

Request for 403(b) - Tax Sheltered Annuity (TSA) Withdrawal/Surrender



- If you are a client of Ameriprise Financial, do not use this form. Please contact your Ameriprise financial advisor or call 1-800-862-7919 for a copy of the correct form.
- For questions regarding the completion of this form, call our office at 1-800-333-3437.
- If the bank account selected in the Payment Arrangements section is not already available for use, complete the enclosed Standing Instruction: Bank form (Form 150936) to authorize the bank account.

RiverSource Contract Number

Part 1 Contract Information

Owner Name

Part 2 Plan Sponsor Information

Name of Plan Sponsor

Phone Number

Employer Identification Number

Mailing Address

City

State

ZIP code

Third Party Administrator Name

If you are currently retired, unemployed or working for an employer who does not sponsor a 403(b) program, your 403(b) account is deemed associated with your most recent employer who sponsored the 403(b) arrangement.

Part 3 Required Qualifying Event



Prior to receiving a distribution from your 403(b) contract, the Internal Revenue Code requires that you have met certain qualifying events. All options may not be available due to Plan Provision restrictions. Carefully read the attached Special Tax Notice for Plan Distributions for important information regarding rollover eligibility and taxation of the distribution.

Please select your qualifying event:

- Severance from employment
 - What was your severance date (MM/DD/YY)?
 - Were you or will you be age 55 or older in the calendar year you severed employment? Yes No
 - **20% minimum mandatory withholding** (unless funds are being directly rolled over).
- Normal distribution following attainment of age 59½
 - **20% minimum mandatory withholding** (unless funds are directly rolled over)
- Required Minimum Distribution
 - Must be at least 70½ years of age in the current calendar year
 - Withholding is optional; Complete federal and state tax withholding instructions
- Disability
 - Attach a completed Statement of Disability
 - **20% minimum mandatory withholding** (unless funds are directly rolled over)
- Return of Excess Contributions - Year excess occurred (YYYY)
Type: Salary Deferral Annual Additions (Employer Contributions)
 - Withholding is optional; Complete Income Tax Withholding election
- Pre-1989 contract value; no qualifying event necessary
 - **20% minimum mandatory withholding** (unless funds are directly rolled over)

Part 4 Full or Partial Withdrawal Request

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- The distribution options available to you may be restricted by your employer's 403(b) plan provisions. See your Plan Administrator or Summary Plan Description for further information. Please verify the withdrawal provisions and conditions of your contract prior to making a selection.
 - If you are currently receiving systematic withdrawals based upon the accumulated value of your account, a withdrawal may decrease or inactivate future systematic withdrawals.
 - Make sure you understand the impact taking this withdrawal will have on your values. Certain riders contain features that may be negatively impacted by taking a withdrawal.
 - Consult with your investment professional to determine a withdrawal strategy that is right for you.

Select one:

- I request a full withdrawal of the contract in accordance with the provisions and conditions of the contract.
- Make a partial withdrawal of \$
- Make a partial withdrawal of my interest earnings.
- Make a partial withdrawal for my Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) in the amount of \$
- Make a partial withdrawal for my annual free amount without incurring withdrawal charges effective
- Immediately On a specific date (MM/DD/YY)

Unless specific instructions are provided below, all partial surrenders will be made pro-rata.

Account/Fund name	Whole Percentage
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> %
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> %
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> %
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> %
Total	100 %

Part 5 Systematic Withdrawal Request

This request is to Establish a New Arrangement Replace an Existing Arrangement

Amount Payment Amount \$ Earnings Only

Payment Frequency Quarterly Semiannually Annually

Payment Start Date (MMDDYYYY) **Payment End Date (MMDDYYYY)**

- For ACH transfers, please allow three business days for your withdrawal to be deposited into your account.
- If no payment start date is entered, request will be effective on first business day after received in the corporate office.

Check here if this systematic withdrawal request is a series of substantially equal periodic payments (SEPP), intended to allow you to avoid the 10% premature penalty tax. Please complete the Substantially Equal Periodic Payment Withdrawal Request form and return it with this 403(b) withdrawal request form .

Part 6 Delivery Instructions

For an **ACH** - if the bank instruction is not already available for use, complete the Standing Instruction: Bank form to authorize the bank account for use.

- The bank account must be authorized and approved prior to submitting this request. If we receive this form prior to the bank being authorized, the withdrawal request will not be processed.
- To request a withdrawal while a bank authorization is pending, please consider requesting a check to the address of record.
- Only domestic (US) bank accounts may be authorized for ACH or for future use.

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Delivery Instructions continued

Select delivery preference:

- Mail check to my address of record.
 ACH transfer to my external bank account

Name of Bank:

Bank Routing Number/RTN:

Must be 9 digits and begin with a 0, 1, 2, or 3

Bank Account Number:

Part 7 Internal Transfer, Direct Rollover, Roth Conversion Instructions

A: Select Type of Transaction

Full

Partial

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B: Plan Type of Receiving Account

Traditional IRA SEP IRA Roth IRA

C: New or Existing Contract

New Contract (Attach application)

Existing Contract (Include contract number)

D: Transaction Request

Direct rollover from my TSA to an existing or new traditional IRA or SEP IRA.

Direct rollover from my TSA to an existing or new Roth IRA (generally, this transaction is taxable).

Direct rollover from this TSA to a Roth IRA using the same contract number (keep same contract number but change it to a Roth IRA) (generally, this transaction is taxable). The actuarial present value of additional death and/or living benefits are considered, if applicable, in determining the fair market value (FMV) of an annuity TSA to Roth IRA direct rollover within the same contract. The FMV is the contract value plus the present value of the additional benefits and is determined as of the date of the direct rollover. This is the amount that is reported on IRS Form 1099-R. I wish the direct rollover to be accomplished without surrendering the current TSA contract and purchasing a new Roth IRA contract. I understand that this can only be done if 100% of the contract value is directly rolled and the provisions of my contract allow such direct rollovers.

Direct rollover from this TSA to a traditional IRA or SEP IRA using the same contract number (keep same contract number but change it to an IRA). I wish the direct rollover to be accomplished without surrendering the current TSA contract and purchasing a new traditional IRA contract. I understand that this can only be done if 100% of the contract value is directly rolled to an IRA and the provisions of my contract allow such direct rollovers.

Part 8 Withholding Instructions

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- **Distributions eligible for rollover:** Distributions are subject to mandatory 20% federal income tax unless directly rolled over to another eligible retirement plan (including IRA), or directly converted to a Roth IRA
 - **Distributions not eligible for rollover** (such as required minimum distributions, substantially equal periodic payments, hardships, etc.): 10% federal income tax will be withheld unless you make a different election below.
 - **Direct Conversion to a Roth IRA:** A direct conversion from a TSA to a Roth IRA results in income tax being due on the taxable portion of the transaction. Consult a tax advisor prior to requesting this transaction. No withholding will be taken unless requested below. If you elect withholding, taxes will be taken from the gross distribution amount. Any amount withheld will be considered a distribution (in the form of withholding) and may result in an IRS premature distribution penalty, in addition to the ordinary income taxes that apply to the entire distribution. If the amount withheld is to be rolled over to the Roth IRA, the withholding amount will have to be made up from other assets.
 - **Federal Withholding:** You are liable for federal income tax on the taxable portion of your distribution. If total withholding is not adequate, you may be subject to estimated tax payments and/or penalties.
 - **State Withholding:** Withholding rules vary by state. Clients may have the option to: (1) opt-out of withholding, (2) elect default state tax withholding, or (3) increase the rate of withholding. Depending on the state, state tax withholding could be mandatory, optional, unavailable, or the client may need to complete a state-specific form.
 - If your annuity contract is subject to contractual surrender charges and you elect withholding, surrender charges will apply to the amount withheld.
 - For all tax-qualified annuities: Withholding is taken from the total amount distributed.

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- Please note that taxes withheld per your elections or in accordance with state rules will not be refunded.
- Different withholding rules apply in certain situations: If we do not have a valid Taxpayer Identification Number on the account, if the payment is delivered outside the United States, or if you are a non-resident alien.
- Please consult your tax professional for additional information regarding federal and/or state withholding.

Federal Withholding

Do no withhold federal tax Withhold 10% federal tax Withhold % federal tax - must be more than 10%

State Withholding

- For state tax withholding rules, go to riversource.com/statetax.
- If you do not indicate an election, we will generally follow your choice for federal election unless your state does not allow.
- No state tax withholding will be taken for states where withholding is not available.
- The taxpayer's resident state on file is the state we use for state tax withholding.

Do no withhold state tax Withhold default state tax Withhold % state tax

Part 9 Signatures and Acknowledgements

I have read and understand:

- **I have reviewed the withdrawal provisions and conditions of my contract prior to making my withdrawal selection, and understand the impact taking this withdrawal will have on my values.**
- **I understand if my annuity has an optional benefit rider, certain riders contain features that may be negatively impacted by taking a withdrawal.**
- If my annuity has the SecureSource 4 Plus® benefit, any withdrawal taken (including Required Minimum Distributions) before the Base Doubler effective date will permanently set the Base Doubler value to \$0.
- I understand and agree that this withdrawal may be a taxable event. I have read the Special Tax Notice for Plan Distributions and assume full responsibility for this transaction. I understand and agree that I will be liable for any applicable federal and state income taxes, and any applicable tax penalties.
- I have consulted with a tax advisor regarding the tax laws governing distributions and the tax consequences of this transaction and have done so to the extent I believe necessary.
- If I am requesting a **distribution that is not intended to be a Required Minimum Distribution**, but if I am required to receive **Minimum Distributions** each year, I certify that I have taken out sufficient distributions from this or other 403(b) contracts necessary to satisfy this year's **Required Minimum Distribution**, thereby making this distribution eligible for rollover and subject to 20% mandatory withholding.
- I understand that withdrawal charges may apply to this distribution request. *(Please refer to the product prospectus or contract for details regarding withdrawal charges).*
- I certify that I am aware of the rules and requirements regarding 403(b) account transfers and exchanges and have had the opportunity to consult with my personal tax advisor regarding this transaction. I further acknowledge that I may need to request that my employer enter into an information sharing agreement with, or provide other necessary documentation to, RiverSource Life in order to maintain the tax qualified status of my 403(b) annuity.
- **Waiver of 30-day time period: I have read the Special Tax Notice for Plan Distributions and I understand that I have the right to consider the decision of whether or not to consent to a distribution and/or to elect a direct rollover for at least 30 days. I further understand that if I submit a completed distribution form before this 30-day period expires, I will have waived these rights and processing of my distribution request will begin upon receipt.**

I have read, understand, and agree to each of the items above and I certify that all of the information that I have provided above regarding this distribution request is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Owner Name

Owner Signature

Date (MMDDYYYY)

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If signing as fiduciary, in what capacity are you acting?

POA Conservator/Guardian Other

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Spousal Acknowledgements and Signature

Consent of spouse is required for distributions from 403(b) plans that are subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). If you are unsure if your plan is subject to ERISA (and consequently spousal consent requirements) check with your plan sponsor. (Usually your employer).

Generally:

- 403(b) plans sponsored by a governmental entity such as a public school or university are not subject to ERISA.
- 403(b) plans sponsored by a church or qualified church controlled organization are generally not subject to ERISA, however some exceptions may apply.
- 403(b) plans sponsored by a 501(c)(3) (non-profit) organization may be subject to ERISA depending on the design and operation of the plan.

Spousal Consent

 The spouse's signature must be witnessed by either the Plan Sponsor/Administrator or a Notary Public.

Owner's marital status: Single Married Widowed Divorced

I understand that, as the owner's spouse, I have certain rights concerning his or her benefits, including the right to receive any death benefits unless I consent to another disposition. I hereby consent to the above requested withdrawal and I acknowledge that this consent will have the effect of waiving any and all rights concerning this withdrawal.

Spouse Name	Spouse Social Security Number
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Spouse Signature	Date (MMDDYYYY)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>

Notarization

State of :

County of :

On , 20 , yr *Name of Spouse* personally appeared before me,

- who is personally known to me
- whose identity I proved on the basis of
- whose identity I proved on the oath/affirmation of a credible witness

To be the signer of the above document, and he/she acknowledged that he/she signed it.

Signature of Notary	Date (MMDDYYYY)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>

This notarization must include the Notary's official seal to be accepted as complete. The seal must be affixed by inked stamp imprint (preferred), or photocopiable emboss. Electronic notarizations cannot be accepted.

Notary Seal:

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Plan Sponsor/Third Party Administrator Acknowledgements and Signature

For governmental and ERISA plans, the requested transaction has been approved and meets applicable legal requirements; OR for 501(c)(3) non-ERISA plans, the Plan Sponsor or Third Party Administrator represents that the participant had a termination of employment if Part 2 indicates that the distribution is based on severance of employment.

For ERISA Plans, with the authority to act on behalf of the Plan, I certify that the marital status selected is correct and if the participant is married and the Notary section has not been completed, the participant's spouse

(name of spouse)

personally appeared before me with evidence to be the person whose name is named above and executed the foregoing document voluntarily.

Plan Sponsor/Third Party Administrator Authorized Signer Name

Plan Sponsor/Third Party Administrator Signature

Date (MMDDYYYY)

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Plan Sponsor/Designated Plan Administrator Notes Section –

\$ Amount approved if different than requested

SPECIAL TAX NOTICE FOR PLAN DISTRIBUTIONS

For Payments Not From a Designated Roth Account

YOUR ROLLOVER OPTIONS

You are receiving this notice because all or a portion of a payment you are receiving from your 403(b) annuity or custodial account relating to your employer's plan is eligible to be rolled over to an IRA or an employer plan. This notice is intended to help you decide whether to do such a rollover.

This notice describes the rollover rules that apply to payments from the Plan that are not from a designated Roth account (a type of account with special tax rules in some employer plans). If you also receive a payment from a designated Roth account in the Plan, you will be provided a different notice for that payment, and the Plan administrator or the payor will tell you the amount that is being paid from each account.

Rules that apply to most payments from a plan are described in the "General Information About Rollovers" section. Special rules that only apply in certain circumstances are described in the "Special Rules and Options" section.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ROLLOVERS

How can a rollover affect my taxes?

You will be taxed on a payment from the Plan if you do not roll it over. If you are under age 59½ and do not do a rollover, you will also have to pay a 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies). However, if you do a rollover, you will not have to pay tax until you receive payments later and the 10% additional income tax will not apply if those payments are made after you are age 59½ (or if an exception applies).

Where may I roll over the payment?

You may roll over the payment to either an IRA (an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity) or an employer plan (a tax-qualified plan, section 403(b) plan, or governmental section 457(b) plan) that will accept the rollover. The rules of the IRA or employer plan that holds the rollover will determine your investment options, fees, and rights to payment from the IRA or employer plan (for example, no spousal consent rules apply to IRAs and IRAs may not provide loans). Further, the amount rolled over will become subject to the tax rules that apply to the IRA or employer plan.

How do I do a rollover?

There are two ways to do a rollover. You can do either a direct rollover or a 60-day rollover.

If you do a direct rollover, the Plan will make the payment directly to your IRA or an employer plan. You should contact the IRA sponsor or the administrator of the employer plan for information on how to do a direct rollover.

If you do not do a direct rollover, you may still do a rollover by making a deposit into an IRA or eligible employer plan that will accept it. You will have 60 days after you receive the payment to make the deposit. If you do not do a direct rollover, the Plan is required to withhold 20% of the payment for federal income taxes (up to the amount of cash and property received other than employer stock). This means that, in order to roll over the entire payment in a 60-day rollover, you must use other funds to make up for the 20% withheld. If you do not roll over the entire amount of the payment, the portion not rolled over will be taxed and will be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions if you are under age 59½ (unless an exception applies).

How much may I roll over?

If you wish to do a rollover, you may roll over all or part of the amount eligible for rollover. Any payment from the Plan is eligible for rollover, except:

- Certain payments spread over a period of at least 10 years or over your life or life expectancy (or the lives or joint life expectancy of you and your beneficiary)
- Required minimum distributions after age 70½ (or after death)
- Hardship distributions
- ESOP dividends
- Corrective distributions of contributions that exceed tax law limitations
- Loans treated as deemed distributions (for example, loans in default due to missed payments before your employment ends)
- Cost of life insurance paid by the Plan
- Payments of certain automatic enrollment contributions requested to be withdrawn within 90 days of the first contribution
- Amounts treated as distributed because of a prohibited allocation of S corporation stock under an ESOP (also, there will generally be adverse tax consequences if you roll over a distribution of S corporation stock to an IRA).

The Plan administrator or the payor can tell you what portion of a payment is eligible for rollover.

If I don't do a rollover, will I have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions?

If you are under age 59½, you will have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions for any payment from the Plan (including amounts withheld for income tax) that you do not roll over, unless one of the exceptions listed below applies. This tax is in addition to the regular income tax on the payment not rolled over.

The 10% additional income tax does not apply to the following payments from the Plan:

- Payments made after you separate from service if you will be at least age 55 in the year of the separation
- Payments that start after you separate from service if paid at least annually in equal or close to equal amounts over your life or life expectancy (or the lives or joint life expectancy of you and your beneficiary)
- Payments from a governmental defined benefit pension plan made after you separate from service if you are a public safety employee and you are at least age 50 in the year of the separation
- Payments made due to disability
- Payments after your death
- Payments of ESOP dividends
- Corrective distributions of contributions that exceed tax law limitations
- Cost of life insurance paid by the Plan
- Contributions made under special automatic enrollment rules that are withdrawn pursuant to your request within 90 days of enrollment
- Payments made directly to the government to satisfy a federal tax levy

Do not send to Home Office

- Payments made under a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO)
- Payments up to the amount of your deductible medical expenses
- Certain payments made while you are on active duty if you were a member of a reserve component called to duty after September 11, 2001 for more than 179 days
- Payments of certain automatic enrollment contributions requested to be withdrawn within 90 days of the first contribution.

If I do a rollover to an IRA, will the 10% additional income tax apply to early distributions from the IRA?

If you receive a payment from an IRA when you are under age 59½, you will have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions from the IRA, unless an exception applies. In general, the exceptions to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions from an IRA are the same as the exceptions listed above for early distributions from a plan. However, there are a few differences for payments from an IRA, including:

- There is no exception for payments after separation from service that are made after age 55.
- The exception for qualified domestic relations orders (QDROs) does not apply (although a special rule applies under which, as part of a divorce or separation agreement, a tax-free transfer may be made directly to an IRA of a spouse or former spouse).
- The exception for payments made at least annually in equal or close to equal amounts over a specified period applies without regard to whether you have had a separation from service.
- There are additional exceptions for (1) payments for qualified higher education expenses, (2) payments up to \$10,000 used in a qualified first-time home purchase, and (3) payments for health insurance premiums after you have received unemployment compensation for 12 consecutive weeks (or would have been eligible to receive unemployment compensation but for self-employed status).

Will I owe State income taxes?

This notice does not describe any State or local income tax rules (including withholding rules).

Special Rules And Options

If your payment includes after-tax contributions

After-tax contributions included in a payment are not taxed. If a payment is only part of your benefit, an allocable portion of your after-tax contributions is included in the payment, so you cannot take a payment of only after-tax contributions. However, if you have pre-1987 after-tax contributions maintained in a separate account, a special rule may apply to determine whether the after-tax contributions are included in a payment. In addition, special rules apply when you do a rollover, as described below.

You may roll over to an IRA a payment that includes after-tax contributions through either a direct rollover or a 60-day rollover. You must keep track of the aggregate amount of the after-tax contributions in all of your IRAs (in order to determine your taxable income for later payments from the IRAs). If you do a direct rollover of only a portion of the amount paid from the Plan and at the same time the rest is paid to you, the portion directly rolled over consists first of the amount that would be taxable if not rolled over. For example, assume you are receiving a distribution of \$12,000, of which \$2,000 is after-tax contributions. In this case, if you directly roll over \$10,000 to an IRA that is not a Roth IRA, no amount is taxable because the \$2,000 amount not directly rolled over is treated as being after-tax contributions. If you do a direct rollover of the entire amount paid from the Plan to two or more destinations at the same time, you can choose which destination receives the after-tax contributions.

If you do a 60-day rollover to an IRA of only a portion of a payment made to you, the after-tax contributions are treated as rolled over last. For example, assume you are receiving a distribution of \$12,000, of which \$2,000 is after-tax contributions, and no part of the distribution is directly rolled over. In this case, if you roll over \$10,000 to an IRA that is not a Roth IRA in a 60-day rollover, no amount is taxable because the \$2,000 amount not rolled over is treated as being after-tax contributions.

You may roll over to an employer plan all of a payment that includes after-tax contributions, but only through a direct rollover (and only if the receiving plan separately accounts for after-tax contributions and is not a governmental section 457(b) plan). You can do a 60-day rollover to an employer plan of part of a payment that includes after-tax contributions, but only up to the amount of the payment that would be taxable if not rolled over.

If you miss the 60-day rollover deadline

Generally, the 60-day rollover deadline cannot be extended. However, the IRS has the limited authority to waive the deadline under certain extraordinary circumstances, such as when external events prevented you from completing the rollover by the 60-day rollover deadline. To apply for a waiver, you must file a private letter ruling request with the IRS. Private letter ruling requests require the payment of a nonrefundable user fee. For more information, see IRS Publication 590-A, *Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*.

If your payment includes employer stock that you do not roll over

If you do not do a rollover, you can apply a special rule to payments of employer stock (or other employer securities) that are either attributable to after-tax contributions or paid in a lump sum after separation from service (or after age 59½, disability, or the participant's death). Under the special rule, the net unrealized appreciation on the stock will not be taxed when distributed from the Plan and will be taxed at capital gain rates when you sell the stock. Net unrealized appreciation is generally the increase in the value of employer stock after it was acquired by the Plan. If you do a rollover for a payment that includes employer stock (for example, by selling the stock and rolling over the proceeds within 60 days of the payment), the special rule relating to the distributed employer stock will not apply to any subsequent payments from the IRA or employer plan. The Plan administrator can tell you the amount of any net unrealized appreciation.

If you have an outstanding loan that is being offset

If you have an outstanding loan from the Plan, your Plan benefit may be offset by the amount of the loan, typically when your employment ends. The loan offset amount is treated as a distribution to you at the time of the offset and will be taxed (including the 10% additional income tax on early distributions, unless an exception applies) unless you do a 60-day rollover in the amount of the loan offset to an IRA or employer plan.

If you were born on or before January 1, 1936

If you were born on or before January 1, 1936 and receive a lump sum distribution that you do not roll over, special rules for calculating the amount of the tax on the payment might apply to you. For more information, see IRS Publication 575, *Pension and Annuity Income*.

If your payment is from a governmental section 457(b) plan

If the Plan is a governmental section 457(b) plan, the same rules described elsewhere in this notice generally apply, allowing you to roll over the payment to an IRA or an employer plan that accepts rollovers. One difference is that, if you do not do a rollover, you will not have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions from the Plan even if you are under age 59½ (unless the payment is from a separate account holding rollover contributions that were made to the Plan from a tax-qualified plan, a section 403(b) plan, or an IRA). However, if you do a rollover to an IRA or to an employer plan that is not a governmental section 457(b) plan, a later distribution made before age 59½ will be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies). Other differences are that you cannot do a rollover if the payment is due to an "unforeseeable emergency" and the special rules under "If your payment includes employer stock that you do not roll over" and "If you were born on or before January 1, 1936" do not apply.

If you are an eligible retired public safety officer and your pension payment is used to pay for health coverage or qualified long-term care insurance

If the Plan is a governmental plan, you retired as a public safety officer, and your retirement was by reason of disability or was after normal retirement age, you can exclude from your taxable income plan payments paid directly as premiums to an accident or health plan (or a qualified long-term care insurance contract) that your employer maintains for you, your spouse, or your dependents, up to a maximum of \$3,000 annually. For this purpose, a public safety officer is a law enforcement officer, firefighter, chaplain, or member of a rescue squad or ambulance crew.

If you roll over your payment to a Roth IRA

If you roll over a payment from the Plan to a Roth IRA, a special rule applies under which the amount of the payment rolled over (reduced by any aftertax amounts) will be taxed. However, the 10% additional income tax on early distributions will not apply (unless you take the amount rolled over out of the Roth IRA within 5 years, counting from January 1 of the year of the rollover).

If you roll over the payment to a Roth IRA, later payments from the Roth IRA that are qualified distributions will not be taxed (including earnings after the rollover). A qualified distribution from a Roth IRA is a payment made after you are age 59½ (or after your death or disability, or as a qualified first-time home buyer distribution of up to \$10,000) and after you have had a Roth IRA for at least 5 years. In applying this 5-year rule, you count from January 1 of the year for which your first contribution was made to a Roth IRA. Payments from the Roth IRA that are not qualified distributions will be taxed to the extent of earnings after the rollover, including the 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies). You do not have to take required minimum distributions from a Roth IRA during your lifetime. For more information, see IRS Publication 590-A, *Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, and IRS Publication 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*.

If you do a rollover to a designated Roth account in the Plan

You cannot roll over a distribution to a designated Roth account in another employer's plan. However, you can roll the distribution over into a designated Roth account in the distributing Plan. If you roll over a payment from the Plan to a designated Roth account in the Plan, the amount of the payment rolled over (reduced by any after-tax amounts directly rolled over) will be taxed. However, the 10% additional tax on early distributions will not apply (unless you take the amount rolled over out of the designated Roth account within the 5-year period that begins on January 1 of the year of the rollover). If you roll over the payment to a designated Roth account in the Plan, later payments from the designated Roth account that are qualified distributions will not be taxed (including earnings after the rollover). A qualified distribution from a designated Roth account is a payment made both after you are age 59½ (or after your death or disability) and after you have had a designated Roth account in the Plan for at least 5 years. In applying this 5-year rule, you count from January 1 of the year your first contribution was made to the designated Roth account. However, if you made a direct rollover to a designated Roth account in the Plan from a designated Roth account in a plan of another employer, the 5-year period begins on January 1 of the year you made the first contribution to the designated Roth account in the Plan or, if earlier, to the designated Roth account in the plan of the other employer. Payments from the designated Roth account that are not qualified distributions will be taxed to the extent of earnings after the rollover, including the 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies).

If you are not a plan participant

Payments after death of the participant. If you receive a distribution after the participant's death that you do not roll over, the distribution will generally be taxed in the same manner described elsewhere in this notice. However, the 10% additional income tax on early distributions does not apply, and the special rule described under the section "If you were born on or before January 1, 1936" applies only if the participant was born on or before January 1, 1936.

If you are a surviving spouse. If you receive a payment from the Plan as the surviving spouse of a deceased participant, you have the same rollover options that the participant would have had, as described elsewhere in this notice. In addition, if you choose to do a rollover to an IRA, you may treat the IRA as your own or as an inherited IRA.

An IRA you treat as your own is treated like any other IRA of yours, so that payments made to you before you are age 59½ will be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies) and required minimum distributions from your IRA do not have to start until after you are age 70½. If you treat the IRA as an inherited IRA, payments from the IRA will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions. However, if the participant had started taking required minimum distributions, you will have to receive required minimum distributions from the inherited IRA. If the participant had not started taking required minimum distributions from the Plan, you will not have to start receiving required minimum distributions from the inherited IRA until the year the participant would have been age 70½.

If you are a surviving beneficiary other than a spouse. If you receive a payment from the Plan because of the participant's death and you are a designated beneficiary other than a surviving spouse, the only rollover option you have is to do a direct rollover to an inherited IRA. Payments from the inherited IRA will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions. You will have to receive required minimum distributions from the inherited IRA.

Payments under a qualified domestic relations order. If you are the spouse or former spouse of the participant who receives a payment from the Plan under a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO), you generally have the same options the participant would have (for example, you may roll over the payment to your own IRA or an eligible employer plan that will accept it). Payments under the QDRO will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions.

If you are a nonresident alien

If you are a nonresident alien and you do not do a direct rollover to a U.S. IRA or U.S. employer plan, instead of withholding 20%, the Plan is generally required to withhold 30% of the payment for federal income taxes. If the amount withheld exceeds the amount of tax you owe (as may happen if you do a 60-day rollover), you may request an income tax refund by filing Form 1040NR and attaching your Form 1042-S. See Form W-8BEN for claiming that you are entitled to a reduced rate of withholding under an income tax treaty. For more information, see also IRS Publication 519, *U.S. Tax Guide for Aliens*, and IRS Publication 515, *Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities*.

Other special rules

If a payment is one in a series of payments for less than 10 years, your choice whether to make a direct rollover will apply to all later payments in the series (unless you make a different choice for later payments).

If your payments for the year are less than \$200 (not including payments from a designated Roth account in the Plan), the Plan is not required to allow you to do a direct rollover and is not required to withhold for federal income taxes. However, you may do a 60-day rollover.

Unless you elect otherwise, a mandatory cashout of more than \$1,000 (not including payments from a designated Roth account in the Plan) will be directly rolled over to an IRA chosen by the Plan administrator or the payor. A mandatory cashout is a payment from a plan to a participant made before age 62 (or normal retirement age, if later) and without consent, where the participant's benefit does not exceed \$5,000 (not including any amounts held under the plan as a result of a prior rollover made to the plan).

You may have special rollover rights if you recently served in the U.S. Armed Forces. For more information, see IRS Publication 3, *Armed Forces' Tax Guide*.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

You may wish to consult with the Plan administrator or payor, or a professional tax advisor, before taking a payment from the Plan. Also, you can find more detailed information on the federal tax treatment of payments from employer plans in: IRS Publication 575, *Pension and Annuity Income*; IRS Publication 590-A, *Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*; IRS Publication 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*; and IRS Publication 571, *Tax-Sheltered Annuity Plans (403(b) Plans)*. These publications are available from a local IRS office, on the web at www.irs.gov, or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM