



Target Market Statement: AXA XL

The purpose of this document is to explain the identified target market and the expected distribution strategy for each insurance product manufactured by AXA XL. Specifically, it provides information on a product category level about the main features and optional covers associated with each product and clarifies who our products are designed for and who they are not appropriate for. This target market statement also explains the way our products should be distributed and provides information around the complexity of our products and how to ensure that a product provides fair value to our customers as intended.

Product Name: Equine

Product Type:	Commercial Lines general insurance product
	suitable for consumers and SME business.
Who is the product designed for?	
Who is the product designed for?	Binder business is typically lower value animals
	(higher % of consumers), with Open Market being
	high value animals (higher % of
	micro/medium/large commercial). Both binder
	and open market can include a range of Sport
	Horse owners (from recreational to 4 Star
	Eventing (the higher level, valuing the horses at
	\$1m+), Racehorse owners and breeders, Stud
	Farms and Syndicates.
Who is the product not appropriate for?	This product is not appropriate for domestic pet
	owners e.g., cats and dogs.
What customer need is met by this product?	This product provides cover for risks located with
	experienced personnel with access to good
	veterinary support facilities, risk relating to
	racing and breeding sport horses and any
	western uses. Finally, this product is provided for
	risk relating equestrian package business.
Target market - are there any specific	Individuals or companies under financial strain
characteristics, including, customer	may not be able to afford premiums on an
vulnerability, that you should be aware of?	ongoing basis.

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Customers who be experiencing may characteristics of vulnerability due to either personal circumstances, ill health, financial issues, life events such as bereavement, and/or external factors such as economic instability may require adjustments and flexibility to benefit from the policy. All customers are at risk of becoming vulnerable at any time. AXA XL are committed to supporting additional needs from customers. If additional support is required or a customer has been identified as vulnerable, please contact us by visiting: AXA XL's Vulnerable **Customers Guide & Contact Support**

What are the key value elements/ characteristics of the product that are important for the target market (including notable exclusions)? The Equine product covers the death or humane destruction of the horse during the period of the insurance contract or within 90 days after the expiry of the contract. The insured incidents need to be first occurring and manifesting during the contacted period, subject to written notice. The insured would be indemnified in respect of the fair market value of the horse within the limit of the underwriters' liability specified in the schedule. This policy also covers theft as well as death or humane destruction of the horse directly resulting from the theft of the horse.

Exclusions include:

- 1. When the horse is subject to quarantine due to a disease, the policy does not cover death, intentional slaughter, or humane destruction of the horse directly or indirectly attributable to said disease.
- 2. This policy does not cover intentional slaughter of the horse, unless the Underwriters agreed to the destruction of the horse; in the situation in Exclusion 1; destroyed by an authority because the horse was uncontrollable and have been a danger to the safety of an aircraft, crew, passengers, or cargo.
- 3. Death or humane destruction directly or indirectly related to: surgical operation unless conducted by a vet; medication unless given by a vet; malicious acts or failure to provide proper care by anyone has care, custody, or control of



	the horse; use of horse for purposes not specified
	in the schedule.
	4. Death or humane destruction directly or
	indirectly related to: nuclear reaction or
	radiation; government/authority confiscation or
	nationalisation; events including wars,
	hostilities, domestic conflicts etc; cyber
	incidents.
	5. Loss directly or indirectly arising from
	unexplained disappearance, escape of voluntary
	parting of possession of or title to the horse
	because of the insured or other persons who
	have care, custody, or control of the horse, being
	induced by fraud, trickery, or similar false
	pretences.
Does the product include optional covers?	Additional cover can be bought for other perils-:
	e.g., Infertility cover, Veterinary Fees and Unborn
	Foal.
How should this product be distributed?	The product is distributed via DUA and Open
	Market.
What should distributors do to ensure the	To ensure the customer receives fair value for
product provides fair value to the end	this product, care must be taken to ensure no
customer?	duplicate cover exists or is caused by an add-on
	where that cover is already provided by the
	policy. Commission, fees, or charges passed onto
	the customer must be proportionate to the
	service provided and provide fair value.
	Distributors to have clear practices in place to
	ensure the prevention of any sales outside the
	intended target market.
How can the product be sold? Can it be sold	We would suggest that this product can be sold
without advice?	face to face or via telephone.
	This product can be sold with or without advice
	depending on your preference and in line with
	FCA regulations.
How is value assessed?	AXA XL has an established product governance
	process to oversee the design, approval, and
	review of all our products in line with the
	requirements of the FCA's Product Intervention
	and Product Governance Sourcebook ('PROD').
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New product developments and changes to existing products are taken through a formal product approval process which is designed to: • Identify the target market and its needs. • Consider and review the product's performance metrics, product complexities, sales, and service risks • Consider and review the policy fees, charges, remuneration in comparison to benefits offered · Review policy wording and customer facing documentation to ensure it is clear, fair, and not misleading •Consider the needs of any vulnerable customers; and • Monitor post-sales performance. Once a new or amended product is introduced to the market, AXA XL will annually review the product on a fair value assessment basis, using key performance metrics to see if any remedial actions are required and to make sure it remains suitable for customers in the identified target market. If, as a distributor of AXA XL products, you consider one of our products may be failing to meet customers' needs or is potentially unclear you can help us by providing feedback through your usual point of contact at AXA XL. **Additional Product Literature:** This document is to be read in conjunction with the appropriate policy wording.