

Amended Specified Investments List

Specified Investments – These investments are sterling investments that do not exceed a maturity period of more than one year, or those which could be for a longer period but where the Council has the right to be repaid within twelve months if it wishes. These are considered low risk assets where the possibility of loss of principal or investment income is small. These would include sterling investments which would not be defined as capital expenditure with:

1. The UK Government (such as the Debt Management Account deposit facility, UK Treasury Bills or Gilts with less than one year to maturity).
2. Supranational bonds of less than one year's duration.
3. A Local Authority, Parish Council, Community Council, Fire or Police Authority
4. Pooled investment vehicles (such as money market funds) that have been awarded a high credit rating by a credit rating agency. For category 4, this covers pooled investment vehicles, such as money market funds, rated AAA by Standard and Poor's, Moody's or Fitch rating agencies.
5. A body that is considered of a high credit quality (such as a bank or building society) meeting the minimum 'high' quality criteria where applicable.

Additionally, and in accordance with the Code, the Council has set duration and value limits as follows:

Specified Investments - Limits on value and period

	Minimum credit criteria/colour banding	Max % of total investments / £ limit per institution	Max maturity period
Debt Management Office – UK Government	Not applicable	100%	364 days
UK Government Gilts	UK Sovereign rating	20%	364 days
UK Government Treasury Bills	UK Sovereign rating	20%	364 days
Bonds issued by multilateral development banks	UK Sovereign rating	20%	6 months
Money Market Fund	AAA	£25m	Liquid
Local Authorities, Fire and Police Authorities		20%	364 days
Term deposits with banks and rated building societies	Blue Orange Red Green	£15m or 20% of total investments whichever is the greater	Up to 1 year Up to 1 year Up to 6 Months Up to 100 days
Certificate of Deposit or corporate bonds with banks and building societies	Blue Orange Red Green	£10m or 20% of total investments whichever is the greater	Up to 1 year Up to 1 year Up to 6 Months Up to 100 days
Enhanced Cash funds		20%	6 months
Corporate bond funds		20%	6 months
Gilt Funds	UK sovereign rating	20%	6 months

The colour ratings above for the Term deposits with banks and rated building societies and Certificates of Deposit or corporate bonds with banks and building societies link the durations in the right hand column to colour coding used in Capita's Credit List i.e. Blue and Orange coloured institutions can be allow investments of up to a year according to the Capita Credit List