

# Advice of SSS Member Ceasing Employment or Aged 65 and Over, Wishing to be Paid a Benefit

# Notes for employers

#### Use this form:

- to let us know at once about any employees contributing to SSS who have ceased employment with you, or
- to give us details of members aged 65 and over who are still employed but wish to be paid their benefit.

# How should the information be sent to Mercer?

You can complete an Advice of Member Ceasing Employment form online via the State Super Employer Portal or use this form and email to:

SSS Benefits@mercer.com

or post to:

State Super (SSS) GPO Box 2181

Melbourne VIC 3001

#### Exit reason

The reason for exit can be one of the following:

- aged 65
- resignation
- invalidity
- early voluntary retirement
- discharge

- death
- age retirement
- dismissal
- retrenchment
- For exits due to invalidity, age retirement, retrenchment or over age 65, please complete appropriate section overleaf.

# Annual (or attributed) full-time salary

The annual salary rate to be provided is:

- If the employee is less than age 70 the 'superable' salary applicable on the date of the employee's exit.
- If the employee has reached age 70 the 'superable' salary applicable on their 70th birthday.

If the employee works part-time, you need to give us the actual part-time salary and the equivalent full-time salary on which the part-time salary is based so that we can make the necessary calculations.

# Age 65 or over

This exit reason should be used where a member is aged 65 or over, and is still working but wishes to be paid a benefit.

You will still need to satisfy any superannuation guarantee (SG) requirements on their behalf, from the date they exit SSS. The SG contributions may be paid to another complying superannuation fund of the employee's choice.

# Age retirement, or over age 65: statement of broken service

If employment is ceasing due to age retirement or over 65, you need to provide the dates of any periods of prior service which have been recognised for accrual of the employee's long service leave. This is to establish the total length of service for the benefit calculation.

If the employee has worked for you for a longer period than they have been a member of the scheme, please also record in this section the time period they were not in the scheme.

Leave without pay periods and casual employment periods are **not** required.

#### **Grounds for retrenchment**

If the employee has been retrenched, please indicate the specific grounds for the retrenchment in the Retrenchment section of this form.

If the employee has been retrenched and is aged between 50 and 55, they can choose to defer payment of their benefits until age 55 by electing to take the special deferred retirement benefit (payable under section 37B), provided the employer agrees to this. This means both the employer and the employee will pay extra contributions to fund the higher entitlement due at age 55. Please indicate whether you agree that the employee may apply for the special deferred retirement benefit.

### Any other queries?

Check in your Employer Easy Reference Guide (EERG), or contact Mercer's Employer help line on 1300 142 708. The EERG is available on our website at www.statesuper.nsw.gov.au. Alternatively you can email questions to STC\_Employer@mercer.com

### If you need help with this form

	2. Salary and contributions details (continued)
	Has the member's salary been reduced since the most recent annual review day? If yes, please advise the reason for the reduction. (Where a salary reduction is due to medical reasons, the member may be entitled to exit the scheme based on the higher salary held at the previous annual review day)
	no reduction in salary
	yes - the reduction in salary was due to ill-health
	yes - the reduction in salary was due to a redeployment to a lower paid position not as an alternative to retrenchment but as a result of re-organisation or restructure and not related to incompetence or disciplinary action.
	yes - the reduction in salary was due to a redeployment to a lower paid position in lieu of retrenchment and the reduction in salary happened either immediately or after the cessation of a 'make-up' allowance.
	yes - other, please specify
	Has the member's salary increased by more than \$10,000? Yes or No If yes provide reason for the increase
	Date to which contributions have been deducted (DD-MM-YYYY)
	Amounts deducted from salary from 1 July to exit date in same financial year
	\$ — normal contributions
	\$ — reserve unit contributions
	If exit date falls between 1 July and 31 August, please also provide amounts deducted from previous financial year
	\$ — normal contributions
	\$ — reserve unit contributions
	3. Invalidity
Complete this section	The above employee is physically or mentally incapable of carrying out their normal duties as:  Employee's occupation
only if the exit reason is invalidity.	
a.u.iy	and accordingly (indicate one of the following):
	was medically retired was dismissed resigned

	4. Age retirement or over age 65												
	Service broken from (DD-MM-YYYY) Service broken to (DD-MM-YYYY)												
Complete this section, for statement of broken service, only if the exit reason is age retirement or over age 65 and the employee has separate periods of prior service with a NSW Public Sector Employer.  Leave without pay periods and casual employment	Years Months Days												
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	If there were more than three periods of broken service, please give details on a separate page and attach it to this form												
	5. Retrenchment												
	I certify that the employee has been retrenched on the following ground(s) as indicated.												
Complete this section only if the exit reason is	Mark one box.												
retrenchment.	1 Employment has been <b>compulsorily terminated</b> because:												
	the services of the employee are no longer required and their position is not to be reinstated												
	the work for which the employee was engaged has been completed												
	the quantity of work has diminished and has rendered necessary a reduction in the number of employees, or												
	the employee has <b>accepted an offer</b> from the employer to terminate employment on one of the grounds specified above.												
	If retrenchment is between ages 50 and 55 (see Notes), does the employer agree to the payment of the special deferred retirement benefit under section 37B, should the member choose to apply for it?												
	Yes No												

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