

Protected tax-free cash with trivial lump sum payment instruction for occupational pension schemes

Please read these notes before completing this instruction

About this instruction

Use this instruction if you are:

- scheme trustees of an occupational pension scheme; and
- the member wants to take the following benefits from the scheme detailed in Section 1 (the'scheme'):
 - their protected tax-free cash
 - the remaining funds from the Scheme as a trivial lump sum as described in Section 4 (the 'trivial lump sum').

The **trivial lump sum** is paid when the member takes **protected tax-free cash** and their fund value left under the **scheme** is no more than £10,000.

The member must tell you if they won't have any lump sum and death benefit allowance left after the payment of their **protected tax-free cash**.

A member who has a policy assigned to them from an **occupational pension scheme** should complete the 'Protected tax-free cash with **trivial lump sum** payment instruction' for non-occupational schemes instead.

Trivial lump sums and tax

The **trivial lump sum** is treated as taxable pension income for the tax year in which the payment is made. So, you need to apply UK basic rate tax under PAYE to the payment.

You're responsible for:

- calculating and deducting tax on the trivial lump sum before passing the benefits to the member;
- paying the tax to HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC);
 and
- calculating the amount of lump sum allowance and lump sum and death benefit allowance used up by the payment of the member's protected tax-free cash.

Completing your instruction

- Please complete this instruction in BLOCK CAPITALS and ballpoint pen.
- We explain terms in **bold** in the definitions section at the end of this instruction.
- Please return the completed instruction to: Freepost RUCB-LJKR-HHBU, Aegon, Sunderland, SR43 4DU.





1. Member details

2.

Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms / Other – please specify	Scheme name
Full forename(s)	(the 'Scheme')
	Plan number
Surname	
Date of birth D D M M Y Y Y Y	
Payment details	
Please tell us the bank details that you'd like us to pay trustee's scheme bank account.	the funds to. The bank details should be for the
Bank name	Branch sort code
	Account number
Address	
	Name of account holder(s)
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Postcode	



3. Declaration

In this declaration 'we' means the trustees of the Scheme and 'you' means Scottish Equitable plc as the insurer of the plan.

3.1 We instruct you to pay the cash-in/surrender value of the plan numbered in Section 1 to our bank account set out in Section 2.

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4. Conditions for taking a trivial lump sum

If after payment of the **protected tax-free cash**, the member has a remaining fund of no more than £10,000 under the scheme, then this can be paid to them as a **trivial lump sum**, provided the following conditions are met:

- at the time of payment the member must have reached their normal minimum pension age, currently 55 (57 from 2028) or their protected pension age, if they have one or the ill-health condition is met:
- the payment extinguishes the member's entitlement to benefits under the Scheme (with the exception of any pension in payment before 6 April 2006);
- at the time the trivial lump sum is paid (after payment of the protected tax-free cash), the member has lump sum allowance and lump sum and death benefit allowance available. The payment of the member's protected taxfree cash will use up an amount of their lump sum allowance and lump sum and death

- benefit allowance. The member must tell you if they won't have any allowances left after the payment of their **protected tax-free cash**;
- the trivial lump sum is paid in connection with a protected tax-free cash payment and is paid no later than one month after payment of the protected tax-free cash; and
- between the payment of the protected taxfree cash and the payment of the trivial lump sum:
 - no contributions have been made to the scheme in respect of the member;
 - no recognised transfer has been made into or out of the scheme in respect of the member; and
 - no annuity or scheme pension has been purchased by sums and assets held by the scheme for the member's benefit.



5. Definitions

Ill-health condition — the ill-health condition is met if you have received satisfactory medical evidence from a registered medical practitioner that the member is (and will continue to be) incapable of carrying on their occupation because of physical or mental impairment, and they have in fact stopped carrying on that occupation.

Occupational pension scheme – is a trust based pension scheme, such as:

- an Executive Pension plan;
- a Small self-administered scheme;
- an Exsel Group scheme;
- a Nexus scheme;
- an Exsel scheme:
- an Exsel fund scheme; or
- a Contracted-in money purchase scheme (CIMP).

Protected tax-free cash — some individuals will have had a right to a lump sum of more than 25% of their uncrystallised fund on 5 April 2006. Where the member has a right to a lump sum of more than 25% of their uncrystallised fund the lump sum is generally known as protected tax-free cash.

Registered pension scheme – is a pension scheme that's registered with HMRC under Chapter 2 Part 4 of the Finance Act 2004.

