

**AMENDMENT NO. 6** dated March 29, 2019 to the simplified prospectus dated June 28, 2018, as amended by amendment no. 1 dated October 2, 2018, amendment no. 2 dated November 19, 2018, amendment no. 3 dated January 16, 2019, amendment no. 4 dated January 31, 2019 and amendment no. 5 dated February 8, 2019.

#### **RBC FUNDS**

## Series A, Series F and Series O units

RBC Canadian Bond Index Fund
RBC Canadian Government Bond Index Fund
RBC Canadian Index Fund
RBC U.S. Index Fund
RBC U.S. Index Currency Neutral Fund
RBC International Index Currency Neutral Fund

(each, a fund and collectively, the funds)

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# Summary

RBC Global Asset Management Inc. (*RBC GAM*), the manager of the funds, has entered into a strategic alliance with BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited (*BlackRock Canada*) whereby the ETF families offered in Canada by RBC GAM and BlackRock Canada are being brought together under one new brand — RBC iShares. On January 8, 2019 RBC GAM announced certain proposed changes to the investment objectives of the funds (described below) designed to streamline the RBC iShares solution suite and leverage the RBC iShares alliance for the benefit of investors by applying the expertise of BlackRock Canada, as a subsidiary of BlackRock, Inc. the world's largest ETF and index manager, to RBC GAM's line-up of index mutual funds. RBC GAM held a meeting of the unitholders of each of the funds on March 22, 2019 (collectively, the *Meetings*) in connection with such proposed changes. At the Meetings, unitholders of each of the funds approved a resolution to permit the funds to invest in underlying funds (including funds managed by BlackRock Canada) (the *Change in Investment Objectives*). In connection with the Change in Investment Objectives, RBC GAM will also (a) change the benchmark index of each of the funds (other than the RBC Canadian Government Bond Index Fund) and (b) reduce the management fee of the Series F units of the RBC Canadian Bond Index Fund.

## Amendments

The simplified prospectus is hereby amended as follows:

- 1. Effective April 8, 2019, the reference to "0.10%" in the row entitled *Fees and expenses* in the *Fund details* table in respect of the RBC Canadian Bond Index Fund on page 31 of the simplified prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with a reference to "0.09%."
- 2. Effective April 8, 2019, the disclosure under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment objectives* on page 31 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC Canadian Bond Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> To track the performance of a generally recognized Canadian bond market index.
  - > To provide a total return consisting of income and modest capital growth.

The fund invests primarily in fixed-income securities such as bonds, debentures and notes issued by Canadian governments and corporations in substantially the same proportion as its benchmark index, either directly or indirectly through investment in other mutual funds.

We will not change the fundamental investment objectives of the fund unless we have the consent of a majority of the voting unitholders of the fund to do so."

- 3. Effective April 8, 2019, the row entitled *Portfolio Sub-Advisor* in the *Fund details* table in respect of the RBC Canadian Bond Index Fund and footnote 2 to the *Fund details* table on page 31 of the simplified prospectus are hereby deleted.
- 4. Effective April 8, 2019, the first two bullet points under the subheading What does the fund invest in? Investment strategies on page 31 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC Canadian Bond Index Fund are hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> manages the fund to track the performance of the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index\* (or any successor thereto). The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index is a market-capitalization weighted index consisting of a broadly diversified portfolio which may include federal, provincial, corporate and municipal investment-grade bonds issued by Canadian issuers;
  - > invests up to 100% of the fund's assets in units of other mutual funds (specifically, the iShares Core Canadian Universe Bond Index ETF). The iShares Core Canadian Universe Bond Index ETF seeks to provide income by replicating, to the extent possible, the performance of the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index, net of expenses;"
- 5. Effective April 8, 2019 the footnote on page 31 of the simplified prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - \*\* All rights in the "FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index" vest in FTSE Global Debt Capital Markets Inc. FTSE® is a trademark of FTSE International Limited in Canada and is used by FTSE under licence. The fund is not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by FTSE International Limited or its licensors, and they make no representation, warranty, or condition regarding the results to be obtained from the use of the index or the advisability of investing in the fund."
- 6. Effective April 8, 2019, the disclosure under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment objectives* on page 33 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC Canadian Government Bond Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> To track the performance of a generally recognized Canadian bond market index.
  - >To provide a total return consisting of income and moderate capital growth.

The fund invests primarily in fixed-income securities issued or guaranteed by Canadian governments in substantially the same proportion as its benchmark index, either directly or indirectly through investment in other mutual funds.

We will not change the fundamental investment objectives of the fund unless we have the consent of a majority of the voting unitholders of the fund to do so."

- 7. Effective April 8, 2019, the eighth bullet point under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment strategies* on page 33 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC Canadian Government Bond Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> may invest up to 100% of the fund's assets in units of other mutual funds;"
- 8. Effective April 9, 2019, the row entitled *Portfolio Sub-Advisor* in the *Fund details* table in respect of the RBC Canadian Index Fund on page 215 of the simplified prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

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BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited, Toronto, Ontario

- 9. Effective April 8, 2019, the disclosure under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment objectives* on page 215 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC Canadian Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> To track the performance of a generally recognized Canadian equity market index.
  - > To provide long-term capital growth.

The fund invests primarily in equity securities in substantially the same proportion as its benchmark index, either directly or indirectly through investment in other mutual funds.

We will not change the fundamental investment objectives of the fund unless we have the consent of a majority of the voting unitholders of the fund to do so."

- 10. Effective April 8, 2019, the eighth bullet point under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment strategies* on page 215 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC Canadian Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> may invest up to 100% of the fund's assets in units of other mutual funds;"
- 11. Effective April 9, 2019, the first bullet point under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment strategies* on page 215 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC Canadian Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> manages the fund to track the performance of the S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index\* (or any successor thereto). The S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index includes the constituents of the S&P/TSX Composite Total Return Index with relative weighting of each constituent capped at 10% and is designed to track the performance of large-, mid- and small-capitalization companies located in Canada;"
- 12. Effective April 9, 2019 the footnote on page 215 of the simplified prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "\* All rights in the "S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index" vest in S&P. Standard & Poor's® and S&P® are registered trademarks of S&P and TSX is a trademark of TSX Inc. The fund is not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by S&P or the TSX or its licensors, and they make no representation, warranty, or condition regarding the results to be obtained from the use of the index or the advisability of investing in the fund."
- 13. Effective April 9, 2019, the row entitled *Portfolio Sub-Advisor* in the *Fund details* table in respect of the RBC U.S. Index Fund on page 251 of the simplified prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

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- 14. Effective, April 8, 2019, the disclosure under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment objectives* on page 251 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC U.S. Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> To track the performance of a generally recognized U.S. equity market index.
  - > To provide long-term capital growth.

The fund invests primarily in equity securities in substantially the same proportion as its benchmark index, either directly or indirectly through investment in other mutual funds.

We will not change the fundamental investment objectives of the fund unless we have the consent of a majority of the voting unitholders of the fund to do so."

- 15. Effective April 8, 2019, the seventh bullet point under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment strategies* on page 251 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC U.S. Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> may invest up to 100% of the fund's assets in units of other mutual funds;"
- 16. Effective April 9, 2019, the first bullet point under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment strategies* on page 251 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC U.S. Index Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> manages the fund to track the performance of the S&P 500 Total Return Index\* (or any successor thereto). The S&P 500 Total Return Index is a market-capitalization weighted index representing the performance of 500 U.S. large-capitalization stocks;"
- 17. Effective April 9, 2019 the footnote on page 251 of the simplified prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - \*\* All rights in the "S&P 500 Total Return Index" vest in S&P. Standard & Poor's® and S&P® are registered trademarks of S&P. The fund is not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by S&P or its licensors, and they make no representation, warranty, or condition regarding the results to be obtained from the use of the index or the advisability of investing in the fund."

- 18. Effective April 8, 2019, the row entitled *Portfolio Sub-Advisor* in the *Fund details* table in respect of the RBC U.S. Index Currency Neutral Fund and footnote 3 to the *Fund details* table on page 253 of the simplified prospectus are hereby deleted.
- 19. Effective, April 8, 2019, the disclosure under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment objectives* on page 253 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC U.S. Index Currency Neutral Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> To track the performance of a generally recognized U.S. equity market index.
  - > To provide long-term capital growth while minimizing the exposure to currency fluctuations between the U.S. and Canadian dollar.

The fund invests primarily in equity securities in substantially the same proportion as its benchmark index, either directly or indirectly through investment in other mutual funds. The fund may also use derivatives to hedge against the fluctuations in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar.

We will not change the fundamental investment objectives of the fund unless we have the consent of a majority of the voting unitholders of the fund to do so."

- 20. Effective April 8, 2019, the first and second bullet points under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment strategies* on page 253 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC U.S. Index Currency Neutral Fund are hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> manages the fund to track the performance of the S&P 500 Total Return Hedged 100% to CAD Index\* (or any successor thereto). The S&P 500 Total Return Hedged 100% to CAD Index is a market-capitalization weighted index representing the performance of 500 U.S. large-capitalization stocks. The index return is based on the U.S. equity market return and excludes currency fluctuations in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar;
  - > invests up to 100% of the fund's assets in units of other mutual funds (specifically, the iShares Core S&P 500 Index ETF) and employs strategies to minimize the effect on the fund of currency fluctuations in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar. The iShares Core S&P 500 Index ETF seeks to provide long-term capital growth by replicating, to the extent possible, the performance of the S&P 500 Index, net of expenses;"
- 21. Effective April 8, 2019 the footnote on page 253 of the simplified prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - \*\* All rights in the "S&P 500 Total Return Hedged 100% to CAD Index" vest in S&P. Standard & Poor's® and S&P® are registered trademarks of S&P. The fund is not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by S&P or its licensors, and they make no representation, warranty, or condition regarding the results to be obtained from the use of the index or the advisability of investing in the fund."
- 22. Effective April 9, 2019, the row entitled *Portfolio Sub-Advisor* in the *Fund details* table in respect of the RBC International Index Currency Neutral Fund and footnote 3 to the *Fund details* table on page 284 of the simplified prospectus are hereby deleted.
- 23. Effective April 9, 2019, the disclosure under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment objectives* on page 284 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC International Index Currency Neutral Fund is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> To track the performance of a generally recognized international equity market index.
  - >To provide long-term capital growth while minimizing the exposure to currency fluctuations between foreign currencies and the Canadian dollar.

The fund invests primarily in equity securities in substantially the same proportion as its benchmark index, either directly or indirectly through investment in other mutual funds. The fund may also use derivatives to hedge against the fluctuations in the value of foreign currencies relative to the Canadian dollar.

We will not change the fundamental investment objectives of the fund unless we have the consent of a majority of the voting unitholders of the fund to do so."

- 24. Effective April 9, 2019, the first and second bullet points under the subheading *What does the fund invest in? Investment strategies* on page 284 of the simplified prospectus in respect of the RBC International Index Currency Neutral Fund are hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - "> manages the fund to track the performance of the MSCI EAFE IMI Hedged 100% to CAD Net Index\* (or any successor thereto). The MSCI EAFE IMI Hedged 100% to CAD Net Index is a market capitalization-weighted index representing the after-tax performance of large- and mid-capitalization securities in developed markets, excluding the U.S. and Canada. The index return is based on foreign equity market returns and excludes currency fluctuations in the value of foreign currencies relative to the Canadian dollar;
  - > invests up to 100% of the fund's assets in units of other mutual funds (specifically, the iShares Core MSCI EAFE IMI Index ETF), and employs strategies to minimize the effect on the fund of currency fluctuations in the value of foreign currencies relative to the Canadian dollar. The iShares Core MSCI EAFE IMI Index ETF seeks to provide long-term capital growth by replicating, to the extent possible, the performance of the MSCI EAFE Investable Market Index, net of expenses;"
- 25. Effective April 9, 2019 the footnote on page 284 of the simplified prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
  - \*\* All rights in the "MSCI EAFE IMI Hedged 100% to CAD Net Index" vest in MSCI. The fund is not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by MSCI or any of its affiliates or its licensors, and they make no representation, warranty, or condition regarding the results to be obtained from the use of the index or the advisability of investing in the fund."

## What are your legal rights?

Securities legislation in some provinces and territories gives you the right to withdraw from an agreement to buy mutual funds within two business days of receiving the simplified prospectus or fund facts, or to cancel your purchase within 48 hours of receiving confirmation of your order.

Securities legislation in some provinces and territories also allows you to cancel an agreement to buy mutual fund units and get your money back, or make a claim for damages, if the simplified prospectus, annual information form, fund facts or financial statements misrepresent any facts about the fund. These rights must usually be exercised within certain time limits.

For more information, please refer to the securities legislation of your province or territory, or consult your lawyer.

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