

Bank Account Application Form



Work and Income
Te Hiranga Tangata

A service of the Ministry of Social Development

Application and Authority for a Special Purpose Bank Account

(‘the account’) for receipt of United Kingdom Government Pension payments and transfer of equivalent amounts to Work and Income.

I request Westpac Banking Corporation (Westpac) to open a special purpose bank account for me which will be free of bank charges. I instruct and authorise Westpac to operate the account on the following terms and conditions:

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- a) The account will be used solely for the receipt of my United Kingdom Government Pension (UKP) Payments and the transfer of equivalent amounts of those payments to Work and Income of the New Zealand Government. If I attempt to use the account for any other purpose, Westpac must transfer the credit balance in the account to Work and Income and close the account.
 - b) Westpac is instructed and authorised to transfer the balance of the account to Work and Income at any frequency agreed between Westpac and Work and Income.
 - c) Except for transfers of the equivalent amounts of UKP payments to Work and Income, no withdrawals will be permitted from the account.
 - d) No cheque or deposit books will be issued and I will not be permitted to nominate the account for credit card, telephone, EFTPOS, automatic teller machine, or any other type of transaction.
 - e) Westpac is authorised to disclose any information about me or the account, including payments of my UKP, to Work and Income or the United Kingdom Government or both, where this is necessary to facilitate the administration of the alternative arrangement with the Chief Executive Ministry of Social Development or the account.
 - f) Westpac will not divulge the account number to me.
 - g) Bank account statements will not be issued to me by Westpac, except where required for audit purposes or dispute resolution.
 - h) All instructions, inquires and notices must be addressed to Westpac’s branch at 260 Lambton Quay, Wellington (or such other place as Westpac from time to time notifies me), and must state my full name, my Work and Income customer number, and my full address. Westpac’s other branches will not be in a position to accept instructions or notices or to answer inquiries regarding the account.

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- i) In the event that Work and Income notifies Westpac it has terminated the alternative arrangement with me, or that the alternative arrangement has ceased, Westpac must transfer the balance in the account to Work and Income (except where I have been adjudicated bankrupt) and close the account.
- j) I may request Westpac to close the account at any time, but Westpac is instructed and authorised to transfer any moneys in the account, including the equivalent amounts of the UKP payments received between the time I make the request and the time the account is closed, to Work and Income when it closes the account. I will not be permitted to withdraw any moneys in the account before it is closed.
- k) If I revoke this authority, or my authority to the United Kingdom Government to pay my UKP to the account, then Westpac must, on receiving notice of the revocation, transfer any moneys in the account and close the account in accordance with paragraph (j) with effect from the date the revocation of authority takes effect.
- l) In the event that Westpac is advised (by any means of which it is reasonable to rely) of my death or ceasing to reside in New Zealand, Westpac is authorised to transfer the balance in the account to Work and Income and close the account.
- m) If Westpac closes the account, Westpac will not advise me but must advise Work and Income and request Work and Income to communicate the closure and reasons to me.
- n) If any UKP payments are received for credit of the account after it has closed, Westpac will return these to the United Kingdom Government with the explanation 'account closed'.
- o) Nothing in this document or my arrangements with Westpac or Work and Income constitutes an assignment of my UKP to Westpac or Work and Income.

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Work and Income Client Number										
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National Insurance Number (if known)									
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Day	Month	Year
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Client's Signature										
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or signature of attorney or other authorised agent of client

Office use only

Please complete and return in the reply paid envelope.