

Northern Trust Quality Low Volatility Index

The above index is the underlying index for the FlexShares Quality Low Volatility Index Fund (QLV), and utilizes a quality factor approach in an effort to identify U.S.-based stocks through a quality lens to help diversify a portfolio and reduce volatility.



Composite Score Ranking

Member of the Northern Trust 1250 Index

Management Efficiency + Profitability + Cash Flow



Quality Score



Quintile



Highest Ranked

Lowest Rank
(Excluded)



Security Constraints



Maximum single security overweight / underweight



Maximum liquidity** in comparison to the benchmark



Maximum sector overweight / underweight



Maximum industry group overweight / underweight



Style exposure minimized except for volatility



Historical beta (0.70%***)



Targets turnover of 12% max



Optimize



Volatility Reduction



Quality Tilt



Rebalanced on quarterly basis
(Feb, May, Aug, Nov)

To learn more about FlexShares, contact our team at 1-855-FlexETF (1-855-353-9383) or visit our website, www.flexshares.com.

Before investing, carefully consider the FlexShares investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. This and other information is in the prospectus and a summary prospectus, copies of which may be obtained by visiting www.flexshares.com. Read the prospectus carefully before you invest.

Foreside Fund Services, LLC, distributor.

Please see back for additional important information.



**The core components of the quality scoring model are based on quantitative ranking of various metrics obtained from company filings. These scores have three components: Management Expertise (e.g. corporate finance activities), Profitability (e.g. assess the reliability and the sustainability of financial performance and Cash flow (e.g. cash flow generation).*

*** Liquidity of an asset measures the extent to which that asset can be bought or sold in the market without impacting the price of the asset.*

**** Beta is a statistical measure of the volatility, or sensitivity, of rates of return on a portfolio or security compared to a market index. The beta for an ETF measures the expected change in return of the ETF relative to the return of a designated index. By definition, the beta of the Standard & Poor's (S&P) 500 Index is 1.00. Accordingly, a fund with a 1.10 beta is expected to perform 10% better than the S&P 500 Index in rising markets and 10% worse in falling markets.*

An investment in FlexShares is subject to numerous risks, including possible loss of principal. Fund returns may not match the return of the respective indexes. A full description of risks is in the prospectus.

The FlexShares US Quality Low Volatility Index Fund (QLV) is passively managed and uses a representative sampling strategy to track its underlying index. Use of a representative sampling strategy creates tracking risk where the Fund's performance could vary substantially from the performance of the underlying index along with the risk of higher portfolio turnover. Although the fund seeks lower volatility than the broader U.S. equity market, there is no guarantee it will be successful as securities or other assets in the Fund's portfolio may be subject to greater price volatility than the market as a whole. The Fund may also invest in derivative instruments. Changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate with the underlying asset, rate or index and the Fund could lose more than the principal amount invested. The Fund is also at increased risk of Industry Concentration, where it may be more than 25% invested in the assets of a single industry.