## Investment Life & Pensions Moneyfacts Awards 2024 Categories and Methodology

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## **PROVIDER CATEGORIES**

The finalists and eventual winners of the Investment Life & Pensions Moneyfacts Awards are decided by a combination of methods. Two elements make up the productspecific categories: the first is a financial adviser testimonial process that takes place between 29 January 2024 and 5 April 2024, whereby advisers are offered the chance to submit testimonials for their preferred providers, with online submissions in each relevant category across the full range of protection, retirement and investment products. Advisers are free to nominate any providers they wish, rather than having to select from a predetermined shortlist.

These results are then given over to the analytical expertise of our research team, who then thoroughly examine the pricing and features of each provider's product during the preceding 12-month period to come to the final decisions.

	Provider Product Categories	Provider Service Awards	Adviser Categories
Best Annuity Provider			
Best Business Protection Provider	<b></b>		
Best Claims Support		<b></b>	
Best Critical Illness Provider	<b>~</b>		
Best Discretionary Fund Manager	<b></b>		
Best Equity Release Provider	<b></b>		
Best Equity Release Service		<b></b>	
Best Ethical Discretionary Fund Manager	<b></b>		
Best Ethical Investment Provider	<b></b>		
Best Group Pension Provider	<b></b>		
Best Group Protection Provider	<b>~</b>		
Best Health Cash Plan Provider	<b>~</b>		
Best Healthcare Service		<b></b>	
Best Income Drawdown Provider	<b></b>		
Best Income Protection Provider	<b></b>		
Best Investment Bond Provider			
Best Investment Fund Provider			
Best Investment Service		<b></b>	
Best Investment Trust Provider			
Best Junior ISA Provider			
Best Multi-Manager Provider			
Best Online Service		<b></b>	
Best Pension Service			
Best Personal Pension Provider			
Best Private Medical Insurance Provider			
Best Protection Service			
Best SSAS Provider			
Best SIPP Provider			
Best Stocks & Shares ISA Provider			
Best Structured Products Provider			
Best Structured Products Service			
Best Tax and Estate Planning Solutions Provider			
Best Use of Technology in the Investment Life & Pensions Sect	tor 🔗		
Best Term Assurance Provider			
Best Venture Capital Trust Provider			
Best Wrap/Platform			
Equity Release Adviser of the Year			<b></b>
Innovation Award			
Investment Adviser of the Year			
Protection Adviser of the Year			
Retirement Adviser of the Year			
Service Beyond the Call of Duty		<b></b>	
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## **ADVISER CATEGORIES**

Throughout spring, entries are invited from advisers. We also consult our provider contacts for their thoughts on who should be considered. Advisers complete a questionnaire providing details of their organisation, their level of expertise and how they deliver their advice proposition and are asked to support this with evidence of their ability to deliver award-winning service. Based on submission quality, a shortlist is drawn up and announced in May. Shortlisted advisers can then invite testimonials (submitted via an online form) until late June 2024. An internal judging panel assesses these to decide upon the final positions.