customers; and</li> <li>Monitor post-sales performance.</li> </ul>
	Once a new or amended product is introduced to the market, AXA XL will annually review the product on a fair value assessment basis, using key performance metrics to see if any remedial actions are required and to make sure it remains suitable for customers in the identified target market.
	If, as a distributor of AXA XL products, you consider one of our products may be failing to meet customers' needs or is potentially unclear you can help us by providing feedback through your usual point of contact at AXA XL.
Additional Product Literature:	This document is to be read in conjunction with the appropriate policy wording.

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