Is a Fixed Annuity Right for You?

A fixed annuity can be an excellent choice for the right individual.

Fixed Annuities May Be Appropriate If You		
Are nearing retirement or are retired (age 55+)	BECAUSE	You may be interested in adding to your retirement nest egg.
Are looking for guarantees	BECAUSE	You may like the issuing insurance company's guarantees of stability of principal and interest.
Are averse to risk	BECAUSE	You may like the conservative features of a fixed annuity (stability of principal, interest guarantee, annuitization, etc.).
Are concerned about taxes	BECAUSE	Fixed annuity earnings are not taxed until withdrawal or surrender.
Want a fixed return on your money	BECAUSE	Fixed annuities carry a known interest rate, which is reset periodically (annually or other selected guarantee period).
Reinvest interest, dividends or capital gains	BECAUSE	Income from your portfolio is not needed for your living expenses.
Want emergency access to your money	BECAUSE	A certain percentage of the premium or account balance of a fixed annuity is typically available free from surrender charges.*
Wish to minimize estate administration headaches for your loved ones	BECAUSE	Named beneficiaries on a fixed annuity contract receive death proceeds without the expense and delay of probate.
Want a regular source of income	BECAUSE	Annuitization offers you lifetime income or other income choices.
Already have a fixed annuity	BECAUSE	You are already comfortable with the annuity product in general and may want another one.

^{*} Withdrawals of earnings are taxed as ordinary income and, if taken prior to age 501/2, may be subject to an additional 10% federal tax penalty. Most annuities have surrender charges in the early years of the contract. Other insurance company costs are taken into account when setting the fixed annuity's interest rate.

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