

# PRODUCT, DESIGN AND DISTRIBUTION POLICY

This Policy sets out Coast Insurance's approach to developing and distributing retail insurance products for each agency that deals in a retail product for their Target Market Determination – TMD.

A Targe Market Determination (TMD) is a written document that describes the class of consumers that comprises the target market for a financial product and matters relevant to the product's distribution and review.

### **Our Commitment**

We take a consumer-centric approach in our design and distribution obligations to help consumers obtain appropriate financial products. We support the General Insurance Code of Practice (the "Code") and our employees are trained to understand and comply with the Code.

## **Product Design**

We have a product design and review system which includes an initial assessment of whether a financial product has been designed to be consistent with the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of the class of consumers in the target market for whom the product in intended. This includes a description of each product, including their key attributes and why it is suitable for the chosen target market.

Each agency will ensure the insurer has reviewed and agreed to the agencies TMD Product Distribution.

For retail products where the design and distribution obligations apply, we make all target market determinations (TMDs) publicly available and free of charge.

We take reasonable steps to ensure that distribution of the product is consistent with the TMD and specify restrictions and conditions to prevent the product from reaching someone outside the TMD.

#### **Product Distribution**

Our distribution strategy and channels are designed to ensure that our products reach consumers within the relevant target market.

We have frameworks, controls and processes in place to ensure that our sales staff and external product distributors are adequately trained and competent and act professionally, honestly and fairly at all times when arranging insurance. These include procedures that require point of sale consideration of a target market, and prohibit sales to consumers outside it.

### Our Target Market Determinations

We have published a series of Target Market Determinations (TMDs) in relation to the retail products we distribute. These can be accessed on our website <u>here</u>..

A TMD describes the class of consumers that comprises the target market for relevant products, and certain matters relevant to their distribution and review.



A TMD does not form part of the terms of a product and any information or examples given in it are not a complete list of eligibility. Product features, benefits, terms, conditions and exclusions are set out in the relevant Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) and any other policy documents issued to you. Read the relevant PDS before making any decisions about a product.

#### Governance

We require robust testing of TMD's with new existing products. For existing products, we have processes and controls to periodically monitor and review our product design and distribution to ensure they are still effective. Our governance controls are designed to reduce the risk that financial products will not be consistent with the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of the consumers who acquire them.

If we identify that a financial product is not consistent with the product's TMD we will:

- Set distribution conditions and restrictions in line with the identified narrower target market;
- Consider modifying the design of the product; or
- Cease offering the product

We will report significant dealings inconsistent with the products TMD, to ASIC.