

# **Complaints Handling Policy**

### 1. Purpose

To set out Cromwell's commitment to meeting an effective and efficient complaints handling process (in line with ASIC's RG271), whilst adopting a customer focused approach that is fair and unbiased to each complainant.

All complaints are welcomed, valued and managed within the guidelines of this Policy.

## 2. Policy Statement

Cromwell is committed to:

- Its Internal Dispute Resolution (IDR) process that is accessible and easy to use for complainants.
- Actively respond to complaints received, online, by email, by phone or in person.
- Ensure the below timeframes are met for each complaint:
  - Response acknowledgement Immediate, within 24 hours (or one business day) of receipt, or as soon as practicable
  - 5 day rule if response provided within 5 business days, no formal IDR response required unless the complainant requests a written response or complaint is about hardship
  - Standard complaints response No later than 30 calendar days after receiving the complaint in accordance with ASIC RG 271.56
  - IDR delay notification Required if the relevant maximum IDR timeframe is unable to be met, and prior to the 30<sup>th</sup> calendar day
- Establish consistence with IDR responses to include:
  - Issue raised details of complaint
  - What we found Brief description of assessment/investigation
  - The final outcome our proposal to resolve issue
  - The right to take the complaint to AFCA if complainant is not satisfied with the IDR response
  - Contact details for AFCA
- Maintain an up-to-date record of complaints within the Complaints register.
- Continuously improving all aspects of our complaints handling processes and IDR system, having regard to relevant laws, industry standards and best practice.
- Ensure all employees (new and old) undergo annual training on Complaints Handling.

#### 3. Contact details

To make a complaint, investors can contact Cromwell via email, phone or post:

#### **Cromwell's Investor Service Team contact details:**

Address: Level 10, 100 Creek Street, Brisbane QLD 4001, AUSTRALIA

Phone: 1300 268 078

Email: invest@cromwell.com.au

#### **Cromwell's Dispute Resolution Officer**

Address: GPO Box 1093, Brisbane QLD 4001, AUSTRALIA

Email: <a href="mailto:complaints@cromwell.com.au">complaints@cromwell.com.au</a>

If a retail investor is not satisfied with the resolution of their complaint or the services Cromwell has provided, they can access and lodge a complaint with AFCA:

#### **Australian Financial Complaints Authority**

Address: GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001, AUSTRALIA

Phone: 1800 931 678 (toll free)
Website: www.afca.org.au
Email: info@afca.org.au

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