

# How to make a complaint

Mercer Super



#### **About this guide**

This guide tells you how to make a complaint should you have a problem and what we will do to help fix it.

A complaint is when:

- · You are not happy with your account or our services, and
- You ask us to help you solve the problem.

We see your complaint as a chance to help and do better.

## How to make a complaint

You can tell us about your complaint in 3 ways:



#### **Call our Helpline:**

**1800 682 525**, Monday to Friday, 8am-7pm (AEST/AEDT)



#### **Email us:**

MSALCustomer.Complaints@mercer.com



#### Write to us:

**Complaints Officer** 

Mercer Super Trust

GPO Box 4303

Melbourne VIC 3001

#### What we will do

When we receive your complaint, we will:

- Tell you we have received your complaint
- Try to fix the problem straight away
- · Ask you for more information, if required, to help us look into the problem
- Tell you in writing how long it will take to fix the problem

## How long will it take



If we cannot fix the problem straight away, we will:

- Try to fix it within 5 business days
- Tell you if we need more time
- · Give you reasons why we need additional time

If we cannot fix the problem, we will:

- Tell you why
- · See what else we can do to help you
- Tell you how to pass your complaint to AFCA (Australian Financial Complaints Authority)

#### Getting someone you trust to help you



You can ask someone you trust to make a complaint for you. They can include:

- · A close family member or friend
- Your financial adviser
- Your lawyer

You will need to give us authority in writing before we can speak with your contact person.

To do this, complete and return our Third Party Authority form, which you can <u>download here</u>.

## Help in your language



If English is not your first language, we can find someone to help you in your preferred language.

- Ask our Helpline for an interpreter when you call us on:
   1800 682 525
- Helpline is open: Monday to Friday, 8am-7pm (AEST/AEDT)

## Other support services

Accessibility support means you can get information in different ways and everyone can understand the information.



You can use the National Relay Service (NRS) for call services that help you hear or speak with us on the phone.

#### **Find more information:**

Call NRS on **1800 555 660** 

Or register at: https://www.accesshub.gov.au/about-the-nrs

How to connect with us through NRS:

- NRS Chat users, connect to NRS then ask for 1800 682 525.
- Teletypewriter (TTY) users, phone 133 677, then ask for 1800 682 525.
- Speech-to-speech relay users, phone 1300 555 727 then ask for 1800 682 525.

## If you are still not happy

If you make a complaint and are still not happy with the result, you can contact AFCA:

Website: www.afca.org.au

**Email:** info@afca.org.au

**Phone:** 1800 931 678 (free call)

Mail: Australian Financial Complaints Authority

GPO Box 3

Melbourne VIC 3001

#### **Extra support**

If you are experiencing financial difficulty, contact Helpline on **1800 682 525** and our team may be able to help you with other options.

If you are experiencing financial or elder abuse, domestic or family violence, talking to someone can make all the difference.

You can contact some of the free and confidential support services below:

- Financial Counselling Australia:
   Call 1800 007 007 or visit www.financialcounsellingaustralia.org.au
   for independent and confidential services on financial hardship issues.
- 1800 RESPECT (24 hours):
   Call 1800 737 732 or visit www.1800respect.org.au for support if you are experiencing, or are at risk of, sexual assault, elder abuse or family and domestic violence.
- Lifeline (24 hours):
   Call 13 11 14 or visit www.lifeline.org.au for support if you are going through a tough time and need to talk to someone at suicide prevention services.

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