Why Conduct a Target Date Fund Suitability Study for Your Plan?



Are you looking for innovative ways to add value to your client?

Are you devoting 88% of your time to Target Date Funds?*

*It is projected that 88% of new retirement plan contributions will be invested in TDFs



Benefits to Investment Advisor

- 1. Adopt best practices for TDF selection that differentiate you
- 2. Upgraded service level for clients; Research using data science
- 3. 10-factor participant analysis to determine most appropriate risk
- 4. Uses behavioral finance to factor in participants' fear of losses
- 5. Risk research of 150+ TDF suites based on 12 quantitative metrics



Additional Benefits to Plan Sponsor/Committee

- 1. Enhanced process to better document QDIA TDF selection process
- 2. Improves participants retirement outcomes & reduces stress
- 3. More confidence in risk that participants are taking through QDIA
- 4. Provides committee comfort; Boosts participation & contributions

Classet Target Date Funds Suitability Study & Selection

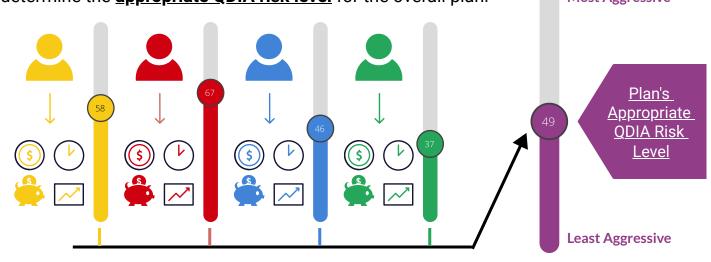




Step 1: Find Most Appropriate QDIA Risk Level for Participants & Plan

Classet uses <u>real participant data</u> acquired from the recordkeeper to study each participant and determine what the appropriate risk level is for them. This data is rolled up to determine the <u>appropriate QDIA risk level</u> for the overall plan.

Most Aggressive



Step 2: Match TDF Suites' Risk with Plan's Appropriate Risk Level

The plan's appropriate

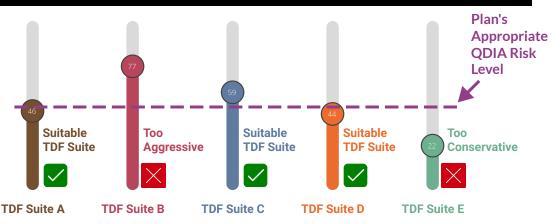
QDIA risk level is

compared with the risk

levels of 150+ TDF suites

to find options that match

the same risk level.



Step 3: Evaluation & Selection of Suitable TDFs (Optional)

The TDF suites appropriate for the plan and its participants' risk levels are evaluated and compared based on various **qualitative & quantitative metrics**.

This provides the insights needed to choose the best TDF suite for the plan.

TDF Suite A

TDF Suite C

TDF Suite D









