

# It's time to take a second look at the Enhanced Protection dividend option.

Read on to see how selecting the Enhanced Protection dividend option with 10-Pay Equimax Estate Builder® can provide a higher initial death benefit to cover loans or other obligations – plus, guarantees² a 10-year paid-up plan!

### Do these situations seem familiar?

- Do you have clients who need a permanent plan with no out-of-pocket premiums payable after 10 years?
- Would you typically show a 20-Pay or Life Pay solution with premium offset<sup>3</sup> to illustrate a 10-Pay plan?
- Would you typically use the paid-up additions (PUA) dividend option to illustrate a more favourable premium offset<sup>3</sup> for the different dividend scale assumptions?
- Do you worry that premium offset<sup>3</sup> is not guaranteed, and the client might need to make premium payments beyond the 10-years illustrated?
- Do you have clients who need a long-term permanent insurance solution for estate needs, but also would appreciate having some extra initial coverage for outstanding loans or other obligations?

If they do, it might be time to take a second look at the Enhanced Protection dividend option with a 10-pay Equimax Estate Builder plan.

- With Enhanced Protection, clients can get a significantly higher initial death benefit (DB) compared to the PUA dividend option. This extra protection can be positioned to cover any loans or other financial obligations clients may have during the initial policy years.
- With the Enhanced Protection dividend option, clients get a Lifetime Enhancement Guarantee<sup>4</sup> on the amount of one-year term insurance. This means the enhancement amount is guaranteed<sup>4</sup> even if dividends<sup>1</sup> are not sufficient to purchase the needed one-year term insurance.
- The 10-pay premium option offered with Equimax Estate Builder means a guaranteed<sup>2</sup> paid-up plan, with NO additional out-of-pocket premiums after 10 years<sup>2</sup>.
- Unlike using premium offset<sup>3</sup>, you can be certain that your client won't need to pay more after 10 years of premium payments<sup>2</sup>.

# Why should you think about Enhanced Protection with a 10-Pay Equimax Estate Builder plan for your clients?

Consider Amy, age 45, self-employed and looking to implement a long-range estate plan and fund it over the next ten years. Her goal is to create a fully paid-up 10-year plan that will cover all her last expenses and estate preservation needs. Amy also has a couple of business loans and could benefit from a bit more insurance coverage during the next few years.

Comparing the Enhanced Protection vs. Paid-up Additions (PUA) dividend<sup>1</sup> option scenarios for a 10-pay Equimax Estate Builder plan with her advisor, Amy sees that the Enhanced Protection option could provide her with a much higher initial guaranteed<sup>4</sup> coverage amount, with only a minimal reduction in benefit value<sup>5</sup> in later years.

#### Illustrated Death Benefit<sup>5</sup>

Age	PUA (Current)	Enhanced (Current)	PUA (Current Less 1%)	Enhanced (Current Less 1%)
45 (At Issue)	448,591	715,951	448,591	715,951
65	865,775	856,554	734,432	722,311
85	1,726,374	1,710,122	1,230,518	1,212,914
95	2,395,063	2,373,294	1,571,454	1,550,051

Illustrated death benefit values at current and current less 1% dividend scale assuming a \$25,000 annual premium for each option 1.5. As Amy ages, the illustrated death benefit values<sup>5</sup> are only minimally higher using the PUA dividend option.

## Illustrated Death Benefit<sup>5</sup> - Enhanced Protection vs PUA Dividend Options

@ Current Less 1% Dividend Scale (\$ thousands)



# Enhanced Protection?

Why choose

In exchange for less than a 2% difference in illustrated death benefit value<sup>5</sup> at life expectancy (age 85), Amy could get a 60% higher quaranteed<sup>4</sup> death benefit at issue to give her greater protection in the early years of her policy.

#### In summary

As the death benefit values above show, by choosing Enhanced Protection over the Paid-Up Additions dividend option, Amy would not be giving up much in long-term death benefit value<sup>5</sup> to get a significantly higher guaranteed<sup>4</sup> initial death benefit (60% more!), which could help cover her business loans if anything should happen to her during the early policy years.

And, with the 10-pay premium option she will have a guaranteed<sup>2</sup> paid-up plan with no additional payments needed after 10 years<sup>2</sup>.

#### NOTES:

- 1 Dividends are not guaranteed and are paid at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors. Dividends may be subject to taxation. Dividends will vary based on the actual investment returns in the participating account as well as mortality, expenses, lapse, claims experience, taxes, and other experience of the participating block of policies.
- 2 Provided there are no riders or benefits in effect on the policy that remain premium paying and assumes no cash withdrawals or loans are taken.
- 3 Premium offset is not guaranteed. It depends on dividends that are not guaranteed. A decrease in the dividend scale will affect illustrated values and may delay the premium offset point and require premium payments for longer than illustrated or require premium payments to resume for a period if the policy has already qualified for premium offset.

  4 Surrendering paid-up additions will void the enhancement guarantee.
- 5 Illustrated values are as of August 12, 2023 and assume a 10 pay Equimax Estate Builder plan for a female, age 45, non-smoker with a \$25,000 annual premium payment and the current dividend scale continuing in effect for the life of the policy. The illustrated values for the example using the paid-up additions dividend option assume an initial coverage amount of \$448,591. The illustrated values for the example using the enhanced protection dividend option assume a basic coverage amount of \$448,591 and the maximum amount of enhancement coverage amount of \$267,360 for a total initial death benefit of \$715,951. Illustrated values are not guaranteed and are subject to change.
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