



# **Investing in gold bullion within your Active Money SIPP**



**Our Active Money SIPP offers a wide choice of specialist investments for SIPP investors.**

**Now we've added gold bullion to the range.**

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# Investing in gold bullion through your Self Invested Personal Pension (SIPP)

Investment flexibility and choice is what helps make SIPPs a popular choice with people looking to fund for their retirement. We offer the facility to include gold bullion in our SIPP adding further to investment choice. This guide explains what you need to do to set up an account to start trading gold bullion in your SIPP. We recommend that you seek financial advice before doing so.

Please remember that the value of gold can fall as well as rise and you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

## Why invest through Active Money SIPP?

We are the UK's leading SIPP provider for assets under administration with over 100,000 customers.

Our customer service is widely recognised as being amongst the best in the business. SIPPs can be complex to administer and it is important to be with a provider who has the necessary customer service expertise.

Our SIPP offers a wide choice of investments giving you the freedom to build a portfolio that matches your investment goals.

## Standard Life's role

We are the manager, administrator and trustee of the Self Invested Personal Pension. We administer the SIPP on your behalf and you decide which SIPP permitted investments to invest in – that's where the 'self invested' part of the name comes from.

When you invest in gold through your Standard Life SIPP, please remember that we are not responsible for any losses you may incur, either through a fall in the value of gold, or a third party failing in their responsibilities.

# Introducing GoldMoney



To enable you to buy and sell gold within a SIPP, we have selected a company called GoldMoney. GoldMoney are essentially a ‘gold broker’ and also manage the secure storage of physical gold. You deal directly with them just as you would deal with a ‘stock broker’ when you buy and sell shares within your SIPP. It’s that simple.

Since 2001, thousands of individuals and companies have used GoldMoney to buy gold. GoldMoney was founded by gold industry professionals.

GoldMoney’s main office is located in Jersey. GoldMoney has established a robust governance policy and audit trail to protect the precious metals it buys for its customers. They are regulated by the Jersey Financial Services Commission. They hold Standard Life SIPP customers’ gold in secure storage facilities in London.

## **You own the gold within your SIPP**

When you purchase gold through your GoldMoney account, GoldMoney records that the gold is owned by Standard Life Trustee Company Limited (SLTC). As for any other investment within your SIPP, SLTC is acting as a trustee in relation to your SIPP.

GoldMoney is not a ‘paper gold’ product, such as an Exchange Traded Fund. With GoldMoney, there are gold bars within a secure vault that are held for GoldMoney customers. There are regular independent audits to confirm that GoldMoney’s record of the gold owned by its customers, in the form of grams of gold or “goldgrams”, is the same as the physical gold held in the vaults. You do not have ‘personal’ access to the vaults.

## **You can buy and sell gold online easily**

You directly buy and sell the gold yourself through GoldMoney. GoldMoney have a tried and tested process. You can do it all online when it suits you.

# How to set up a trading account

## Step

1

### Tell us you wish to open a GoldMoney account

If you decide you want to invest in gold as part of your Active Money SIPP, call or email our SIPP Specialist Investment Team and we will set up an account with GoldMoney for you. We will transfer cash from your SIPP to GoldMoney to fund your account when requested. Alternatively, your financial adviser can contact our team on your behalf and set up an account.



**0845 0845 000**



**sippserv\_trades@standardlife.com**

## Step

2

**You will receive an email from GoldMoney confirming your account has been set up and advising how to login to their website.**

## Step

3

**You will receive a further email from GoldMoney to inform you that they have received your cash and have added it to your account.**

## Step

4

**You complete the login and security formalities and start trading - That's it.**

GoldMoney's website explains all you need to know on how to trade.

**[www.goldmoney.com/help-buying](http://www.goldmoney.com/help-buying)**

**[www.goldmoney.com/help-selling](http://www.goldmoney.com/help-selling)**

## Step

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### Keeping you informed

- ▶ You will receive a confirmation email from GoldMoney every time you buy or sell gold
- ▶ Your gold holding is shown on your SIPP account with GoldMoney
- ▶ Standard Life will update the value monthly on your SIPP account. The value displayed will include the value of the gold held in your account plus any cash
- ▶ You can get real time valuations by logging onto your GoldMoney account through your GoldMoney log in
- ▶ The valuation details the number of gold grams held and the cash balance of your GoldMoney account
- ▶ You can also view full details of all historical trades and transactions that have taken place on your GoldMoney account.
- ▶ If you want to transfer cash from your GoldMoney account back into your SIPP, just tell us and we will do this for you.

If you asked your financial adviser to set up your GoldMoney account for you, they will be able to view your account. They cannot trade on your behalf though. Only you can make trades.

# General rules for trading gold

## Buy and sell gold easily

You can buy and sell gold within your SIPP just as easily as stocks and shares. GoldMoney have some general rules you should be aware of though. We explain them here.

You can buy or sell a total of 2,000 grams of gold in one Business Day and receive a Confirmed Price. A Confirmed Price means that GoldMoney “locks” the price at which you buy or sell, using the **Current Spot Rate (see below)** to determine the Gold Buy Price or the Gold Sell Price. The same limit applies separately to buy and sell orders, so for example, you can buy 2,000 grams of gold at a “locked” rate, and then also sell 2,000 grams of gold within the same Business Day at a “locked” rate. Note that the 2,000 gram daily limit may be changed by GoldMoney due to market conditions.

If any one order or aggregate of orders placed during one Business Day exceeds the daily limit, you will be notified during the order process. You will be given the choice of cancelling the order, or proceeding with the order without locking the rate. If you choose to proceed, the order will be executed at the next available **London PM Gold Fix (see below)**, and the Gold Buy or Sell Price will be determined by that fixing price.

## The Current Spot Rate

The Current Spot Rate is the spot price of gold as shown on [www.goldmoney.com](http://www.goldmoney.com) which is updated every minute throughout the trading day and after hours when other gold trading markets such as New York are open.

## The London PM Gold Fix

The London PM Gold Fix is the gold price set by members of the London Gold Fixing at approximately 3:00 pm London time of each Business Day. More information about the Fixing process is available from the London Bullion Market Association – [www.lbma.org.uk](http://www.lbma.org.uk). Any orders that exceed the Confirmed Price transaction limit must be received by GoldMoney at least 30 minutes before the next London PM Gold Fix time to be sure of being processed at the price determined at that Fixing.

A Business Day is defined as the period of time that elapses from 30 minutes before one London PM Gold Fix to 30 minutes before the next. This is 24 hours during a normal trading week, but will be 72 hours over a normal weekend, or longer if there is a UK bank holiday.

## How the gold price is set

The Gold Buy Price is the price you pay to buy gold from GoldMoney. It is calculated as the sum of:

- ▶ either the Current Spot Rate or the next available London PM Gold Fix;
- and,
- ▶ GoldMoney’s Purchase Fee (see page 5).

The Gold Sell Price is the price at which you can sell gold back to GoldMoney. During normal market conditions, it is either the Current Spot Rate or the London PM Gold Fix. GoldMoney may charge a fee for executing your sell order during extreme market conditions. If a fee is to be charged, you will be given details of the amount of the fee before you commit to the sale thus giving you the choice whether or not to proceed.

This structure is similar to trading stocks and shares.

GoldMoney’s website [www.goldmoney.com](http://www.goldmoney.com) is well worth a visit. It explains what you need to know to trade. It also contains topical articles and general information about gold.

# What charges will I pay?

## 1. Standard Life SIPP administration charge

Investment in gold is classified as an external SIPP investment. Standard Life's standard administration charges for external investments therefore apply. See our Active Money SIPP charges and discounts guide SLSIP20 for details.

If you are investing through our Wrap SIPP, the guide reference code is WLSIP1.

## 2. Fees charged by GoldMoney

### Purchase Fee

Standard Life and GoldMoney have agreed a preferential Purchase Fee (the equivalent of a stock broker's commission) which is dependent on the total value of each purchase as set out in the table below. The Purchase Fee percentage is applied to either the Current Spot Price or the London PM Gold Fix depending on the quantity bought.

Total Value of Purchase	Purchase Fee %
£1 to £5,999	1.92
£6,000 to £59,999	1.88
£60,000 to £299,999	1.32
£300,000 to £599,999	1.13
£600,000 and greater	1.04

GoldMoney does not normally charge any fees for executing sell orders but may do so during extreme market conditions. If a fee is to be charged, you will be given details of the amount of the fee before you commit to the sale thus giving you the choice whether or not to proceed.

### Making it easy for you

Investing in gold bullion through your SIPP is as simple as trading stocks and shares. Anyone with a SIPP can invest in gold bullion.

- ▶ Easy to deal in
- ▶ Expert service from Standard Life and GoldMoney
- ▶ All wrapped up in an award winning SIPP

### Storage Fee

GoldMoney charges a preferential Storage Fee of 0.15% a year of the average value of gold held in the member's account with GoldMoney. The Storage Fee is deducted directly from the holding of gold on a pro-rata monthly basis. The Storage Fee includes all the costs of storage and insurance of the gold.

Please note that GoldMoney may increase their charges in the future.

### Cash held within GoldMoney account

Any cash balance held in your account does not earn any interest. Your account is not designed to hold cash for any length of time.

Fees charged by GoldMoney are not subject to VAT as GoldMoney are based in the Channel Islands.

### Further information

#### Risks

Gold bullion is an unregulated investment. Therefore, there is no investor protection. Your gold is ring fenced from the assets of GoldMoney, therefore if GoldMoney were to go out of business, their creditors would have no call on your gold. In addition, your gold is ring fenced again within the SIPP as the SIPP holds your gold under trust through SLTC.

Please remember that Standard Life is not responsible for your money in the event that GoldMoney defaults on its responsibilities to you.

## Find out more

For more information on investing in gold within your Active Money SIPP, please speak to your financial adviser.

**Call us on 0845 0845 000**

We're open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. This isn't a free number so call charges may vary. We might record or monitor your call to make sure you get the best service.

**[www.adviserzone.com/sippinvestments](http://www.adviserzone.com/sippinvestments)**

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