Investor checklist

The product you buy	
Do you obtain outright ownership of physical gold?	
How do you store your gold safely?	
Does the product meet your specific needs?	
The company you buy from	
Is the product provider trustworthy?	
Does the product provider adhere to any regulations or voluntary "standards"?	
The fees and costs you pay	
What are the costs for buying/selling the gold?	
Are there any other costs?	
Marketing and sales efforts	
Are the potential returns and risks stated objectively?	
Are you able to make investment decisions without undue pressure?	
The operational management of the company	
How is the gold acquired?	
Are you appropriately protected?	
Is the provider using best practices in information technology?	
Are the company's gold sourcing and overall operations responsible?	