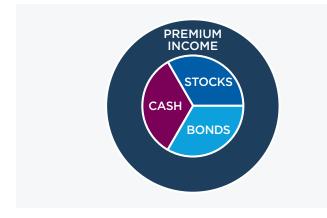


# Premium Income as a Portfolio Enhancer

# **Opportunity Overview**

Premium Income can be overlaid on a portfolio of marginable assets in an effort to enhance the total return. Premium Income has three primary benefits:

- Overlay Structure Minimal Dedicated Capital
- Low Correlation to Most Asset Classes<sup>1</sup>
- Preferential Tax Treatment



## **Portfolio Solutions for Clients**

**Potential to achieve a higher overall portfolio cash flow.** Premium Income can be utilized as an alpha-generating overlay strategy to target a higher cash flow and total return without disrupting the existing portfolio. In most situations, an overlay of 10% to 20% of notional value on a client's total investable assets is recommended.

**Example:** If the client's assets are getting a 50% margin release this would equate to overlaying Premium Income on 20% to 40% of the collateral relative to a client's total investable assets.

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## **Objective of the Premium Income Overlay**

Seeks to add additional cash flow to a current portfolio allocation.

#### **Risk**

Premium Income adds additional risk to a portfolio above and beyond an investor's current asset allocation.

**Primary risk** for Premium Income is a large move down in the S&P 500 Index. During volatile time periods for the S&P 500, the strategy may have to adjust option positions and potentially realize a loss.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Client Attributes**

**Premium Income may be appropriate** for high-net worth clients who have a moderate risk tolerance and are willing to add incremental risk to their portfolio in an effort to generate a higher cash flow or total return.

Inappropriate for clients who:

- Do not have the willingness and ability to take additional risks beyond their current portfolio.
- Do not want additional volatility added to their portfolio and cash flows. Premium Income's cash flows are not as consistent as dividends or bond coupons.

### **Other Considerations**

**Liquidity –** Premium Income has daily liquidity if needed. If possible, advanced notice of the liquidation will allow the options to unwind naturally and reduce costs to exit open positions.

Account Setup - Marginable assets are held in one account while Premium Income is managed in a separate account. The two accounts are linked together at the custodian so the margin release can be utilized in the option account.

**Collateral Sources** – Premium Income can be overlaid on marginable assets (stocks, bonds, ETFs, mutual funds, cash, etc.) in a taxable account. Premium Income can NOT be overlaid on non-marginable assets in IRA's or structures such as limited partnerships and interval funds. Additionally, accounts managed by a third-party can not be utilized as the collateral.

**Taxes** – Premium Income trades 1256 contracts which receive preferential 60% long-term and 40% short-term capital gains treatment.

<sup>1</sup> See the Premium Income fact sheet for historical returns, correlations and risk metrics.

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