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# **Key Investor Information**

This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

# Schroder Strategic Bond Fund

# an Authorised Unit Trust of Schroder Unit Trusts Limited

# Class Z Accumulation GBP (GB00B7FPS593)

This fund is managed by Schroder Unit Trusts Limited, which is a member of the Schroders Group.

## Objectives and investment policy

#### Objectives

The fund aims to provide income and capital growth of between 2.5% and 4.5% per annum (after fees have been deducted) over a 3 to 5 year period by investing in bonds issued by governments, government agencies, supranationals and companies worldwide. This cannot be guaranteed and your capital is at risk.

#### **Investment policy**

The fund is actively managed and invests at least 80% of its assets in fixed and floating rate securities denominated in sterling (or in other currencies and hedged back into sterling) issued by governments, government agencies, supra-national and corporate issuers worldwide.

The fund may invest up to 40% of its assets in asset backed securities and mortgage backed securities.

The fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in contingent convertible securities.

The fund may invest up to 50% of its assets in below investment grade securities as measured by Standard & Poor's or an equivalent credit rating agency, or in unrated securities.

The fund may also invest directly or indirectly in other securities (including in other asset classes), countries, regions, industries or currencies, collective investment schemes (including Schroder funds), warrants and money market instruments, and hold cash.

The fund may use derivatives with the aim of achieving investment gains, reducing risk or managing the fund more efficiently(for more information please refer to section 6 of Appendix I of the Prospectus).

#### **Benchmark**

The fund's performance should be assessed against the income and capital growth target of between 2.5% and 4.5%, and compared against the Bloomberg Multiverse ex treasuries A+-B- GBP hedged and the Investment Association Strategic Bond sector average.

#### **Dealing frequency**

You may redeem your investment upon demand. This fund deals daily.

### **Distribution policy**

This unit class accumulates income received from the fund's investments, meaning it is kept in the fund and its value is reflected in the price of the unit class.

# Risk and reward profile

#### Lower risk

Potentially lower reward

**Higher risk** 

Potentially higher reward

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### The risk and reward indicator

The risk category is based upon the fund's risk target and there is no guarantee that the fund will achieve it.

The fund's risk category is not guaranteed to remain fixed and may change over time.

A fund in the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.

The fund is in this category because it can take higher risks in search of higher rewards and its price may rise and fall accordingly.

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#### **Risk factors**

ABS and MBS risk: The fund may invest in mortgage or asset-backed securities. The underlying borrowers of these securities may not be able to pay back the full amount that they owe, which may result in losses to the fund. Contingent convertible bonds: The fund may invest in contingent convertible

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Performance risk: Investment objectives express an intended result but there is no guarantee that such a result will be achieved. Depending on market

conditions and the macro economic environment, investment objectives may become more difficult to achieve.

Credit risk: A decline in the financial health of an issuer could cause the value of its bonds to fall or become worthless.

Currency risk: The fund may lose value as a result of movements in foreign exchange rates, otherwise known as currency rates.

Derivatives risk: Derivatives, which are financial instruments deriving their value from an underlying asset, may be used to manage the portfolio efficiently. The fund may also materially invest in derivatives including using short selling and leverage techniques with the aim of making a return. A derivative may not perform as expected, may create losses greater than the cost of the derivative and may result in losses to the fund.

High yield bond risk: High yield bonds (normally lower rated or unrated) generally carry greater market, credit and liquidity risk meaning greater uncertainty of returns.

Interest rate risk: The fund may lose value as a direct result of interest rate changes.

Liquidity risk: In difficult market conditions, the fund may not be able to sell a security for full value or at all. This could affect performance and could cause the fund to defer or suspend redemptions of its shares, meaning investors may not be able to have immediate access to their holdings.

Operational risk: Operational processes, including those related to the safekeeping of assets, may fail. This may result in losses to the fund.

## Charges

One-off charges taken before or after you inv	est
Entry charge	

Exit charge None

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested or before the proceeds of your investment are paid out.

#### Charges taken from the fund over a year

Ongoing charges

0.65%

None

Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions

#### Performance fee

None

growth of your investment.

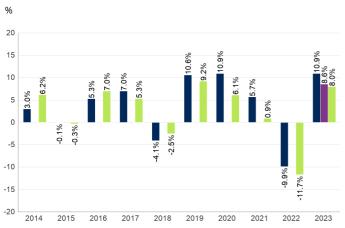
The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures and in some cases you might pay less. You can find out the actual entry and exit charges from your financial advisor.

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last year's expenses for the year ending December 2023 and may vary from year to year. The ongoing charge figure excludes portfolio transaction costs. The charges are mostly, if not exclusively, the Schroders Annual Charge (as may be discounted for retail unit classes depending on the size of the fund) but certain additional expenses may be charged as set out in the prospectus. The Schroders Annual Charge (without any discount) for this unit class of the fund is 0.65%. The fund's annual report for each financial year will include details on the exact charges made including any discounts

Please see the prospectus for more details about the charges.

# Past performance



Past performance is not a guide to future performance and may not be repeated. The value of investments may go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

The chart shows performance in British pound after the ongoing charges and the portfolio transaction costs have been paid.

The fund was launched on 27/03/2012.

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Please note that the fund's investment policy and benchmark were changed on 18 September 2023. The past performance in the above table is based on the fund's investment policy and benchmark (comparator benchmark: Investment Association Strategic Bond sector average) in place prior to this date. Going forward, this table will show past performance from this date based on the new investment policy and benchmarks (comparator benchmark: Bloomberg Multiverse ex treasuries A+-B- GBP hedged) (comparator benchmark: Investment Association Strategic Bond sector average).

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Bloomberg Multiverse ex treasuries A+-B- GBP hedged Investment Association Strategic Bond sector average

## Practical information

Trustee: J. P. Morgan Europe Ltd.

Further Information: You can get further information about this fund, including the prospectus, latest annual report, any subsequent half-yearly reports and the latest price of units from www.schroders.com/ukinvestor and from Schroders, PO Box 1402, Sunderland, SR43 4AF, England, telephone 0800 182 2399. They are in English, free of charge

Tax Legislation: The fund is subject to UK tax legislation which may have an impact on your personal tax position.

Liability: Schroder Unit Trusts Ltd may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or

inconsistent with the relevant parts of the fund's prospectus.

Switches: Subject to conditions, you may apply to switch your investment into another unit class within this fund or in another Schroder fund. Please see the prospectus for more details.

Glossary: You can find an explanation of some of the terms used in this document at www.schroders.com/ukinvestor/glossary.

Benchmark: The target benchmark has been selected because it is representative of the type of investments in which the fund is likely to invest, and it is, therefore, an appropriate target in relation to the return that the fund aims to provide. The comparator benchmark has been selected because the investment manager believes that this benchmark is a suitable comparison for performance purposes given the fund's investment objective.