

## Additional explanation of fees and costs

### Defined fees

Type of fee or cost	Definition
Activity fees	<p>A fee is an <b>activity fee</b> if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) the fee relates to costs incurred by the trustee of the superannuation entity that are directly related to an activity of the trustee:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) that is engaged in at the request, or with the consent, of a member; or</li><li>(ii) that relates to a member and is required by law; and</li></ul></li><li>(b) those costs are not otherwise charged as an administration fee, an investment fee, a buy/sell spread, a switching fee, an exit fee, an advice fee or an insurance fee.</li></ul>
Administration fees	<p>An <b>administration fee</b> is a fee that relates to the administration or operation of the superannuation entity and includes costs incurred by the trustee of the entity that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) relate to the administration or operation of the entity; and</li><li>(b) are not otherwise charged as an investment fee, a buy/sell spread, a switching fee, an exit fee, an activity fee, an advice fee or an insurance fee.</li></ul>
Advice fees	<p>A fee is an <b>advice fee</b> if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) the fee relates directly to costs incurred by the trustee of the superannuation entity because of the provision of financial product advice to a member by:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) a trustee of the entity; or</li><li>(ii) another person acting as an employee of, or under an arrangement with, the trustee of the entity; and</li></ul></li><li>(b) those costs are not otherwise charged as an administration fee, an investment fee, a switching fee, an exit fee, an activity fee or an insurance fee.</li></ul>
Buy/sell spreads	<p>A <b>buy/sell spread</b> is a fee to recover transaction costs incurred by the trustee of the superannuation entity in relation to the sale and purchase of assets of the entity.</p>
Exit fees	<p>An <b>exit fee</b> is a fee to recover the costs of disposing of all or part of members' interests in the superannuation entity.</p>
Indirect cost ratio	<p>The <b>indirect cost ratio (ICR)</b> for a MySuper product or an investment option offered by a superannuation entity, is the ratio of the total of the indirect costs for the MySuper product or investment option, to the total average net assets of the superannuation entity attributed to the MySuper product or investment option.</p> <p>Note: A dollar-based fee deducted directly from a member's account is not included in the indirect cost ratio.</p>
Investment fees	<p>An <b>investment fee</b> is a fee that relates to the investment of the assets of a superannuation entity and includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) fees in payment for the exercise of care and expertise in the investment of those assets (including performance fees); and</li><li>(b) costs incurred by the trustee of the entity that:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) relate to the investment of assets of the entity; and</li><li>(ii) are not otherwise charged as an administration fee, a buy/sell spread, a switching fee, an exit fee, an activity fee, an advice fee or an insurance fee.</li></ul></li></ul>
Switching fees	<p>A <b>switching fee</b> is a fee to recover the costs of switching all or part of a member's interest in the superannuation entity from one class of beneficial interest in the entity to another.</p>