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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 Sterling Corporate Bond Fund

a sub-fund of Schroder Investment Fund Company

Class Z Income GBP (GB00B7458508)

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

# Objectives and investment policy

The fund aims to provide income and capital growth in excess of the Bank of America Merrill Lynch Sterling Corporate & Collateralised (Gross Total Return) index (after fees have been deducted) over a 3 to 5 year period by investing in bonds issued by UK companies and companies worldwide.

#### **Investment Policy**

The fund is actively managed and invests at least 80% of its assets in bonds denominated in sterling (or in other currencies and hedged back into sterling) and issued by UK companies and companies worldwide.

The fund may also invest in bonds issued by governments, government agencies, and supra-nationals.

The fund may invest up to 20% of its assets in below investment grade securities (as measured by Standard & Poor's or any other equivalent credit rating agencies) 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. The fund may use leverage and take short positions.

The fund's performance should be assessed against its target benchmark, being to exceed the Bank of America Merrill Lynch Sterling Corporate & Collateralised (Gross Total Return) Index, and compared against the Investment Association Sterling Corporate Bond sector average return. The investment manager invests on a discretionary basis and is not limited to investing in accordance with the composition of the benchmark.

#### **Dealing Frequency**

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

### **Distribution Policy**

This share class pays income received from the fund's investments to you quarterly

# Risk and reward profile

### Lower risk

Potentially lower reward

Higher risk

Potentially higher reward

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# The risk and reward indicator

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The risk category was calculated using historical performance data and may not be a reliable indicator of the fund's future risk profile.

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

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.

### Risk factors

Performance risk: Investment objectives express an intended result but there is no quarantee 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 invest	
Entry charge	None
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

0.62%

Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions

#### Performance fee

None

share 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 share class of the fund is 0.62%. The fund's annual report for each financial year will include details on the exact

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 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

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

charges made including any discounts. Please see the prospectus for more details about the charges.

# Past performance



Performance achieved between 2009 and 2014 was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply. The fund name and charges changed on

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Bank of America Merrill Lynch Sterling Corporate & Collateralised (Gross Total Return) Index

Investment Association Sterling Corporate Bond sector average

Performance achieved during this period was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply. The fund name and objective and investment policy changed on 2 October 2017.

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 02/07/1999.

growth of your investment.

your financial advisor.

The shareclass was launched on 11/05/2012.

Performance figures are only available since the launch of the respective share class.

## Practical information

Depository: 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.

Umbrella fund: This fund is a sub-fund of an umbrella fund, the name of which is at the top of this document. The prospectus and periodic reports are prepared for the entire umbrella fund. To protect investors, the assets and liabilities of each sub-fund are segregated by law from those of other subSwitches: Subject to conditions, you may apply to switch your investment into another share class within this fund or in another Schroder fund. Please see the prospectus for more details.

Remuneration policy: A summary of Schroders' remuneration policy and related disclosures is at www.schroders.com/remuneration-disclosures. A paper copy is available free of charge upon request.

The policy includes a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated & the identities of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits.

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 and the manager believes that the benchmark is a suitable comparison for performance purposes given the fund's investment objective and policy.

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