

RETIREE BENEFICIARIES

Designate a beneficiary to receive any arrears of pay due upon your death by submitting DD Form 2894.

Instruct beneficiaries to submit SF 1174 and a copy of your death certificate to claim Arrears of Pay.

INVOLUNTARY DEDUCTIONS

Domestic support obligations (alimony or child support) and government or tax debts may be involuntarily withheld from retired pay.

NON-RECEIPT OF PAYMENT CLAIMS

Direct all non-receipt of payment claims to:
Defense Finance and Accounting Service
1240 E. 9th St.
ATTN: 19th Floor Vault
Cleveland, OH 44199



Information about retired and SBP annuity pay, forms, and contact information is available at
www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary.html.

Access myPay at <https://mypay.dfas.mil>.

CONTACTING DFAS

Defense Finance & Accounting Service
U.S. Military Retired Pay
8899 E 56th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46249-1300

Phone: 800-321-1080
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST, Mon-Fri
Fax: 800-469-6559

Defense Finance & Accounting Service
U.S. Military Annuitant Pay
8899 E 56th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46249-1200

Phone: 800-321-1080
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST, Mon-Fri
Fax: 800-982-9459



Retired and Annuitant Pay



Information for Retirees & Annuitants

INCOME TAX

Retired pay is subject to federal income tax.

Under limited circumstances, disability retired pay may not be subject to federal income tax.

If you **claim an exemption from federal income tax withholding, you must submit IRS Form W-4 annually**, between January 1 – February 15.

You can update your income tax withholding through myPay or by submitting IRS Form W-4 (retiree) or W4-P (annuitant/former spouse).

You may update your state income tax withholding through myPay or by submitting DD Form 2868 (Request for Withholding State Tax). DFAS cannot withhold state income tax from SBP annuity pay.

DFAS cannot withhold local income tax from retired or SBP annuity pay.

VA COMPENSATION & WAIVER

The VA processes all VA compensation matters and you can contact the VA at (800) 827-1000 or at www.va.gov. **Retired pay is offset by any amount of VA compensation received.** The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) reports VA compensation to DFAS.

LIFE CHANGES/DEATH

If your SBP beneficiary dies before you, submit a copy of his or her death certificate and a written request to suspend your SBP premium.

If a retiree dies, submit his or her death certificate to DFAS or contact us at (800) 321-1080.

If you divorce, marry, have or adopt children, submit supporting documentation to DFAS. Some life changes are subject to deadlines, thus, you should submit documentation within one (1) year of any life change event.

If you elected child SBP coverage and your youngest child reaches age 18, graduates, and does not continue a full-time course of study, submit a copy of the diploma/certificate of completion and a written request to suspend premium payment.

ADDITIONAL ACTIONS WHEN REPORTING A DEATH

Notify the following:

Social Security Administration (www.ssa.gov)

Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) (www.tricare.mil/DEERS)

Department of Veterans Affairs (Disability or Dependency Indemnity Compensation)

RETIREE ALLOTMENTS

Retirees may start, stop, or change discretionary allotments, which may include insurance premiums, car or mortgage payments, or personal loan payments. Retirees may maintain a maximum of six (6) discretionary allotments at any time.

Retirees may also start, stop, or change an unlimited number of non-discretionary allotments; however, non-discretionary allotments may only be paid to designated payees, which may include savings bonds, service relief organizations, and military loans.

Retirees may update allotments through myPay.

DELTA DENTAL & TRICARE ALLOTMENTS

In order to start, stop, or change a Delta Dental or TRICARE allotment, you must contact Delta Dental or TRICARE directly. DFAS is unable to alter these allotments.

Delta Dental: (888) 838-8737

TRICARE EAST: (800) 444-5445

TRICARE WEST: (844) 866-9378