

What Is Your Flat Market Strategy?

How the Step Rate Can Help Add Growth to a Portfolio

A Brighthouse Shield® Level Select 6-Year Annuity can offer a level of protection for a portion of your portfolio from some or all loss in a down market.¹

But what about when the market is flat or slightly up? The Step Rate option offers added certainty for those market conditions. You can elect a Step Rate with the Shield 10 level of protection.

The Step Rate credits a predetermined percentage of growth if your chosen index performance is either flat or up at the end of your term. Let's say that you selected a Shield 10 with Step Rate for a 1-year term Shield Option. If the Step Rate for the term was 6% and the index performance was 0% or positive, your performance would be 6% at the end of the term. In exchange for this added certainty, Step Rates may be lower than the Cap Rates with the same level of protection, index, and term.²

Let's see how it works

Single Purchase Payment:

Assumes \$100,000 purchase payment into a Shield annuity

Level of Protection:

Shield 10 with Step Rate

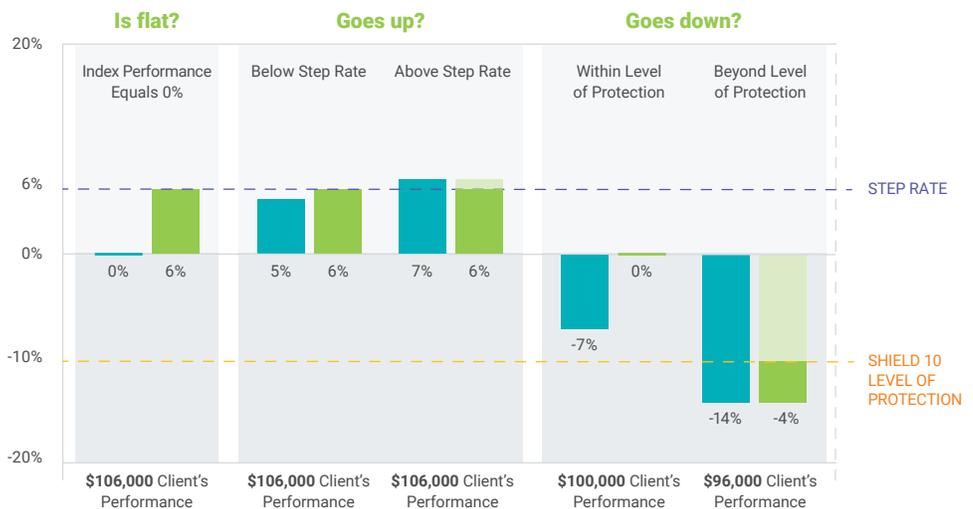
Term:

1-Year

Hypothetical Step Rate:

6%

What happens if the market:



Hypothetical example for illustrative purposes only. ■ Index Performance ■ Client's Performance

¹ Brighthouse Shield® Level Select 6-Year Annuity does not invest directly in any index. Rates are set at contract issue and are locked in for the term selected. After the initial term, renewal rates apply on the corresponding contract anniversary for the new term.

² Please visit brighthousefinancial.com/shieldrates for current rates, which generally update on the 1st and 15th of every month.

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- NOT A DEPOSIT OR OTHER OBLIGATION OF, OR GUARANTEED BY, THE BANK OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES
- SUBJECT TO INVESTMENT RISKS, INCLUDING POSSIBLE LOSS OF THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT INVESTED

Step Rate Option Available for Brighthouse Shield® Level Select 6-Year Annuity

1-Year Term Shield 10

If you want to:

- Know exactly what your potential earnings could be
- Guarantee growth in a flat or low-earning market
- Lock in predictable growth for a portion of your retirement assets when the market is flat or up
- Have added protection from some or all market decline

Talk to your financial professional about a Shield annuity with the Step Rate option or visit brighthousefinancial.com to learn more.

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