

Scheme at a glance

Overview

This fact sheet provides further details regarding the classes of membership for both the Accumulation and Executive Schemes.

For all members of the Scheme's, generally (with the exception of insurance cover) the options and benefits available are the same. The main difference is the classification that you fall under depending on your circumstances.

Accumulation Scheme

Full member

A person who joins as an employee of a Local Government employer is classed as a full member.

You will automatically receive three units of basic insurance cover for death and total and permanent disablement and be eligible to have both you and your employer contribute to your account.

Optional member

Members of the Retirement or Defined Benefit Schemes are eligible to have an account as an optional member.

As an optional member you are able to make additional contributions which are not restricted by the rules governing the Retirement or Defined Benefit Schemes.

As an optional member you will enjoy the same benefits as a full member, except that you are not eligible for basic cover. However, you may still apply for voluntary insurance cover.

Spouse member

If you are a full or optional member of the Scheme, you are able to have an account opened for your spouse to which you are able to make non-concessional (after-tax or personal) contributions (certain eligibility conditions apply).

You may also be able to claim a tax offset for spouse contributions. See your accountant or financial adviser for further information regarding possible tax offsets.

As a spouse member, basic cover is not available however a spouse member may still apply for voluntary insurance cover.

You can obtain a spouse member application form available from the Forms section of the website or from Member Services.

Inactive member

A member who has elected not to transfer to the Public Offer Division or a lost member under Division A. An Inactive member of Division A cannot have basic insurance and cannot make personal contributions or rollover other superannuation monies to the Scheme.

Member

If you have left the employment of a Local Government employer, your membership will be transferred from Division A to Division P.

It is important to note that when you become a member of Division P, your basic insurance cover will continue and you will still be eligible for voluntary insurance.

As a Member of Local Government Super, you will still be able to make contributions and have an employer contribute for Superannuation Guarantee purposes.

Executive Scheme

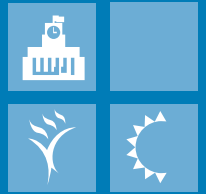
Contributory member

As a Contributory member of the Scheme, you will automatically receive five units of basic insurance cover and be eligible to have both you and your employer contribute to your account.

It is important to note that members who joined the Scheme prior to 1 July 2005 are not eligible for basic insurance cover.

Deferred member

Subject to superannuation law, a contributing member under the age of 70 who becomes entitled to a benefit due to leaving employment with a Local Government employer (except in the event of Death or Total and Permanent Disablement) may elect to retain the benefit in the Scheme and then become a 'Deferred' member.



If you leave employment before age 55 due to retrenchment or discharge (i.e. the expiry or termination of your employment contract except due to breach of contract) and do not make an election to transfer your benefit within 90 days, you will be deemed to have elected to become a deferred member.

If you leave employment for any other reason on or after attaining age 55, you must make an election if you wish to become a deferred member. Otherwise the Trustee will be required to transfer or rollover your benefit out of Local Government Super. You need to note that when you become a deferred member you will no longer be eligible to receive basic insurance cover however you will still be eligible for voluntary insurance.

Beneficiaries

The Scheme gives you the option of making a binding nomination of beneficiary in favour of your legal personal representative.

If you make and maintain a valid binding death benefit nomination notice, then in the event of your death the Trustee is bound to pay your benefit in accordance with that notice.

To make and maintain a valid binding nomination of beneficiary you must:

- Use and correctly complete the Trustee's approved form
- Renew your nomination at least every three years.

A binding nomination will expire three years after being made. At any time you may amend or revoke your nomination.

As the Trustee is bound by your nomination, it is important that you keep this up to date. Before making a binding nomination you should seek professional advice. Our Financial Planners can assist you in this matter.

If you do not have a binding nomination in place, in the event of your death your benefit will be paid to your spouse. If you are not survived by a spouse or there is no spouse, your benefit will be paid to your legal personal representative

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