

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Withholding Certificate for Pension or Annuity Payments

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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. Form W-4P is for U.S. citizens, resident aliens, or their estates who are recipients of pensions, annuities (including commercial annuities), and certain other deferred compensation. Use Form W-4P to tell payers the correct amount of federal income tax to withhold from your payment(s). You may also use Form W-4P to choose (a) not to have any federal income tax withheld from the payment (except for eligible rollover distributions or for payments to U.S. citizens to be delivered outside the United States or its possessions), or (b) to have an additional amount of tax withheld.

Your options depend on whether the payment is periodic, nonperiodic, or an eligible rollover distribution, as explained on pages 2 and 3. Your previously filed Form W-4P will remain in effect if you don't file a Form W-4P for 2021.

General Instructions

Your signature ▶

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code.

Follow these instructions to determine the number of withholding allowances you should claim for pension or annuity payment withholding for 2021 and any additional amount of tax to have withheld. Complete the worksheet(s) using the taxable amount of the payments.

If you don't want any federal income tax withheld (see *Purpose of form*, earlier), you can skip the worksheets and go directly to the Form W-4P below.

Sign this form. Form W-4P is not valid unless you sign it.

You can also use the estimator at **www.irs.gov/W4App** to determine your tax withholding more accurately. Consider using this estimator if you have a more complicated tax situation, such as if you have more than one pension or annuity, a working spouse, or a large amount of income outside of your pensions. After your Form W-4P takes effect, you can also use this estimator to see how the amount of tax you're having withheld compares to your projected total tax for 2021. If you use the estimator, you don't need to complete any of the worksheets for Form W-4P.

Note that 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.

Filers with multiple pensions or more than one income. If you have more than one source of income subject to withholding (such as more than one pension or a pension and a job, or you're married filing jointly and your spouse is working), read all of the instructions, including the instructions for the Multiple Pensions/More-Than-One-Income Worksheet, before beginning.

Other income. If you have a large amount of income from other sources not subject to withholding (such as interest, dividends, or capital gains), consider making estimated tax payments using Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals. Otherwise, you might owe additional tax. See Pub. 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax, for more information. Get Form 1040-ES and Pub. 505 at www.irs.gov/FormsPubs. Or, you can use the Deductions, Adjustments, and Additional Income Worksheet on page 5 or the estimator at www.irs.gov/W4App to make sure you have enough tax withheld from your payments. If you have income from wages, see Pub. 505 or use the estimator at www.irs.gov/W4App to find out if you should adjust your withholding on Form W-4 or Form W-4P.

Note: Social security and railroad retirement payments may be includible in income. See Form W-4V, Voluntary Withholding Request, for information on voluntary withholding from these payments.

Withholding From Pensions and Annuities

Generally, federal income tax withholding applies to the taxable part of payments made from pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, annuity, and certain deferred compensation plans; from individual retirement arrangements (IRAs); and from commercial annuities. The method and rate of withholding depend on (a) the kind of payment you receive; (b) whether the payments are to be delivered outside the United States or its possessions; and (c) whether the recipient is a nonresident alien individual, a nonresident alien beneficiary, or a foreign estate. Qualified distributions from a designated Roth account or Roth IRA are nontaxable and, therefore, not subject to withholding. See page 3 for special withholding rules that apply to payments to be delivered outside the United States and payments to foreign persons.

Separat	te here and give Fo	rm W-4P to the payer of your pensi	on or annuity. Keep the worksheet(s) fo	or your records
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Your first name and m	iddle initial	Last name	You	r social security number
Home address (numbe	er and street or rural	route)	(if an	n or identification number ny) of your pension or
City or town, state, and	d ZIP code		annu	ity contract
Complete the follo	wing applicable l	ines.		
1 Check here if yo	ou do not want a i	ny federal income tax withheld from	om your pension or annuity. (Don't c	omplete line 2 or 3.) 🕨 🗌
		, ,	vithholding from each periodic pensione 3.)	
Marital status:	☐ Single ☐ I	Married 🗌 Married, but withho	ld at higher Single rate.	(Enter number
3 Additional amoun	nt, if any, you wan	t withheld from each pension or a	nnuity payment. (Note: For periodic p	of allowances.)

you can't enter an amount here without entering the number (including zero) of allowances on line 2.) ▶

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Use the Multiple Pensions/More-Than-One-Income Worksheet from only one Form W-4P to figure the number of allowances you're entitled to claim and any additional amount of tax to withhold from all pensions. If you (and/or your spouse if filing jointly) have two or more pensions, withholding will generally be more accurate if only the Form W-4P for the highest paying pension (a) claims any allowances after lines A through B in the Personal Allowances Worksheet or any allowances in the Deductions, Adjustments, and Additional Income Worksheet; and (b) uses the Multiple Pensions/More-Than-One-Income Worksheet. If you (and/or your spouse if filing jointly) have a pension and a job, withholding will generally be more accurate if the Form W-4P for the pension doesn't claim

any allowances after lines A through B in the Personal Allowances Worksheet or any allowances in the Deductions, Adjustments, and Additional Income Worksheet. However, you may need to use the Multiple Pensions/More-Than-One-Income Worksheet. If you (and/or your spouse if filing jointly) have more than one pension (or a pension and a job) and you need to complete a new Form W-4P or Form W-4 for a pension or a job, you (and/or your spouse) will generally get more accurate withholding by completing new Form(s) W-4P or Form(s) W-4 for all other pensions and jobs. See Pub. 505 for details.

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Another option is to use the estimator at www.irs.gov/W4App to figure your withholding more precisely.

	Personal Allowances Worksheet (Keep for your records.)			
B C	A Enter "2" for yourself			
E	• If your total in	ild. come will be higher than \$200,000 (\$400,000 if married filing jointly), enter "-0-" r dependents. See Pub. 972 for more information. come will be less than \$72,351 (\$105,051 if married filing jointly), enter "1" for each eligible	D	
	every two depe you have four d	come will be from \$72,351 to \$181,950 (\$105,051 to \$351,400 if married filing jointly), enter "1" for ndents (for example, "-0-" for one dependent, "1" if you have two or three dependents, and "2" if ependents). come will be higher than \$181,950 (\$351,400 if married filing jointly), enter "-0-"	E	
	Other credits. enter the amou "-0-" on lines D	If you have other credits, see the worksheet for converting credits to allowances in Pub. 505 and nt from that worksheet here. If you figure all your credits using that worksheet in Pub. 505, enter	F	
	For accuracy, complete all worksheets that apply.	 If you plan to itemize or claim adjustments to income and want to reduce your withholding, or if you have a large amount of other income not subject to withholding and want to increase your withholding, see the Deductions, Adjustments, and Additional Income Worksheet on page 5. If you have more than one source of income subject to withholding or are married filing jointly and you and your spouse both have income subject to withholding and your combined income from all sources exceeds \$13,000 (\$25,000 if married filing jointly), see the Multiple Pensions/More-Than-One-Income Worksheet on page 5 to avoid having too little tax withheld, or use the estimator for more accuracy. If neither of the above situations applies, stop here and enter the number from line G on line 2 of Form W-4P above. 		

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	Deductions, Adjustments, and Additional Income Worksheet			
	te: Use this worksheet <i>only</i> if you plan to itemize deductions, claim certain adjustments to income, or have er income not subject to withholding.	a lar	ge amount of	
1	Enter an estimate of your 2021 itemized deductions. These include qualifying home mortgage interest, charitable contributions, state and local taxes (up to \$10,000), and medical expenses in excess of 10% of your income. See Pub. 505 for details	1	\$	
2	Enter: \$25,100 if you're married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er) \$18,800 if you're head of household \$12,550 if you're single or married filing separately	2	\$	_
	Subtract line 2 from line 1. If zero or less, enter "-0-"	3	\$	_
	additional standard deduction for age or blindness. See Pub. 505 for information about these items . Add lines 3 and 4 and enter the total	4 5	\$ \$	_
6		6	\$	_
7	Subtract line 6 from line 5. If zero, enter "-0-". If less than zero, enter the amount in parentheses	7	\$	_
8	Divide the amount on line 7 by \$4,300 and enter the result here. If a negative amount, enter in parentheses. Drop any fraction	8		_
9	Enter the number from the Personal Allowances Worksheet , line G, on page 4	9		_
10	Add lines 8 and 9 and enter the total here. If zero or less, enter "-0-". If you plan to use the Multiple Pensions/More-Than-One-Income Worksheet , also enter this total on line 1 below. Otherwise, stop here and enter this total on Form W-4P, line 2, on page 1	10		_
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	Multiple Pensions/More-Than-One-Income Worksheet		
apı	te: Use this worksheet <i>only</i> if the instructions under line G from the Personal Allowances Worksheet directlies if you (and your spouse if married filing jointly) have more than one source of income subject to withhou none pension, or a pension and a job, or you have a pension and your spouse works).		
1	Enter the number from the Personal Allowances Worksheet , line G, on page 4 (or from line 10 above if you used the Deductions, Adjustments, and Additional Income Worksheet)	1	
2	Find the number in Table 1 on page 6 that applies to the LOWEST paying pension or job and enter it here. However, if you're married filing jointly and the amount from the highest paying pension or job is \$75,000 or less and the combined amounts for you and your spouse are \$107,000 or less, do not enter more than "7"	2	
3	If line 1 is more than or equal to line 2, subtract line 2 from line 1. Enter the result here (if zero, enter "-0-") and on Form W-4P, line 2, on page 1. Do not use the rest of this worksheet	3	
	te: If line 1 is less than line 2, enter "-0-" on Form W-4P, line 2, on page 1. Complete lines 4 through 9 ow to figure the additional withholding amount necessary to avoid a year-end tax bill.		
5 6 7 8	Enter the number from line 2 of this worksheet	6 7 8	\$ \$
	on page 1. This is the additional amount to be withheld from each payment	9	\$

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Table 1

Married Filing Jointly		All Others		
If wages from LOWEST paying		If wages from LOWEST paying		
job or pension are—	Enter on line 2 above	job or pension are—	Enter on line 2 above	
\$0 - \$799	0	\$0 - \$799	0	
800 - 5,100	1	800 - 5,100	1	
5,101 - 9,400	2	5,101 - 9,400	2	
9,401 - 13,700	3	9,401 - 13,700	3	
13,701 - 18,000	4	13,701 - 22,000	4	
18,001 - 22,300	5	22,001 - 27,500	5	
22,301 - 26,600	6	27,501 - 32,000	6	
26,601 - 35,000	7	32,001 - 40,000	7	
35,001 - 40,000	8	40,001 - 60,000	8	
40,001 - 46,000	9	60,001 - 75,000	9	
46,001 - 55,000	10	75,001 - 85,000	10	
55,001 - 60,000	11	85,001 - 95,000	11	
60,001 - 70,000	12	95,001 - 100,000	12	
70,001 - 75,000	13	100,001 - 110,000	13	
75,001 - 85,000	14	110,001 - 115,000	14	
85,001 - 95,000	15	115,001 - 125,000	15	
95,001 - 125,000	16	125,001 - 135,000	16	
125,001 - 155,000	17	135,001 - 145,000	17	
155,001 - 165,000	18	145,001 - 160,000	18	
165,001 - 175,000	19	160,001 - 180,000	19	
175,001 - 180,000	20	180,001 and over	20	
180,001 - 195,000	21			
195,001 - 205,000	22			
205,001 and over	23			

Table 2

Married Filin	ng Jointly	All Others		
If wages from HIGHEST paying job or pension are—	Enter on line 7 above	If wages from HIGHEST paying job or pension are—	Enter on line 7 above	
\$0 - \$25,350	\$430	\$0 - \$7,375	\$430	
25,351 - 85,850	520	7,376 - 37,625	520	
85,851 - 176,650	950	37,626 - 83,025	950	
176,651 - 332,200	1,030	83,026 - 160,800	1,030	
332,201 - 420,300	1,380	160,801 - 204,850	1,380	
420,301 - 627,650	1,510	204,851 - 515,900	1,510	
627,651 and over	1,590	515,901 and over	1,590	

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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 periodic pension or annuity payments based on your withholding allowances and marital status; (b) request additional federal income tax withholding from your pension or annuity; (c) choose not to have federal income tax withheld, when permitted; or (d) change or revoke 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). Providing false or 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 possessions 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.

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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.