# **Miramar Fire Pension Fund**

#### WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO APPLY FOR A NORMAL OR EARLY RETIREMENT?

The first thing that you need to do is to complete an application for retirement benefits. The application can be obtained from the pension plan administrator at 4360 Northlake Boulevard, Suite 206, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410, (800) 206-0116 or the information can be found online at <u>www.resourcecenters.com</u>, under the Miramar Firefighters Pension Fund.

When the application is completed, it must be forwarded to the administrator, **along with the following items**:

- Completed application for pension benefits
- Completed beneficiary form
- Copy of your birth certificate
- Copy of official marriage license (if married)
- Copy of spouse's birth certificate (if married) OR the birth certificate of the joint survivor if one is being listed for your benefit
- Completed direct deposit form (the first payment is typically a physical check mailed to your home)
- Completed W-4P federal tax withholding form
- Completed health insurance deduction form (early retirement does not qualify for tax savings)
- Copy of your letter of resignation/retirement

#### The packet should be returned in its entirety, inclusive of all items listed.

It typically takes eight weeks to process a normal retirement benefit, depending upon how long it takes the Pension Resource Center to receive the final payroll records from the City. For example, if you retire effective July 31<sup>st</sup>, you will receive final pay sometime in August. The monthly payroll report for August may not be received by the Pension Resource Center until the middle of September. Upon receipt of the final payroll information from the City, the Pension Resource Center will provide all details to the Fund's actuary for final calculation. A copy of the payroll detail will also be provided to the participant for review. The final calculation process by the actuary may take two to four weeks. (In this example, we are now into the middle/end of September.) Once the final benefit calculation has been received from the actuary, the Pension Resource Center will contact you to provide final documents for your benefit election.

Your benefit will need to be approved by the Board of Trustees at a public meeting before any payment may be made to you. Pension payments will be paid to you retroactively to the effective date of your retirement therefore it is very common for a retiree's first payment to be a total of two or three months of benefit. (In this example, the first pension payment might be made in the middle of October for August, September and October's benefits.) Please be sure to keep this in mind when retiring and plan accordingly as it may take a while to initiate your benefit.

Should you have any questions regarding this process, feel free to contact your plan administrator as indicated above.

**MIRAMAR FIREFIGHTERS PENSION** 



Department of the Treasury

#### Withholding Certificate for Periodic Pension or Annuity Payments

OMB No. 1545-0074

Give Form W-4P to the payer of your pension or annuity payments.

Step 1:	(a) First name and middle initial	Last name	(b) Social security number
Enter			
Personal	Address		
Information			
	City or town, state, and ZIP code		
	(c) Single or Married filing separately		
	Married filing jointly or Qualifying surviving spouse		
	Head of household (Check only if you're unmarried and pay more than half the costs of keeping up a home for yourself and a qualifying individual.		

Complete Steps 2–4 ONLY if they apply to you; otherwise, skip to Step 5. See pages 2 and 3 for more information on each step and how to elect to have no federal income tax withheld (if permitted).

Step 2: Income From a Job	Complete this step if you (1) have income from a job or more than one pension/annuity, or (2) are married filing jointly and your spouse receives income from a job or a pension/annuity. See page 2 for examples on how to complete Step 2.			
and/or	Do <b>only one</b> of the following.			
Multiple Pensions/	(a) Reserved for future use.			
Annuities	(b) Complete the items below.			
(Including a Spouse's Job/	(i) If you (and/or your spouse) have one or more jobs, then enter the total taxable annual pay from all jobs, plus any income entered on Form W-4, Step 4(a), for the jobs less the deductions entered on Form W-4, Step 4(b), for the jobs. Otherwise, enter "-0-"			
Pension/ Annuity)	(ii) If you (and/or your spouse) have any other pensions/annuities that pay less annually than this one, then enter the total annual taxable payments from all lower-paying pensions/ annuities. Otherwise, enter "-0-"			
	(iii) Add the amounts from items (i) and (ii) and enter the <b>total</b> here			

**TIP:** To be accurate, submit a new Form W-4P for all other pensions/annuities if you haven't updated your withholding since 2021 or this is a new pension/annuity that pays less than the other(s). Submit a new Form W-4 for your job(s) if you have not updated your withholding since 2019. If you have self-employment income, see page 2.

**Complete Steps 3–4(b)** on this form only if (b)(i) is blank **and** this pension/annuity pays the most annually. Otherwise, do not complete Steps 3–4(b) on this form.

Step 3:	If your total income will be \$200,000 or less (\$400,000 or less if married filing jointly):		
Claim	Multiply the number of qualifying children under age 17 by \$2,000 \$		
Dependent and Other	Multiply the number of other dependents by \$500		
Credits	Add other credits, such as foreign tax credit and education tax credits \$		
	Add the amounts for qualifying children, other dependents, and other credits and enter the total here	3	\$
Step 4 (optional): Other	(a) Other income (not from jobs or pension/annuity payments). If you want tax withheld on other income you expect this year that won't have withholding, enter the amount of other income here. This may include interest, taxable social security, and dividends .	4(a)	\$
Adjustments	(b) Deductions. If you expect to claim deductions other than the basic standard deduction and want to reduce your withholding, use the Deductions Worksheet on page 3 and enter the result here		\$
	(c) Extra withholding. Enter any additional tax you want withheld from each payment	4(c)	

Step 5: Sign		
Here	Your signature (This form is not valid unless you sign it.)	Date

### **General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about any future developments related to Form W-4P, such as legislation enacted after it was published, go to *www.irs.gov/FormW4P*.

**Purpose of form.** Complete Form W-4P to have payers withhold the correct amount of federal income tax from your periodic pension, annuity (including commercial annuities), profit-sharing and stock bonus plan, or IRA payments. Federal income tax withholding applies to the taxable part of these payments. Periodic payments are made in installments at regular intervals (for example, annually, quarterly, or monthly) over a period of more than 1 year. Don't use Form W-4P for a nonperiodic payment (note that distributions from an IRA that are payable on demand are treated as nonperiodic payments) or an eligible rollover distribution (including a lump-sum pension payment). Instead, use Form W-4R, Withholding Certificate for Nonperiodic Payments and Eligible Rollover Distributions, for these payments/distributions. For more information on withholding, see Pub. 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax.

**Choosing not to have income tax withheld.** You can choose not to have federal income tax withheld from your payments by writing "No Withholding" on Form W-4P in the space below Step 4(c). Then, complete Steps 1a, 1b, and 5. Generally, if you are a U.S. citizen or a resident alien, you are not permitted to elect not to have federal income tax withheld on payments to be delivered outside the United States and its territories.

**Caution:** If you have too little tax withheld, you will generally owe tax when you file your tax return and may owe a penalty unless you make timely payments of estimated tax. If too much tax is withheld, you will generally be due a refund when you file your tax return. If your tax situation changes, or you chose not to have federal income tax withheld and you now want withholding, you should submit a new Form W-4P.

Self-employment. Generally, you will owe both income and self-employment taxes on any self-employment income you (or you and your spouse) receive. If you do not have a job and want to pay these taxes through withholding from your payments, you should enter the self-employment income in Step 4(a). Then compute your self-employment tax, divide that tax by the number of payments remaining in the year, and include that resulting amount per payment in Step 4(c). You can also add half of the annual amount of self-employment tax to Step 4(b) as a deduction. To calculate self-employment tax, you generally multiply the self-employment income by 14.13% (this rate is a quick way to figure your self-employment tax and equals the sum of the 12.4% social security tax and the 2.9% Medicare tax multiplied by 0.9235). See Pub. 505 for more information, especially if your self-employment income multiplied by 0.9235 is over \$160,200.

**Payments to nonresident aliens and foreign estates.** Do not use Form W-4P. See Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities, and Pub. 519, U.S. Tax Guide for Aliens, for more information.

**Tax relief for victims of terrorist attacks.** If your disability payments for injuries incurred as a direct result of a terrorist attack are not taxable, write "No Withholding" in the space below Step 4(c). See Pub. 3920, Tax Relief for Victims of Terrorist Attacks, for more details.

## **Specific Instructions**

**Step 1(c).** Check your anticipated filing status. This will determine the standard deduction and tax rates used to compute your withholding.

**Step 2.** Use this step if you have at least one of the following: income from a job, income from more than one pension/annuity, and/or a spouse (if married filing jointly) that receives income from a job/pension/annuity. The following examples will assist you in completing Step 2.

**Example 1.** Bob, a single filer, is completing Form W-4P for a pension that pays \$50,000 a year. Bob also has a job that pays \$25,000 a year. Bob has no other pensions or annuities. Bob will enter \$25,000 in Step 2(b)(i) and in Step 2(b)(ii).

If Bob also has 1,000 of interest income, which he entered on Form W-4, Step 4(a), then he will instead enter 26,000 in Step 2(b)(i) and in Step 2(b)(iii). He will make no entries in Step 4(a) on this Form W-4P.

**Example 2.** Carol, a single filer, is completing Form W-4P for a pension that pays \$50,000 a year. Carol does not have a job, but she also receives another pension for \$25,000 a year (which pays less annually than the \$50,000 pension). Carol will enter \$25,000 in Step 2(b)(ii) and in Step 2(b)(iii).

If Carol also has \$1,000 of interest income, then she will enter \$1,000 in Step 4(a) of this Form W-4P.

**Example 3.** Don, a single filer, is completing Form W-4P for a pension that pays \$50,000 a year. Don does not have a job, but he receives another pension for \$75,000 a year (which pays more annually than the \$50,000 pension). Don will not enter any amounts in Step 2.

If Don also has \$1,000 of interest income, he won't enter that amount on this Form W-4P because he entered the \$1,000 on the Form W-4P for the higher paying \$75,000 pension.

**Example 4**. Ann, a single filer, is completing Form W-4P for a pension that pays \$50,000 a year. Ann also has a job that pays \$25,000 a year and another pension that pays \$20,000 a year. Ann will enter \$25,000 in Step 2(b)(i), \$20,000 in Step 2(b)(ii), and \$45,000 in Step 2(b)(ii).

If Ann also has \$1,000 of interest income, which she entered on Form W-4, Step 4(a), she will instead enter \$26,000 in Step 2(b)(i), leave Step 2(b)(ii) unchanged, and enter \$46,000 in Step 2(b)(iii). She will make no entries in Step 4(a) of this Form W-4P.

If you are married filing jointly, the entries described above do not change if your spouse is the one who has the job or the other pension/annuity instead of you.

Multiple sources of pensions/annuities or jobs. If you (or if married filing jointly, you and/or your spouse) have a job(s), do NOT complete Steps 3 through 4(b) on Form W-4P. Instead, complete Steps 3 through 4(b) on the Form W-4 for the job. If you (or if married filing jointly, you and your spouse) do not have a job, complete Steps 3 through 4(b) on Form W-4P for **only** the pension/annuity that pays the most annually. Leave those steps blank for the other pensions/ annuities.

Step 3. This step provides instructions for determining the amount of the child tax credit and the credit for other dependents that you may be able to claim when you file your tax return. To qualify for the child tax credit, the child must be under age 17 as of December 31, must be your dependent who generally lives with you for more than half the year, and must have the required social security number. You may be able to claim a credit for other dependents for whom a child tax credit can't be claimed, such as an older child or a qualifying relative. For additional eligibility requirements for these credits, see Pub. 501, Dependents, Standard Deduction, and Filing Information. You can also include **other tax credits** for which you are eligible in this step, such as the foreign tax credit and the education tax credits. Including these credits will increase your payments and reduce the amount of any refund you may receive when you file your tax return.

#### Specific Instructions (continued)

#### Step 4 (optional).

**Step 4(a).** Enter in this step the total of your other estimated income for the year, if any. You shouldn't include amounts from any job(s) or pension/annuity payments. If you complete Step 4(a), you likely won't have to make estimated tax payments for that income. If you prefer to pay estimated tax rather than having tax on other income withheld from your pension, see Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals.

**Step 4(b).** Enter in this step the amount from the Deductions Worksheet, line 6, if you expect to claim deductions other than the basic standard deduction on your 2023 tax return and want to reduce your withholding to account for these deductions.

This includes itemized deductions, the additional standard deduction for those 65 and over, and other deductions such as for student loan interest and IRAs.

*Step 4(c).* Enter in this step any additional tax you want withheld from **each payment**. Entering an amount here will reduce your payments and will either increase your refund or reduce any amount of tax that you owe.

**Note:** If you don't give Form W-4P to your payer, you don't provide an SSN, or the IRS notifies the payer that you gave an incorrect SSN, then the payer will withhold tax from your payments as if your filing status is single with no adjustments in Steps 2 through 4. For payments that began before 2023, your current withholding election (or your default rate) remains in effect unless you submit a new Form W-4P.

	Step 4(b) – Deductions Worksheet (Keep for your records.)		
1	Enter an estimate of your 2023 itemized deductions (from Schedule A (Form 1040)). Such deductions may include qualifying home mortgage interest, charitable contributions, state and local taxes (up to \$10,000), and medical expenses in excess of 7.5% of your income	1	\$
2	Enter:	2	\$
3	If line 1 is greater than line 2, subtract line 2 from line 1 and enter the result here. If line 2 is greater than line 1, enter "-0-"	3	\$
4	<ul> <li>If line 3 equals zero, and you (or your spouse) are 65 or older, enter:</li> <li>\$1,850 if you're single or head of household.</li> <li>\$1,500 if you're married filing separately.</li> <li>\$1,500 if you're a qualifying surviving spouse or you're married filing jointly and one of you is under age 65.</li> <li>\$3,000 if you're married filing jointly and both of you are age 65 or older.</li> <li>Otherwise, enter "-0-". See Pub. 505 for more information</li></ul>	4	<u>\$</u>
5	Enter an estimate of your student loan interest, deductible IRA contributions, and certain other adjustments (from Part II of Schedule 1 (Form 1040)). See Pub. 505 for more information	5	\$
6	Add lines 3 through 5. Enter the result here and in Step 4(b) on Form W-4P	6	\$

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to provide this information only if you want to (a) request federal income tax withholding from pension or annuity payments based on your filing status and adjustments; (b) request additional federal income tax withholding from your pension or annuity payments; (c) choose not to have federal income tax withheld, when permitted; or (d) change a previous Form W-4P. To do any of the aforementioned, you are required by sections 3405(e) and 6109 and their regulations to provide the information requested on this form. Failure to provide this information may result in inaccurate withholding on your payment(s). Failure to provide a properly completed form will result in your being treated as a single person with no other entries on the form; providing fraudulent information may subject you to penalties.

Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and territories for use in administering their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by section 6103.

The average time and expenses required to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. For estimated averages, see the instructions for your income tax return.

If you have suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. See the instructions for your income tax return.

## MIRAMAR FIREFIGHTERS PENSION FUND

#### **APPLICATION FOR PENSION BENEFITS**

#### PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

1.	a.	Name of Employee:
	b.	Social Security Number:
	C.	Date of Birth:(Attach birth certificate or other proof)
	d.	Home Telephone Number:()
	e.	Home Address:
	f.	Permanent address to which check and correspondence should be
		sent:
2.	а.	Are you currently married? Yes No
		If yes, please complete the following:
	b.	Name of Spouse:
	C.	Spouse's Social Security Number:
	d.	Spouse's Date of Birth:(Attach birth certificate or other proof)
	e.	Date of Marriage:

Names and Dates of Birth of Child(ren):		
		e of Birth
	(Attach additional page, if peeded)	
	(Attach additional page, if needed)	
Nan	mes of Your Living Parents:	
a.	Mother:	
b.	Father:	
a.	Date of hire by Miramar as Firefighter:	
b.	Current Position in the Fire Department:	
l pla	an to retire on:	
Тур	be of retirement for which you are applying:	
	Normal Retirement	
	Deferred Retirement Option Plan	
	Early Retirement	
	Line-of-Duty Disability	
	Non-Line-of-Duty Disability	

8. If you are applying for a disability retirement, please complete the following: Date disability commenced: a. Nature and cause of disability: b. Did your disability result from any of the following: C. Yes No (1) Use of drugs, intoxicants or narcotics? (2) Due to a fight, riot, civil insurrection or crime? (3) From an injury or disease sustained while you were serving in any armed forces? (4) After your employment with the Town terminated?

- (5) While working for anyone other than the City and arising out of such employment?
- d. A copy of my doctor's medical opinion is attached:
- **NOTE:** If you are applying for a disability benefit, records must be filed to show that the disability is total and permanent. If application is made for a line-of-duty disability, copies of workers' compensation records must also be filed to show that the disability occurred in the line-of-duty. Also, the Board of Trustees may require you to be examined by a doctor selected by the Board.

I hereby certify that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that a false statement may disqualify me for benefits.

I have reviewed the Designation of Beneficiary Form filed with the Board of Trustees and I hereby certify its accuracy. If I desire to change my designated beneficiary(ies), I will file a new Designation of Beneficiary Form with this Application.

This Application revokes any prior Applications.

#### EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE

DATE

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

SWORN TO (or affirmed) and subscribed before me, this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Personally known

\_\_\_\_\_ OR Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced:

Notary Signature Print, type or stamp name of Notary below:

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## MIRAMAR FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT PLAN DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY

#### PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Participant's Name:\_\_\_\_\_

#### 1. <u>Primary Beneficiary</u>

I hereby designate the following person as my principal beneficiary entitled to receive any benefit due in the event of my death:

a.	Name Beneficiary:		
b.	Relationship to Participant:		
C.	Beneficiary's Social Security Number: In accordance with the provisions of §119.071(5)(a)6g, Florida Statutes, the collection and use of social security numbers is authorized for the purpose of the administration of the pension fund.		
d.	Date of Birth of Beneficiary:		
e.	Sex of Beneficiary:	Male	Female
f.	Home Address of Beneficiary:_		
g.	Telephone Number of Beneficia	ary:	

#### 2. <u>Contingent Beneficiary</u>

If the above-named primary beneficiary dies before me, or not be available to receive any benefit due, I designate the following person as the contingent beneficiary entitled to receive any benefit due in the event of my death:

a.	Name Contingent Beneficiary:
b.	Relationship to Participant:
C.	Beneficiary's Social Security Number: In accordance with the provisions of §119.071(5)(a)6g, Florida Statutes, the collection and use of social security numbers is authorized for the purpose of the administration of the pension fund.
d.	Date of Birth of Contingent Beneficiary:

e.	Sex of Contingent Beneficiary: Male Female	_
f.	Home Address of Contingent Beneficiary:	
g.	Telephone Number of Contingent Beneficiary:	_

The above designation of beneficiaries revokes any and all prior designations of beneficiaries. I understand that the beneficiary I select may affect the amount of benefits to be paid to me.

NOTE:

A change in family status (marriage, divorce, etc.) may not effectively change a designation of beneficiary. However, pursuant to Florida Statutes §732,703, divorce or annulment may void the election of a former spouse as a designated beneficiary. To ensure that your assets are paid as you want them to be, keep your beneficiary updated.

# BE SURE TO KEEP YOUR BENEFICIARY INFORMATION UPDATED WITH THE FUND

# THIS FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED WHICH REQUIRES THAT YOU SIGN IT IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC WHO MAY THEN NOTARIZE IT.

Witness	Signature of Participant
Printed Name of Witness	Printed name of Participant
STATE OF FLORIDA	
SWORN TO (or AFFIRMED)	AND SUBSCRIBED before me this day of
, 20, by	
	Signature, Notary Public
	In accordance with the provisions of Florida Statutes, §117.04(4)(I), Notary name must printed, typed or stamped below Notary's signature; seal must be stamped next to signature or below printed name:
	Printed, typed or stamped name of Notary
Personally known OR Produced identification	
Type of identification produced:	

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