



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

FUND CLOSURE

CT UK Smaller Cap Fund

Q&A – Fund Closure

INTRODUCTION

Columbia Threadneedle Investments has decided to close the CT UK Smaller Cap Fund, a sub-fund of the Columbia Threadneedle (UK) ICVC II

1. Why are you closing the Funds?

We keep our range of funds under regular review and are committed to offering investors the best possible opportunities and value for money. Following a recent review, we have decided to close the CT UK Smaller Cap Fund (“the Fund”) due to various factors.

The Fund has experienced a continuing decline in assets and failed to attract significant new investment during the last five years which we now consider is likely to negatively impact both the performance of the Fund and the costs of operating the Fund. For these reasons, it is unlikely that the Fund will attract new investors in the future. Without additional investment, the Fund will become unviable as the decreasing size will make the Fund difficult to run efficiently. Furthermore, the charges you pay, known as the “Ongoing Charges Figure” will increase. On this basis, we believe that, overall, the closure of the Fund is in the best interests of investors.

2. When are the Funds closing?

The Fund will close on Thursday 13th June 2024.

3. What options do I have?

You have the following options:

OPTION 1: Switching to a different fund prior to closure

You can switch your shares in the Fund to shares of any other fund in Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited’s (CTFML) UK range of authorised funds. A list of available funds to switch into is provided under question 12. Details of our funds can be found on our website columbiathreadneedle.com. All switches are free of charge. **You may choose this option at any time up to 12 noon on Wednesday 12th June 2024.**

Please complete a ‘Change of Investment Instructions’ form, which can be found on www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs, and return to Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited, PO Box 9040, Chelmsford, CM99 2XH. If you wish to do this, please ensure we receive your instructions no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 12th June 2024. Any instructions received after this date will not be accepted, and we will redeem your holdings on the Effective Date and send you the proceeds instead.

OPTION 2: Sell your shares prior to closure

You may choose to redeem your shares in the Fund prior to the closure. All redemptions are free of charge. **You may choose this option at any time up to 12 noon on 12th June 2024.**

OPTION 3: You take no action – automatic sale of your shares

If you take no action, your shares in the Fund will be redeemed automatically on the Effective Date and the proceeds will be sent to you following the closure.

Please be aware, whether you choose to switch or sell your shares, it may be deemed a disposal of shares for capital gains tax purposes if you do not hold your investment in an ISA wrapper, and there may be tax implications depending on your individual circumstances.

4. What if I hold the Fund in my ISA, what options do I have?

If you choose Option 2 or Option 3 above and your shares are held in an ISA, then you will lose your ISA status after the proceeds are sent to you. If you wish to keep your investment in an ISA, you have the following options:

- (a) You can opt to **switch your ISA investment** in the Fund free of charge to any other fund in Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited's (CTFML) UK range of authorised funds. To make the switch, please complete a 'Change of Investment Instructions' form, which can be found on www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs, and return to Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited, PO Box 9040, Chelmsford, CM99 2XH. If you wish to do this, please follow the instructions set out in Option 1 above so that we **receive your instructions by no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 12th June 2024**; or
- (b) You may **transfer your ISA investment to another ISA manager**. To do so, you need to contact your chosen ISA manager, complete their ISA transfer form and return it to them. They will then contact us to request the transfer. Please ensure that you initiate this process as soon as possible given that ISA transfers can take around 30 days to complete and must be completed prior to the Effective Date to avoid you losing your ISA wrapper.

5. How will the proceeds from the closure be paid to me?

The proceeds will be paid to you either by cheque or electronically to your bank account depending on the mandate that is setup on your account.

6. How can I switch into another fund?

A list of funds you can switch into is provided under question 13.

To make the switch, please complete a 'Change of Investment Instructions' form, which can be found on www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs, and return it to Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management

Limited, PO Box 9040, Chelmsford, CM99 2XH. We will need to receive your instructions to switch your shares by 12 noon on Wednesday 12th June in order to facilitate the switch. If we receive your instructions after 12 noon on Wednesday 12th June, your shares will automatically be redeemed on the Effective Date and the proceeds returned to you within four business days, subject to the Anti-Money Laundering requirements.

7. What are the tax implications?

Please be aware that a switch into another Fund in our range (Option 1), a redemption of your shares prior to the Fund closure (Option 2) or the automatic redemption of your shares following the closure (Option 3) may be deemed a disposal of shares for Capital Gains Tax purposes for non-ISA holders, and there may be tax implications depending on your individual circumstances.

We are unable to provide tax advice and we therefore suggest that you seek professional advice about any potential tax implications.

8. Can I still invest in the Funds?

Yes, dealing into the Fund will continue to be possible until 12 noon on Wednesday 12th June, however we would encourage you not to buy new shares in the Fund in the period leading up to the closure of the Fund. From 12.01pm on Wednesday 12th June you will no longer be able to deal into the Fund. You will be able to redeem your holdings up to 12 noon on Wednesday 12th June.

9. I am a regular saver, when is the last regular saving collection from the fund? If I switch to another fund, will my current regular saving arrangements be automatically switched?

The last regular savings collection in the closing fund will be on 6th June 2024. If you currently save monthly, your current regular savings arrangements will be automatically switched into the new fund, unless you provide us with new instructions.

10. Will I have to pay any of the wind-up or termination costs?

Any costs associated with the closure, such as costs associated with any legal, mailing and administration costs will be paid by the Fund as permitted by the prospectus of the Company. The costs of the termination have been accrued in the price of shares.

11. What happens once the Fund has closed?

If you remain invested in the Fund after dealing has been suspended, we will redeem your investment on the Effective Date. The proceeds of your investment will be sent to you four business days after closure, using the information we have on our records, subject to the Anti-Money Laundering requirements. The Fund will then be terminated, and you will be sent the final report and accounts of the Fund(s) expected to be within 12 months of closure.

12. Which classes and ISINs are impacted by the closure?

Fund	Share Class	ISIN
CT UK Smaller Cap Fund	Class 1 Accumulation (retail)	GB0005801609
	Class L Accumulation (clean)	GB00BMY8DZ90
	Class 2 Accumulation (clean)	GB0005843882
	Class 3 Accumulation (institutional)	GB0005874176

13. Which funds are available to switch into?

Equity Funds		
UK:	CT FTSE All-Share Tracker Fund CT Responsible UK Income Fund	CT Responsible UK Equity Fund CT Select UK Equity Income Fund
US:	CT North American Equity Fund	CT US Smaller Companies Fund
Europe:	CT Select European Equity Fund	
Global:	CT Responsible Global Equity Fund CT Sustainable Opportunities Global Equity Fund	CT Sustainable Global Equity Income Fund

Fixed Income Funds	
Global:	CT Global Total Return Bond (GBP Hedged) Fund
UK:	CT Responsible Sterling Corporate Bond Fund

Mixed Asset Funds	
Global:	CT Managed Growth Fund
	CT MM Lifestyle 3 Fund CT MM Lifestyle 5 Fund CT MM Lifestyle 7 Fund
	CT MM Lifestyle 4 Fund CT MM Lifestyle 6 Fund
	CT MM Navigator Balanced Fund CT MM Navigator Cautious Fund CT MM Navigator Growth Fund
	CT MM Navigator Boutiques Fund CT MM Navigator Distribution Fund
	CT Sustainable Universal MAP Balanced Fund CT Sustainable Universal MAP Defensive Fund
	CT Sustainable Universal MAP Adventurous Fund CT Sustainable Universal MAP Cautious Fund CT Sustainable Universal MAP Growth Fund
	CT Universal MAP Adventurous Fund CT Universal MAP Cautious Fund CT Universal MAP Growth Fund
	CT Universal MAP Balanced Fund CT Universal MAP Defensive Fund CT Universal MAP Income Fund

Alternative Funds	
Global:	CT Global Real Estate Securities Fund* CT Property Growth & Income Fund*
	CT Property Growth & Income Feeder Fund*
UK:	CT UK Commercial Property Feeder Fund* CT UK Commercial Property Fund

*Not available to ISA investors.

Details of these funds can be found on our website columbiathreadneedle.com

14. Which share classes are available to switch into?

Shareholders are entitled (subject to certain restrictions) to switch their shares in the closing fund for shares of a different fund of managed by Columbia Threadneedle Funds Management Limited. The table below sets out our most popular share classes:

Retail (Class 1)	Clean (Class 2, C or L)	Institutional (Class 3 or I)
<p>Traditionally, these classes were the home of individual customers who invested directly with us.</p> <p>This share class was aimed at platforms and advisors who may still receive rebate and / or trail commission payments.</p> <p>The Annual Management Charges for this share class are higher than the clean share class.</p>	<p>This share class is aimed at individual investors and platforms / advisors that, typically, do not receive any rebates or discount payments.</p> <p>The Annual Management Charge for this share class is lower than the retail share class.</p> <p>Class L is only available to shareholders who have had their holding converted to Class L from Class 1 shares.</p>	<p>These share classes are aimed at institutional and professional investors who invest larger amounts.</p> <p>These classes have larger minimum investments and lower Annual Management Charges than clean and retail share classes and some commission or rebate arrangements may apply</p>

15. Where is the information about the fund closure on the website?

You can find further information about the closures at [columbiathreadneedle.com/changes](https://www.columbiathreadneedle.com/changes)