

Tax File Number collection

Important information about your tax file number (TFN)

Giving us your TFN means you pay the correct tax

Under the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993, your superannuation fund is authorised to collect your TFN, which will only be used for lawful purposes. These purposes may change in the future as a result of legislative change. The Trustee of your fund may disclose your TFN to another superannuation provider, when your benefits are being transferred, unless you request us in writing that your TFN not be disclosed to any other superannuation provider. It is not an offence not to quote your TFN. However, giving your TFN to your superannuation fund will have the following advantages (which may not otherwise apply):

- the tax applicable to employer (concessional) contributions (including salary sacrifice contributions) made to your superannuation account will not increase (see further information below)
- we will be able to accept non-concessional (after-tax) contributions on your behalf
- other than the tax that may ordinarily apply, no additional tax will be deducted when you start drawing down your superannuation benefits
- it will make it much easier to trace different superannuation accounts in your name so that you receive all your superannuation benefits when you retire.

Under Commonwealth legislation, where accounts were opened prior to 1 July 2007, the fund is liable to pay additional income tax on assessable contributions that reach or exceed \$1,000 in any financial year (i.e. concessional contributions such as employer and salary sacrifice contributions). The extra tax is payable on all assessable contributions made in that income year, including the first \$1,000.

The tax on concessional contributions is generally payable at the rate of 15%. However, if a fund does not hold the TFN of a member, then an additional tax of 32% is payable on those contributions, meaning that in total those

contributions will be taxed at 47%. The additional tax is determined at the end of a financial year. A member has until the end of a financial year to supply their TFN, if it has not been supplied then the additional tax is payable.

Following changes to the Superannuation Act 1916, the State Authorities Superannuation Act 1987 and the Police Regulation (Superannuation) Act 1906, the Trustee requires member benefits to be reduced by the No TFN contributions tax amount to enable the fund to recover the additional tax paid. If additional tax has been paid, a No TFN contributions tax debt account will be established and the balance of the debt account will be shown on your annual statements.

If a member supplies their TFN within 3 years of the tax becoming payable, then the fund is able to recover the tax back from the ATO. Therefore if you have a No TFN contributions tax debt account, you may be able to have some of the amount reduced if you subsequently provide your TFN. The fund is unable to recover any No TFN contributions tax from the ATO that was payable outside the 3 year timeframe.

Enquiries ...

Your TFN can also be supplied via the Member Area of the website or by contacting Customer Service.

For more information about your TFN, contact the ATO Superannuation Hotline on 13 10 20.

If you need help with this form

Contact Customer Service between 8:30 am and 5:30 pm AEST from Mon-Fri on Deferred Benefits 1300 130 094 or SASS 1300 130 095 or SSS 1300 130 096 or PSS 1300 130 097 or email **enquiries@stc.nsw.gov.au**

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