

Shift strategy: a twist on dual direction

Shifting your zero provides built-in protection while having an opportunity at potential upside.

Turn moderate market declines into positive returns

How it works

The shift helps address a common dilemma that puts financial professionals in an impossible position: clients who can't afford to lose money but won't accept a cap on growth. Rather than forcing a choice between protection and unlimited upside, the shift strategy targets the real source of client anxiety – the routine market setbacks that derail long-term strategies.

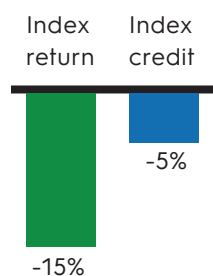
Most client fear isn't about catastrophic crashes, rather the frequent -5% to -15% years that make them question their investment approach. The shift helps reduce common swings while preserving participation in meaningful bull markets.

This gives you a behaviorally intelligent solution to offer clients who want enough protection to stay invested but enough upside potential to feel truly positioned for growth. You're offering protection designed around how markets typically behave and how clients often times react.

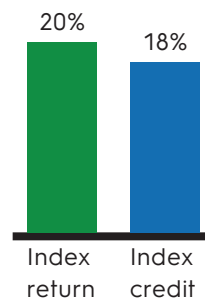
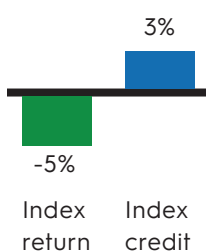
The calculation is straightforward: add 10% to the index return, then multiply by a stated participation rate (60% in the examples below).

Hypothetical index scenarios

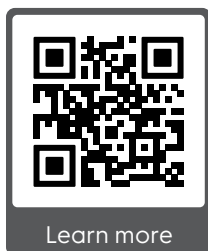
In a year in which a negative index return is **less than the 10% Shift**, it will reduce potential loss by the full amount of the Shift Rate.



In a year in which a negative index return is **greater than the 10% Shift**, the portion of the adjusted return above zero is adjusted by the participation rate.



In a year in which a index return is **positive**, the Shift will increase the return by 10%, and then that amount is adjusted by the participation rate.



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