New Zealand Superannuation
partner’s application

You can apply online. You’ll only be asked questions that are relevant to you. Once you’ve answered the questions, you and your partner will need to meet with us.

To apply or for more information go to seniors.msd.govt.nz or call us on 0800 552 002.

If you’re completing this form, we suggest you read the instructions on pages 1 to 4 before you fill it in, so you get a feel for what’s needed.

If you don’t qualify for NZ Super yourself, your partner can choose to include you in their NZ Super.

If your partner chooses to have you included, you’ll both get paid but any other income either of you get may affect the amount you’re paid. We can help you work out the best option. You also have to be lawfully resident in New Zealand.

A SuperGold Card is a free discounts and concessions card. We’ll automatically send you a card soon after your NZ Super is granted.

How to apply

You and your partner need to:

1. Fill out this application form.
2. Collect all the documents you need to show us. We tell you about these in the application form (look for the 📄) and we also have a list on page 3.
3. Bring this application form and your documents to a meeting. We’ll make sure we have all the information we need and can answer any questions you might have.

If you don’t already have a meeting arranged, contact us on 0800 552 002 so we can set one up for you.

You must give us all the information we need.

If you don’t have all the information we need, talk with us and we may be able to help.

If we find out later that any information you give us is not true, or that you knew information you should have told us and did not tell us, we may stop paying your benefit. You might need to pay money back. In some cases you could even be prosecuted.
Our commitment to YOU

Ka mohio ki a koe — know you
We will get to know you, your situation and your needs
We will use your feedback to improve our service
We will make sure you understand everything you need to know
We will respect your privacy and be clear about how we use your information and who we share it with

Ka tautoko i a koe — support you
We will let you know everything you may be eligible for
The information we give you will be accessible and consistent no matter how you contact us
We will help you however we can, as soon as we can
We will be honest about our mistakes and put them right

Ka mahi tahi ki a koe — with you
We will respect you and what is important to you
We will let you know your options, rights and obligations
We will work together to achieve shared goals
Our actions will follow our words

How did we do?
Let us know by visiting msd.govt.nz/feedback or call us on 0800 552 002
Once you've filled in the application form, use this checklist to tick off all the documents you need for your meeting with us.

Talk to us if you don’t have any of the documents, have given them to us recently or if there might be a delay in getting them.

**What you need to provide**

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<td><strong>If you were born overseas</strong>, bring proof that you have a right to live in New Zealand (for example, a citizenship certificate, a New Zealand passport, a passport from another country with residence class visa or proof of permanent residence).</td>
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<td><strong>All people applying</strong> need to bring two more documents that help to prove who you are (for example, a marriage certificate, bank statement, phone or power account, driver licence).</td>
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<td>Proof of your bank account, such as a bank statement or deposit slip showing the account name, account number and bank logo. If you have to write any of these details yourself, you need to get the bank to stamp and sign the statement or slip.</td>
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**You also need to bring:**

| Proof of your assets and their value. | ☐ | ☐ |
| Proof of payments, if you receive a benefit, allowance or pension from overseas. | ☐ | ☐ |
| Your marriage or civil union certificate, for a current relationship. | ☐ | ☐ |
| Your business accounts, if you have your own business. | ☐ | ☐ |
| Proof of any before-tax income for the 52 weeks before the application (for example, wages, holiday pay and any other income) and details of your income for the last 26 weeks. | ☐ | ☐ |
| Trust documents, if you’re involved in a trust (for example, trust deed, deed of debt, gift statements, accounts). | ☐ | ☐ |
This form is about the partner of the person who qualifies for NZ Super, so it should be completed by the partner. There’s a small section on page 20 for the partner who qualifies for NZ Super to complete and sign.

Tell us about yourself

If you’ve received a benefit or extra financial help from us before, write your client number here if you know it. This number can be found on your Community Services Card if you have one.

Client number

What is your full name?

- Mrs
- Miss
- Ms
- Mr
- Other

First and middle names

Surname or family name

Is the name on your birth certificate the same as above?

- No
- Yes

Tell us the name that is on your birth certificate

First and middle names

Surname or family name

Have you ever been known by any other name?

- No
- Yes

Write them all out below

1.
2.

What name would you like us to call you?

- The name I wrote in Question 1
- The name I wrote in Question 2
- Other

Write the full name
Tell us more about you

What date were you born?

Day  Month  Year

Are you:

- [ ] Male
- [ ] Female
- [ ] Gender diverse

Are you currently receiving weekly compensation payments from ACC?

- [ ] No
- [ ] Yes

If you get weekly compensation payments through ACC, in most cases you can't get NZ Super for the same period. You may be able to get NZ Super if ACC have confirmed:

- you can get both payments for a period of time, or
- the date your ACC payment stopped.

If you need help call ACC on 0800 101 996.

What is your Inland Revenue tax number?

INFORMATION FOR Q9:
If you don’t give us a tax code, your payment will be taxed at the higher ‘no-notification rate’ of 45%.

ATTACHMENT FOR Q9:
If you use tax code ‘STC’ please provide proof from Inland Revenue.

What tax code do you want to use for your NZ Super payments?

You can work out your tax code using the online calculator at ird.govt.nz or phone Inland Revenue on 0800 227 774.

Tell us how we can contact you

Where do you live?

Flat/House number  Street name

Suburb

Town/City

Is your mailing address different from where you live?

- [ ] No
- [ ] Yes

Tell us your mailing address
**How else can we contact you?**

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**Do you agree to get emails from us, including information about discounts and concessions for SuperGold Card holders?**

- [ ] No
- [ ] Yes [Tell us your email address]
- [ ] I don’t have an email address

A SuperGold Card will be sent to you automatically, once your NZ Super is granted. It gives you access to thousands of discounts and concessions from businesses around New Zealand and Australia, and to New Zealand government and/or local council services.

**Tell us your ethnicity**

**INFORMATION FOR Q14:**

We collect this information for statistics we use in research and future development work.

Tick the group(s) you most identify with.

- [ ] Māori [Which tribe(s) or iwi?]
- [ ] New Zealand European
- [ ] Niuean
- [ ] Samoan
- [ ] Indian
- [ ] Other European
- [ ] Tokelauan
- [ ] Tongan
- [ ] Chinese
- [ ] Cook Island Māori
- [ ] Other [Please write below]
- [ ] Do not want to answer

**Tell us about your residence status**

**HOW TO ANSWER Q15:**

This means you consider New Zealand your home, you're a legal resident, you usually live here and you intend to stay.

**HOW TO ANSWER Q17:**

If you were under 20 years old when you first arrived in New Zealand, we can accept an approximate date of arrival. If you were over 20 years old and are not sure of the actual date, talk to us and we can decide whether the date needs to be confirmed.

Do you usually live in New Zealand?

- [ ] No
- [ ] Yes

What best describes your residence status in New Zealand? Tick only one box.

- [ ] New Zealand citizen by birth [Go to question 19]
- [ ] Granted New Zealand citizenship [Go to question 17]
  - [ ] Date citizenship granted
  - [ ] Day
  - [ ] Month
  - [ ] Year
- [ ] Granted permanent residency [Go to question 17]
  - [ ] Date permanent residence granted
  - [ ] Day
  - [ ] Month
  - [ ] Year
- [ ] Other [What is your residence status?]

When did you arrive in New Zealand?

[ ] Day
[ ] Month
[ ] Year
### Tell us if you’ve lived or worked overseas

**INFORMATION FOR Q20:**
Periods of overseas residence may:
- affect entitlement to some benefits/pensions
- mean you’re eligible for an overseas benefit or pension.
For more information, phone 0800 777 227.

**HOW TO ANSWER Q20:**
Your reason for being in a country may be that you were there for a working holiday, you were living there, you were born there. If you don’t know the exact date we’ll accept a month and year.

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### Have you ever lived or worked in any countries outside of New Zealand?

Don’t include holidays of four weeks or less.

- [ ] No  **Go to question 23**
- [ ] Yes  **Please list details below**

Tick the reason(s) for being in each country

### Do you get or qualify for a social security benefit, pension or allowance from overseas?

You need to tell us this because your payments may be affected if you get or are eligible for an overseas pension or benefit.

- [ ] No  **Go to question 23**
- [ ] Don’t know  **Go to question 23**
- [ ] Yes  **Tick the box that best describes your benefit, pension or allowance**

- [ ] Retirement or old age
- [ ] Superannuation
- [ ] Disability or health condition
- [ ] Widow or survivor
- [ ] Child or dependent
- [ ] War related
- [ ] Other
ATTACHMENT FOR Q22:
You’ll need to show us proof of these payments, such as a pension certificate.

If you ticked ‘yes’ for question 21, please give details of the payments you get.

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<td>What is the name of your pension, allowance or benefit?</td>
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ATTACHMENT FOR Q23:
You need to provide proof of your bank account, such as a bank statement or deposit slip.

What bank account would you want your payments to be paid into?

The account is in the name of: 

The account number is: 

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<th>Account number</th>
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Tell us whether you’re a veteran

Have you served with the New Zealand Armed Forces?

[ ] No  [ ] Yes

If you’ve ticked ‘yes’, you may be entitled to a:
- Veteran’s Pension (for more information call 0800 650 656), and/or a
- War Disablement Pension or associated payments (for more information call Veterans’ Affairs New Zealand on 0800 4 VETERAN (0800 483 8372)).
Tell us about work in the last 52 weeks

By ‘work’ we mean any employment for which you or your partner get paid or get other advantages for, such as free or subsidised board, payments in kind, or drawings from a business.

Tell us about your current work

Are you working?

☐ No  Go to question 29  ☐ Yes

What type of work do you do?

☐ Full-time  ☐ Part-time  ☐ Casual

☐ Seasonal  ☐ Self-employed  ☐ Voluntary

Who are you working for?

Employer’s name

Employer’s contact details

Address

Phone number (  )  Fax (  )

Email

How much are you paid each week?

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<th>Amount before tax</th>
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Have you applied, or will you apply, for Paid Parental Leave?

☐ No  Go to question 30  ☐ Yes  Please write the details below

Which child is it for?

How much is it each week?  $

What date will it end?

Day  Month  Year

INFORMATION FOR Q26:
If you have more than one job please record details of your other employers on a separate sheet of paper.
For each job include the information asked for in questions 26 to 28.

INFORMATION FOR Q29:
Paid Parental Leave is paid to eligible parents to care for their newborn or newly adopted child. It’s paid by Inland Revenue.
You may get Best Start tax credits when the Paid Parental Leave ends.

HOW TO ANSWER Q26:
By full-time, we mean you generally work at least 30 hours a week.

HOW TO ANSWER Q28:
Include the amount you’re paid and also the value of things you get from your employer instead of money.
If your income varies week to week – provide an average (for example the average of your last four weeks pay).

INFORMATION FOR Q29:
Paid Parental Leave is paid to eligible parents to care for their newborn or newly adopted child. It’s paid by Inland Revenue.
You may get Best Start tax credits when the Paid Parental Leave ends.
Tell us about your partner’s current work

Is your partner working?

☐ No  Go to question 34  ☐ Yes

What type of work does your partner do?

☐ Full-time  ☐ Part-time  ☐ Casual

☐ Seasonal  ☐ Self-employed  ☐ Voluntary

Who is your partner working for?

Employer’s name

Employer’s contact details

Address

Phone number  (  )  Fax  (  )

Email

How much is your partner paid each week?

Type of payment (include goods or services)  Amount before tax  Amount after tax

1.  $  $

2.  $  $

3.  $  $

4.  $  $

Has your partner applied, or will they apply, for Paid Parental Leave?

☐ No  Go to question 35  ☐ Yes  Please write the details below

Which child is it for?

How much is it each week?  $  $

What date will it end?

Day  Month  Year

INFORMATION FOR Q31:

If your partner has more than one job please record details of your other employers on a separate sheet of paper. For each job include the information asked for in questions 31 to 33.

INFORMATION FOR Q33:

Include the amount your partner’s paid and also the value of things they get from their employer instead of money. If their income varies week to week – provide an average (for example the average of their last four weeks pay).

INFORMATION FOR Q34:

Paid Parental Leave is paid to eligible parents to care for their newborn or newly adopted child. It’s paid by Inland Revenue. Your partner may get Best Start tax credits when the Paid Parental Leave ends.
Tell us about your income and assets

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Did you or your partner get income from any of the following sources in the last 52 weeks?

- Wages or salary
- Termination pay
- Redundancy pay
- Accident compensation (e.g., ACC)
- Income insurance (replacement/protection)
- Farm or business income
- Payments from self-employment or contract work
- Interest from savings, investments, or bonds
- Dividends from shares, unit trusts, or managed funds
- Income from rents
- Payments from three or more boarders or flatmates
- Child Support payments
- Other income for a child
- Maintenance payments
- Payments from a former partner
- Student Allowance, scholarship, or Student Loan living cost payments
- Overseas pension, benefit or allowance payments
- Other superannuation or retirement scheme income – government or private (don’t include NZ Super or Veteran’s Pensions because we already know what you get)
- Income from an estate, if you’ve inherited money
- Income from trusts
- Other

ATTACHMENT FOR Q35:
Bring a copy of your business accounts.

INFORMATION FOR Q35:
In this application form, ‘partner’ means the person you’re married to or in a civil union or relationship with, not a business partner.

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Did you answer ‘yes’ to any of the sources of income listed in question 35?

No ☐ Yes ☐

Tell us the total before-tax amounts, for the last 52 weeks

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### How to Answer Q37
Other types of payment include advantages such as free or subsidised goods and services (for example, free food, subsidised accommodation).

**Did you or your partner get other types of payment apart from money in the last 52 weeks?**

- No
- Yes

**Please tell us about the type of payment and its value**

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### How to Answer Q38
How often do you expect the payment, such as weekly, fortnightly, monthly, one-off.

The types of income you need to include here are listed on page 11.

**Do you or your partner expect to get income or other payments in the next 52 weeks?**

- No
- Yes

**Please write the details below. Tell us the before-tax amounts**

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### Tell Us About Your Assets
You may be asked to provide proof of your assets and their value.

### How to Answer Q39

**Do you or your partner have any of the following cash assets?**

- Money in bank or other savings
  - No
  - Yes
- Bonus Bonds, shares, debentures or stocks
  - No
  - Yes
- Money lent to other people or organisations
  - No
  - Yes
- Other cash assets
  - No
  - Yes

**If you answered ‘yes’ to any of the assets listed in question 39, please write the details below.**

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### How to Answer Q41
Examples of property you don’t live in include, land, holiday homes, bach/crib, investment properties.

**Do you or your partner have any of the following non-cash assets?**

- Property you don’t live in
  - No
  - Yes
- Boat or caravan
  - No
  - Yes
- Other
  - No
  - Yes

**If you answered ‘yes’ to any of the non-cash assets listed question 41, please write the details below.**

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Have you or your partner sold any assets in the last five years?

- No
- Yes  Please provide details below

Asset 1
What was the asset? 
Who was it sold to? 
When was it sold? Day Month Year

Asset 2
What was the asset? 
Who was it sold to? 
When was it sold? Day Month Year

Gifting assets includes giving away, transferring, or disposing of your assets to another person or organisation.

If you or your partner (even if they have died) have given assets away they may still be counted for this assessment.

You can gift up to a certain amount for each 12 month period in the five years before you apply. To find out the amount you can gift go to our website workandincome.govt.nz and search on Residential Care Subsidy.

Have you or your partner ever gifted any assets?

- No
- Yes  Please provide details below

Asset 1
What was the asset? 
What was the asset worth? $ 
Who was it gifted to? 
When was it gifted? Day Month Year

Asset 2
What was the asset? 
What was the asset worth? $ 
Who was it gifted to? 
When was it gifted? Day Month Year
Are you or your partner involved in a trust, or have you or your partner ever been involved in a trust?

The trust can be any type of trust, including a family trust.

‘Involved’ means one or more of the following:

- you’ve set up a trust, usually by making a gift of assets or property
- you’ve sold or gifted assets to a trust
- you make decisions about managing a trust
- you benefit from a trust; for example, by receiving free or subsidised accommodation or income such as trust distributions.

[ ] No  Go to question 46  [ ] Yes  Please write the name of the trust

ATTACHMENT FOR Q45:

You'll need to provide full copies of trust documents such as:
- trust deed
- deeds of acknowledgment of debt
- deeds of forgiveness of debt
- Inland Revenue gifting statements
- the latest trust financial statements.
**Extra Help Information**

You may be able to get extra financial or other help. Most extra help we pay depends on your personal situation and what income or assets you have. You can apply for extra help at any time.

For more information about extra help and application forms go to [seniors.msd.govt.nz](http://seniors.msd.govt.nz) or you can phone us on 0800 552 002.

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<td>If you, or a family member, have a disability or medical condition likely to continue for at least six months, you may be able to get help with costs such as ongoing visits to the doctor, medicines, medical alarms, travel, and some other costs. Disability Allowance is income tested.</td>
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<td>If you have costs from owning your own home, renting, or boarding, you may be able to get an Accommodation Supplement. How much you get will depend on your income, assets, accommodation costs, family circumstances and where you live. Accommodation Supplement is income and asset tested. If you and/or your partner are tenants living in a community housing property, you won’t be able to get Accommodation Supplement. (Community housing properties are provided by Kāinga Ora (formerly Housing New Zealand) and approved community housing providers.)</td>
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<td>Temporary Additional Support helps with essential costs for a short time when you’ve tried everything you can think of, and still can’t pay for them. To get Temporary Additional Support, your assets will need to be below a certain level.</td>
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<td><strong>Community Services Card</strong></td>
<td>The Community Services Card can help you with the costs of health care. You will pay less for some health services and prescriptions. To be eligible for the Community Services Card, your income must be below a certain level.</td>
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<td><strong>Dependent children in your care</strong></td>
<td>A dependent child is a child who is financially supported by you and is living with you as a member of your family.</td>
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