



# RBC International Equity Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in equity securities of companies outside of North America. The fund provides exposure to economies that offer different business cycles and growth opportunities than North American markets.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF268
A	No Load	USD	RBF411
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF862
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF771
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF173
Adv	Low Load	USD	RBF4411
T5	No Load	CAD	RBF5268

Inception Date	January 1993
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	1,007.8
Series A NAV \$	20.17
Series A MER %	2.15
Benchmark	MSCI EAFE Total Return Net Index (C\$)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

Fund Category	International Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

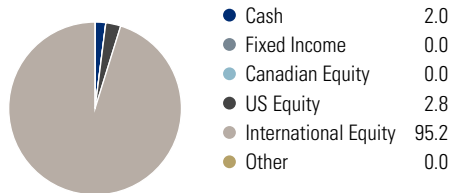
## Notes

Performance Analysis is in CAD and for CAD series A fund (RBF268).

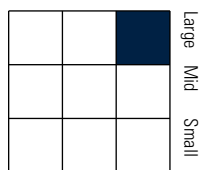
This is a continuing fund resulting from a merger effective November 27, 2015.

## Portfolio Analysis as of August 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

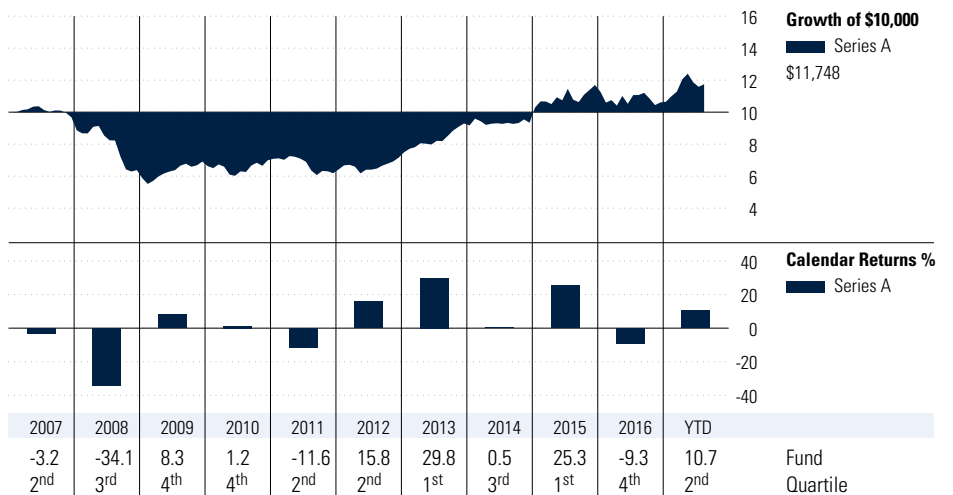
### Top 5 Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Financials	17.8
Health Care	16.2
Consumer Staples	13.7
Industrials	13.4
Consumer Discretionary	12.2

### Geographic Allocations

Region	% Assets
United Kingdom	25.0
Japan	17.8
Germany	8.4
Netherlands	6.1
Sweden	5.4

## Performance Analysis as of August 31, 2017



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
1.4 (1 <sup>st</sup> )	-5.3 (4 <sup>th</sup> )	6.9 (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	6.1 (4 <sup>th</sup> )	8.0 (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	12.7 (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	1.6 (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	4.0	Fund Quartile
538	537	523	490	340	266	126	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Dominic Wallington

##### RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited

Dominic has worked in the investment industry since 1991 and has been a portfolio manager since 1993. Prior to joining RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited, he worked for Invesco Perpetual. Between 2002 and July 2007, Dominic ran several Continental European equity funds for individual investors and institutions. He has a Masters in Finance and Investment from the University of Exeter. Dominic also holds the Securities Institute Diploma and is a Fellow of the Securities Institute.

#### David Lambert

##### RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited

David is a Portfolio Manager with the European Equity team of RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited. He is part of a veteran team that strives to identify superior investment opportunities while minimizing risks. David began his career with the firm in 1999 as a Quantitative Analyst and became a Portfolio Manager in 2003. He graduated from Loughborough University with a First Class BSc (Hons) degree in Mathematics and is an Associate of the UK Society of Investment Professionals (CFA UK).

#### Mayur Nallamala

##### RBC Investment Management (Asia) Limited

Mayur Nallamala is Senior Portfolio Manager and the Head of Asian Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1998, and prior to joining the firm in 2013 was a portfolio manager at JP Morgan Asset Management in Hong Kong. He was responsible for Asia Pacific ex-Japan mandates managing assets on behalf of sovereign wealth, institutional and retail clients around the world. He spent his early career at Chase Futures & Options in London and at ABN AMRO in Hong Kong. Mayur holds a Bachelor of Science from the London School of Economics.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of August 31, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	—	—	0.01	—	0.03	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.14	0.16	0.01
Interest	—	—	0.01	—	0.03	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.14	0.16	0.01
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	1-1994	41.5	7-2015	21.4	5-2017	15.0	7-2015	3.5
Worst	11-2008	-36.8	3-2003	-20.5	5-2012	-9.8	6-2010	-5.9
Average		4.6		4.3		3.3		0.8
No. of Periods		284		260		236		176
Pct. Positive		69.0		66.5		55.1		68.8

\* Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

### Quarterly Commentary as at June 30, 2017

Security selection was the main driver of outperformance as asset allocation was flat.

From an asset allocation perspective, our overweight position in Information Technology was the biggest contributor. In contrast, the underweight position in Financials detracted from relative performance.

At the security selection level, our holdings in the Financials and Industrials sectors contributed the most to relative performance. The largest contributor was our overweight position in Irish budget airline, Ryanair. The second largest contributor was our off benchmark position in Tencent. The most significant detractor was a zero position in Nestlé.

Asian markets have generated strong returns given a positive economic and political backdrop, with Indonesia receiving a ratings upgrade from S&P, a

new president elected in South Korea and China easing monetary conditions by injecting liquidity into the system. Further, solid economic data in the U.S. and the fading concerns of a detrimental trade policy from the Trump administration should continue to boost investor sentiment in Asia.

European Equities delivered positive returns during Q2 although these were muted by a negative June. One interpretation of June's market movement is that it is the beginning of the second wave of a value rally. The other is that the dip in the last week of June was a sympathy move with bond markets. The economic backdrop in the Eurozone, nevertheless, remains robust with broad-based growth. In contrast, economic figures reported from the UK showed a potential slowdown as the manufacturing, services and construction sectors stalled due to increasing business uncertainty.



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Adjusted MER is provided for funds with management fee changes effective June 30, 2016. The Adjusted MER represents what the reported MER would have been had management fee changes been in effect throughout 2016.

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