

Armed Forces and Reserve Forces Pension Schemes Armed Forces Pension Schemes Application Form

CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF PRESERVED PENSION BENEFITS

Please make sure you answer all the relevant questions and complete the form in block capitals
If you need help, contact JPAC on 0800 085 3600

This form should be completed and despatched to the address given on Page 7.

(AFPS75 / FTRS97 / AFPS05 / RFPS05 / AFPS15 / RFPS15) Immediately if permanently incapacitated. (AFPS75 / FTRS97 / RGPS75) 3 months before your 60th birthday or 3 months before your 65th birthday.

(You can claim the element of pension due at 65 on an actuarily reduced basis at age 60). (For FTRS you can claim deferred benefits due at age 65 on an actuarily reduced basis at any time between age 60 and age 65).

(AFPS05 / RFPS05) 3 months before your 65th birthday or from age 55 on an actuarily reduced basis. (AFPS15 / RGPS15) 3 months before reaching State Pension age or from age 55 onwards on an actuarily reduced basis.

AFPS75 Applicants who have Military Service which spans 05 Apr 06, will have to submit two claims one at age 60 and another at age 65, to apply for that element of Pension due.

Part A – Your Details
Rank
First name
Surname
Service number
If you have changed your name since leaving service, please provide supporting documentation. For example, a copy of your marriage certificate/deed poll, showing your change of name. Copies only, please do not send originals.
Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms, Dr, Rev)
National Insurance number
Date of Birth
Contact address. All communications will be sent to this address.
Address

Part A - continued

Telephone number

Email address

Part B – Application for Pension Benefits

Please place a tick in the appropriate boxes below

My pension is subject to a Pension Sharing Order

Yes

No

AFPS75 / RGPS75 / FTRS97 / NRPS / AFPS05 / RFPS05 / AFPS15

Early due to ill-health

Please ensure that you also complete the EPPP Annex B-C form and submit this along with your AFPS Form 8.

AFPS75 / RGPS75 / FTRS97 / NRPS

I wish to claim AFPS75 / RGPS75 / FTRS97 / NRPS Pension/lump sum

Age 60 having completed reckonable service before 5 April 2006

Age 60 plus early payment of age 65 benefits actuarially reduced having served after 5 April 2006

Age 65 full entitlement having served after 5 April 2006

FTRS97 ONLY AGE 65 ELEMENT

I wish to claim an actuarially reduced pension from (Date must between your 60th and 65th birthday)

AFPS05 / RFPS05

I wish to claim my AFPS05 / RFPS05 Pension benefits/lump sum

Age 65

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I wish to claim an actuarially reduced pension from (Date must between your 55th and 65th birthday)

AFPS15 / RFPS15

Age 65 full entitlement having served after 5 April 2006

I wish to claim AFPS15 or RGPS15, benefits having reached State Pension Age

I wish to claim an actuarially reduced Pension from (Date must between your 55th birthday and State Pension Age)

To delay payment beyond State Pension Age until

To commute my pension to raise a lump sum as an amount £ or as a % (up to a maximum of 25%)

%

Part C - Bank Account Details

Please indicate below how you would like your pension and any lump sum paid. I would like my Pension and any lump sum paid into my account.		
UK Bank Account/Building Society	Overseas Bank Account (see note below)	
Full name and address of Bank/Building Society		
	Postcode	
Name(s) of account holder		

Sort code

Account number

If you want to have your pensions and any lump sums paid into an overseas bank please go to: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/overseas-pensions-payment-mandates where you will find copies of the relevant overseas payment mandate. On completion of the mandate, it must be sent to Veterans UK, Process Team MP 335, Kentigern House, 65 Brown Street, Glasgow G2 8EX

Payment Account Details

Building Society roll number

- We can make payments to overseas accounts but require you to print out and complete the relevant overseas payment mandate, please refer to note above
- We cannot make payments to a Post Office Account
- * We cannot make payments to a third party; you must provide an account or joint account in your name

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HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) Required Information (Parts J-M)

As a result of legislation introduced by HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) we require the details of other pension awards that you are in receipt of. Under HMRC legislation we cannot process any payment of benefits if this information is not provided.

From 6 April 2024, there is a limit on the total amount of lump sums and lump sum death benefits that you can receive free from Income Tax. These are the Lump Sum Allowance (LSA) and the Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance (LSDBA). The limits are based on the 2024 Lifetime Allowance (LTA) rates however may be higher if you have former LTA protection.

If you require more information about LTA, Primary or Fixed Protection please seek guidance from HMRC directly prior to completing and returning the form.

Part D - Important note - Please read as this may impact on your future financial well-being

Further details on the recycling of Pension Lump Sums can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/hmrc-internal-manuals/pensions-tax-manual/ptm133810

You can also call HMRC helpline on **0300 123 1079**. If you are calling from abroad telephone **+44 (0) 300 123 1079**.

The notes below are for your guidance only. If in doubt, please discuss this matter with HMRC in the first instance.

If you intend to use some or all your Pension Lump Sum to re-invest in another pension arrangement, known as 'Recycling', special rules apply. If you **do not intend to re-invest** currently in another pension arrangement, answer **no** to question (i) below and **go to Part E**.

Please note:

Veterans UK has a legislative duty to record pension re-investment, inform HMRC of your investment intent and report breaches of the recycling rules.

Veterans UK report to HMRC does not remove the legislative requirement for you to independently report your investment or investment intent to HMRC.

If you intend to re-invest some or all of your pension lump sum into another pension arrangement and your lump sum is less than £7,500, the pension recycling rule does not affect you. If this is the case, your answer to question (ii) below will be no and you should then **go to Part E**.

If the amount which you are re-investing in another pension arrangement is less than 30% of your Pension Lump Sum, the pension recycling rule does not affect you. If this is the case your answer to question (iii) below will be **no** and you should then **go to Part E.**

Warning. If you **re-invest** and **breach** the current recycling allowance, HMRC consider this to be an unauthorised (Pension Scheme) member payment and you will be liable to tax on the reinvested amount at **40%** which will also attract a further **15% pension surcharge** i.e., you will be liable to a tax charge of 55%

(i)	Do you intend to use any part of your lump sum to fund additional pension contributions to any other pension scheme?	Yes	No
(ii)	Is your pension lump sum less than £7,500?	Yes	No
(iii)	Does the amount you have invested/are investing exceed 30% of your retirement lump sum?	Yes	No

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Part E - Payment of Other Pension(s)

Do you have any other Pension(s) currently in payment or any that are due to be paid on or before your Armed Forces award date?

Yes

No

If yes, please complete the details below. If no, go to Part F

Please fill in these boxes for any pensions put into payment after 06 April 2006 only

Name of pension	Ref number	Date payment	LTA percentage	Gross lump sum
scheme		started or due to		paid
		start		

Please fill in these boxes for any pensions put into payment before 06 April 2006 only

Name of pension scheme	Ref number	Date payment started	Gross annual amount in	Gross lump sum paid
			payment	

Part F		
I have requested a Transitional Tax-Free Amount Certificate from another pension scheme	Yes	No
I have sent you a copy of the Transitional Tax-Free Amount Certificate	Yes	No

If you have not already done so, you must provide or attach a copy of the Transitional Tax-Free Amount Certificate quoting your service number.

Part G		
I have obtained individual enhanced, Primary or Fixed Protection from HMRC	Yes	No
I have sent you a copy of the Protection Certificate	Yes	No

If you have not already done so, you must provide or attach a copy of the Protection Certificate quoting your service number.

Part H - Data Protection

How the MOD collects and uses personal information

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) is committed to protecting the privacy and security of your personal data and the MOD Privacy notice explains your rights and provides information that you are entitled to under UK data protection legislation. It is important that you read this notice, together with any other privacy notice that may be provided when we collect or process personal information about you so that you are aware of how and why we are using such information. The MOD Personal information charter contains the standards you can expect when we ask for, hold, or share your personal information and your rights under the law.

Part I - Declaration

I confirm that

the information I have given is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I understand that

- I must immediately tell the MOD of anything that may affect my entitlement to, or the amount of, payment made under any scheme administered by Veterans UK, including any change of address.
- if I knowingly give false information, I may be liable to prosecution.

I agree

 to refund any sum paid as a result of this claim in the event that an overpayment is made for any reason

Remember – You must sign this form yourself if you can, even if someone else has filled it in for you. If a representative who acts as a Power of Attorney or Appointee for the claimant is signing this form, they must enclose evidence to show that they are the legal representative.

Part J - Consent for email correspondence

Veterans UK is happy to conduct correspondence with customers via a nominated email address if that is their preference. There are some types of personal information we would not be able to include in an email correspondence, which are listed below:

- I authorise Veterans UK of the MOD to use email whenever possible in its correspondence with
 me via my nominated email address shown on the front of this claim form. I accept that the
 information may include my personal details excluding bank account numbers, National Insurance
 number, medical details and any other information that could compromise my identity.
- I understand that correspondence transmitted by email may be open to abuse because it is
 transmitting over an unsecured network. I accept that the MOD will not be liable for any loss,
 interception or unauthorised use of information transmitted this way. I am content for Veterans UK
 to correspond with me from the email address shown at the front of this claim form.

Do you wish to correspond via email?	Yes	No

Part K – Signatures of Applicant and Witness	
Signature of Applicant	
	Date
Witness – I certify that the person named at Part A	has signed this form in my presence
Title	
Surname	
First name	
Address	
	Postcode
Signature of Witness	
	Date
	Date
Please send the completed form to:	
Veterans UK	
Process Team	
MP335 Kentigern House	
65 Brown Street	
Glasgow G2 8EX	
Signature of Applicant and Witness You must sign this form before submitting and ensure	that it is witnessed
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Part L - Acknowledgement



Veterans UK MP335 Kentigern House 65 Brown Street Glasgow G2 8EX Freephone: 0800 085 3600

With complin	nts	
Your AFPS I	rm 8 dated / / has been received.	
Name	Service number	
Address	Postcode	
✓	CHECK OFF THE APPLICABLE ITEMS BELOW BEFORE SUBMITTING THIS	
Change of name – I have enclosed evidence		
Payment Account details – I have provided valid UK account details in my own name		
	Overseas Bank account – I have enclosed the relevant overseas mandate	
	have signed the form and the witness details are completed and signed	
	INCORRECT OR INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL BE REJECTED AND WILLDELAY OUR ABILITY TO ASSESS YOUR CLAIM	

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