

# Questions to ask your Investment Advisor

What to ask your current advisor or someone who wants to be your advisor.  
If you don't answer "yes" to each question -- talk to us.

<b>Has your advisor:</b>	<b>Answer</b>
1. Asked a lot of questions to understand your family's long-term goals. [Topics: estate, tax, retirement & relocation planning, income needs, investment history, family governance, succession, currency hedging]	Yes/No
2. Asked to meet your spouse (if applicable)	Yes/No
3. Openly talked about how s/he is paid e.g. commission; % of the fees they charge you; plus full disclosure on corporate fees; custody fees, foreign exchange fees, trading fees, trailer fees	Yes/No
4. Explained the volatility of different investment strategies and how his/her recommendation would perform during market downturns	Yes/No
5. Told you who his/her custodian is. Why? Bernard Madoff was both broker and custodian	Yes/No
6. Highlighted the open architecture of the product suite i.e. a variety of money managers or does s/he sell mostly their company's own products	Yes/No
7. Told you who his/her auditor is and whether it's one of the top firms	Yes/No
8. Offered to build a wealth plan for you	Yes/No
9. Demonstrated expertise in a wide range of asset classes beyond local stocks and bonds e.g. real estate, private equity, commodities, precious metals, hedge funds, collectibles	Yes/No
10. Introduced you to his/her team of experts who can advise on tax, currency, portfolio, family governance and administration	Yes/No
11. Introduced you to the senior management of the firm	Yes/No
12. Provided detailed Canadian tax reporting on the foreign and domestic holdings in your portfolio	Yes/No
13. Disclosed how many funds s/he has seeded, closed down or merged with others	Yes/No
14. Accumulated over 50 years of wealth management experience and seen at least 10 market cycles	Yes/No
15. Offered to visit you at your office or house	Yes/No
16. Called and/or met with you regularly to review your circumstances	Yes/No
17. Makes monitoring your portfolio easy with online access, consolidated statements across multiple accounts and detailed performance reporting	Yes/No
18. Explained his/her investment philosophy in clear language	Yes/No
19. Clearly explained the concept of risk and the impact risk has on your portfolio decisions	Yes/No
20. Talked to you about your wills and personal financial planning	Yes/No

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