

Transfer to Veteran's Pension



Work and Income
Te Hirainga Tangata

A service of the Ministry of Social Development

If you want to receive the Veteran's Pension and already receive New Zealand Superannuation or a benefit from Work and Income and are turning 65 shortly, you can complete this form to transfer to Veteran's Pension.

The Veteran's Pension is available to:

- ex-service people who have served in a recognised war or emergency (as an alternative to New Zealand Superannuation)
- the partner of ex-service people who qualify for Veteran's Pension and have a Disablement Pension of at least 52%. The partner must also qualify for New Zealand Superannuation.

We automatically send you a combined Community Services and SuperGold Card when you get Veteran's Pension. It gives you access to thousands of discounts from businesses around New Zealand and Australia, and to New Zealand government and/or local council services.

For more information or if you want help with this form go to www.seniors.msd.govt.nz or call us on **0800 650 656**.

Write your client number here. It can be found on your Community Services or SuperGold Card.

Client number

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Tell us your details

1

What is your full name?

First and middle names

Surname or family name

2

What date were you born?

Day Month Year

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How can we contact you?

Tick the best way for us to contact you

Home phone	()	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile phone	()	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other phone	()	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

No Yes I don't have an email address

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Are you currently receiving New Zealand Superannuation?

No Yes

HOW TO ANSWER Q3:
Please only give us contact details you would like us to use.

INFORMATION FOR Q6:
ACC is the Accident Compensation Corporation.

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Are you currently receiving weekly compensation payments from ACC?

No Yes

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

- that 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**.

INFORMATION FOR Q7:
If you don't provide us with a tax code then your payment will be taxed at the higher 'no-notification rate' of 45%.

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What tax code do you want to use for your Veteran's Pension payments?

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

ATTACHMENT FOR Q7:
If you use tax code 'STC' please provide proof from Inland Revenue.

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How many years have you lived in New Zealand from the age of 50 years?

Number of years **If you answered 10 years or more go to question 10**

HOW TO ANSWER Q9:
Your answers to questions 8 and 9 tell us if you meet the residence criteria.

9

How many years have you lived in New Zealand between the ages of 20 and 50 years old?

Tell us about your household

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Do you live alone?

I live with my partner **Go to question 15**

I live with other people **Go to question 11**

Yes **Go to question 12**

INFORMATION FOR Q11:
We do not need to know the name of each person.

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Please provide details for anyone you live with:

Person 1

Relationship to you

Is this person 18 years or younger?

No **Go to next person or question 14**

Yes **↓ Answer the following**

What is their date of birth?
Day Month Year

Does this person attend school or a tertiary institution? No Yes

Person 2

Relationship to you

Is this person 18 years or younger?

No [Go to question 14](#)

Yes [↓ Answer the following](#)

What is their date of birth?
Day Month Year

Does this person attend school or a tertiary institution? No Yes

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Do you have any visitors aged 18 years or older who will be staying with you for 13 weeks or longer?

No Yes

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What is your accommodation?

- House or flat
- Self-contained 'granny' flat
- Self-contained unit in a retirement village or rest home
- A boat moored within New Zealand territorial waters
- Accommodation in a caravan park
- Other [↓ Please provide details below](#)
- A room in a boarding house
- Hotel or motel

INFORMATION FOR Q13:

'Self-contained' means there is a kitchen or kitchenette and a bathroom.

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Do you have a partner?

No [Go to question 19](#) Yes

INFORMATION FOR Q14:

By partner we mean husband or wife or someone you are in a relationship with.

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What is your partner's name?

16

What date was your partner born?

Day Month Year

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Do you want your partner to transfer to Veteran's Pension?

No Yes

INFORMATION FOR Q17:

If your partner is included in your New Zealand Superannuation or benefit already, you have the option to include your partner in your Veteran's Pension, or your partner can receive their own separate pension or benefit. Please talk with us if you are unsure.

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Does your partner agree to being included in your Veteran's Pension?

No Yes [→ Your partner must sign this application before this can happen](#)

Armed forces service 19

Are you applying for Veteran's Pension because of your own service?

No **→ What is your partner's service number?**

Go to question 26

Yes

HOW TO ANSWER Q20: 20

If you do not know the percentage we can find this out for you.

INFORMATION FOR Q20:
Disablement Pension was previously known as 'War Disablement Pension'.

Do you receive a Disablement Pension from Veterans' Affairs?

No

Yes %

Don't know **We will get this information from Veterans' Affairs for you.**

21 What country's forces did you serve with?

Country	Name of unit
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

22 What is your service number?

23 What were the dates of your service?

Date service commenced			Date discharged		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year

24 Did you serve overseas?

No **Go to question 26**

Yes **→ Please tell us the length of your service** Months Years

25 What were the theatres of operation and approximate dates?

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Do you want to continue to receive extra help with the Veteran's Pension?

If you don't already get extra financial or other help such as Accommodation Supplement, Disability Allowance or Temporary Additional Support, please talk with us about applying.

No

Go to your obligations

Yes

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Have your income and assets changed since you last advised us?

No

Yes

Privacy Statement

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Why we collect information

The information you give us is collected under the authority of the legislation administered by the Ministry of Social Development and will be held by the Ministry of Social Development.

The information is collected for the purposes of the legislation administered by the Ministry of Social Development including:

- granting benefits and other assistance under the Social Security Act 1964
- delivering superannuation services under the New Zealand Superannuation and Retirement Income Act 2001 and the Veterans' Support Act 2014
- statistical and research purposes
- providing advice to Government
- providing support and services for you and your family
- providing education related services
- care and protection needs of children
- assessing eligibility for social housing and calculating income-related rents under the Housing Restructuring and Tenancy Matters Act 1992
- assessing whether you and/or your partner may be entitled to an overseas pension, benefit or allowance.

You are not required to give the Ministry of Social Development information, but if you do not give us all the information we ask for, your application for benefits or pensions and other assistance may be declined.

We may contact health providers

The Ministry of Social Development may contact health providers to check any health related information you give us.

We may use information for social housing

Information you give us when you apply for assistance, and at any time after that, may also be used for social housing purposes under the Housing Restructuring and Tenancy Matters Act 1992, including reviewing your eligibility for social housing or your income-related rent. Social housing is subsidised housing available to people in the greatest need of housing for the duration of their need. It is provided by Housing New Zealand and approved community housing providers.

We may compare the information you give us with information held by other agencies

The information you give us may be compared with information held by other agencies such as Inland Revenue, the Ministry of Justice, the New Zealand Defence Force, the Department of Corrections, the New Zealand Customs Service, the Department of Internal Affairs, the Accident Compensation Corporation, Housing New Zealand Corporation, Ministry of Health and Immigration New Zealand. It may also be compared with social security information (for example, pension or benefit information) held by other governments (including Australia, Malta and the Netherlands).

We may share information with Inland Revenue

Under the Tax Administration Act 1994, if you have dependent children, the information you give us may be shared with Inland Revenue for the purpose of administering Working for Families Tax Credits. Inland Revenue may also:

- use the information for the purposes of child support, student loans and taxation
- disclose it to the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment, Statistics New Zealand, the Ministry of Justice, the Accident Compensation Corporation, and the Ministry of Education
- disclose your personal information to your partner.

We may give information to service providers, employers, social housing providers and childcare providers

The Ministry of Social Development may:

- give employers information about you if you use our employment services
- share information with childcare centres to administer your entitlement to childcare assistance
- give information about you to the Tertiary Education Commission, Workbridge, training providers, career services or other agencies that have a formal agreement to provide services on behalf of the Ministry of Social Development, if you use our employment services
- share information about you with social housing providers (such as Housing New Zealand) to administer your housing-related assistance.

We may use your information to give you a better service

Other information that you give us that is not required to assess your entitlement to New Zealand Superannuation or Veteran's Pension may be used to provide a better service to you.

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Obligations – Office copy

It is important to let us know about any changes that could affect your Veteran's Pension payments to ensure that we pay you correctly.

Change of circumstances

I must tell the Ministry of Social Development immediately if either my partner or I:

- start or stop living alone
- have changes to personal details (such as name, address or bank account number)
- have changes to my/our living situation (such as marriage or separation, starting or ending a civil union, starting or ending a de facto relationship with someone of the same or opposite sex, change in the number of children supported)
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- have any other change that may affect my/our Veteran's Pension entitlement or rate.

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Overseas Travel

If you intend to travel overseas for 28 days (four weeks) or more, let us know your travel dates before you go. We can advise you of your options and confirm whether your payments will continue or change while you are away. This will help you to avoid having to pay back an unexpected overpayment or being left stranded overseas without any money.

You have the right to review or dispute any decision to reduce or stop your Veteran's Pension.

Signature

By signing this application, you agree to the following:

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- I have read the obligations (or had them explained to me), I understand these and have been given a copy.
- I understand my responsibility to let the Ministry of Social Development know about any changes in my or my partner's circumstances and what will happen if I do not do this.
- I have read (or had explained to me) and understood the Privacy Statement contained in this form.
- The information I have provided is true and complete.

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Applicant's signature

Date

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