

Proxy Voting Policy

PRIVATE WEALTH MANAGEMENT



Desjardins Securities Inc. («Desjardins Securities») uses the trade name Desjardins Wealth Management Private Wealth Management to offer discretionary management of segregated accounts and DIM Private Funds («the Funds»).

For discretionary management accounts, Desjardins Securities is responsible for portfolio strategies, while Desjardins Global Asset Management Inc. («DGAM») acts as the portfolio and investment fund manager for DIM Private Funds. Desjardins Securities may also receive support from external managers.



Segregated accounts and DIM Private Funds

Discretionary management portfolios offered by Desjardins Private Wealth Management include both segregated accounts and fund portfolios.

Segregated accounts consist of security portfolios, which means you can directly hold securities such as common or preferred shares, debt securities (such as treasury bills, guaranteed investment certificates, bonds, debentures and notes issued by government bodies, financial institutions, companies or other Canadian or international legal entities), investment fund securities, exchange-traded funds and more.


Fund portfolios consist exclusively of DIM Private Funds created by Desjardins's expert teams. DGAM acts as the portfolio and investment fund manager for DIM Private Funds. The portfolio management of the Funds is carried out by DGAM or an external manager duly authorized to act on their behalf. In addition, Desjardins Trust Inc. is the depositary and trustee for the DIM Private Funds.

Policy on the Exercise of Proxy Voting Rights

DGAM's primary responsibility, in its capacity as a portfolio and investment fund manager, is to protect the interest of holders of the Funds while growing their capital through sound investment in companies that are profitable or have good profit potential.

To provide a framework for its role as an investment fund manager, DGAM has implemented the Policy on the Exercise of Proxy Voting Rights. This policy sets out the conditions surrounding the exercise of voting rights attached to securities held in the portfolio, while ensuring the interest of both clients and the Funds. It includes details on DGAM's preferred position in respect to the various proposals submitted to a vote during a meeting. This includes the election of board members, the adoption of a stock option plan and the approval of a merger or acquisition.

You can view the policy here:

[Policy on the exercise of proxy voting rights](#) 
(PDF, 1,1 MB).

DIM Private Funds and securities conferring proxy voting rights


Private Wealth Management accounts may hold DIM Private Funds and equity securities, which directly hold shares that give them proxy voting rights. Desjardins Securities exercises the rights attached to the securities held in the accounts of Private Wealth Management clients, including proxy voting rights.

[Please refer to the list of DIM Private Funds and securities](#)  (PDF, 151 KB).

Easy online access to proxy voting results

As a holder of units of the Funds or equity securities in your portfolios, you have the right to know how the proxy voting rights were exercised.

The proxy voting period runs for 12 months, from July 1 to June 30.

The [results of how proxy voting rights were exercised](#)  are published on our website every year by August 31 at the latest. For each vote, the results show the issuer's name, the date of the meeting, the subject of the vote and what we voted for.

