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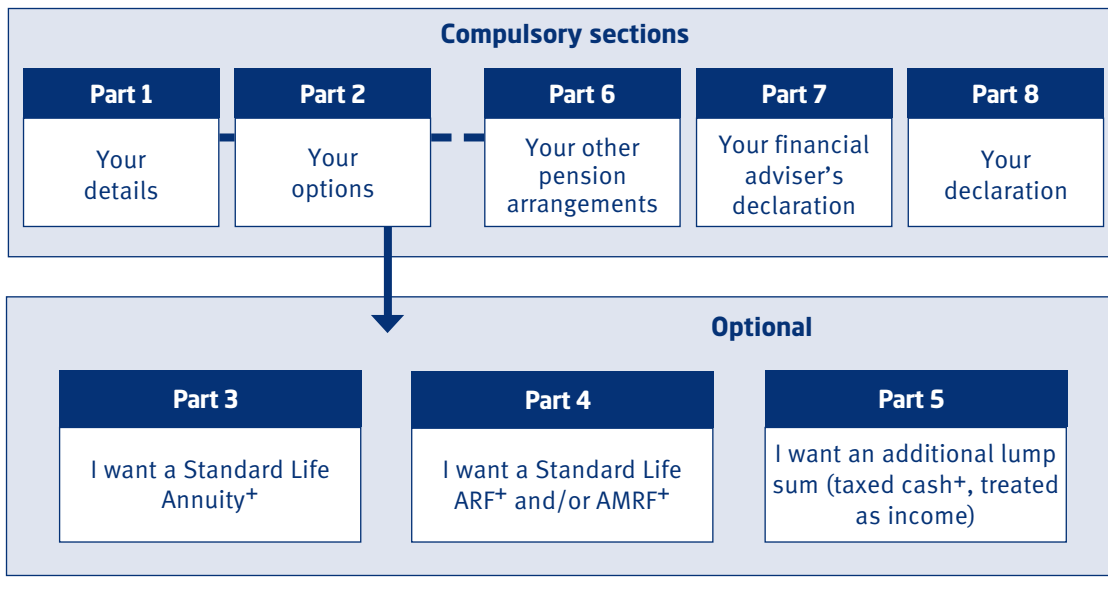
You need to complete this form if you are choosing to take your retirement benefits now. This will confirm how you want your pension to be paid. Before completing this form, you should talk to your financial adviser about your options and read 'Your Second Life. Your Way. A guide to planning for your retirement on your terms' (SLCUSB).

If you are taking your retirement benefits from a Synergy PRSA AVC, you need to complete a 'Retirement instruction for a company pension, buy out bond and PRSA AVC' form (OPSBRET), as your options and information requirements may be different. Your AVC benefit must, by law, be taken at the same time as your company pension benefit.

To help you complete this form, we have included a glossary at the back (highlighted in form with⁺) and a checklist.

What parts of this form do I need to complete?

The good news is that you don't have to complete all of this form – you only have to complete the sections relevant to the choices you make. Here's an overview:



⁺ See glossary.

Part 2 - Your options (Compulsory section)

You can choose to invest your pension fund with any provider when you retire. Talk to your financial adviser.

Tick/complete one or more, as appropriate:

- (a) Take a **lump sum**[^]: € or %
- (b) Purchase an **annuity**:
with Standard Life or with another annuity provider
- (c) Invest in an **approved retirement fund** and/or **approved minimum retirement fund**:
with Standard Life or with another Qualifying Fund Manager
- (d) Take an **additional lump sum** (taxed as income) €
- (e) Remain invested in my Synergy PRSA^{^^}, to make it a Vested Synergy PRSA⁺

If choosing an ARF or annuity with another provider, please give their address, product name and reference number

Provider's name and address
Product (please include a reference number if you have been given one)

Your bank details for payments we make

Please provide your bank details below. All payments payable to you will be lodged to this account.

Your International

Bank Account

Number (IBAN)

Name on your bank
account

Make sure your tax credits are correct

When we process our first payment to you, we're required to update Revenue online as your new or additional 'employer' so that tax can be deducted. If you have other income and want your tax credits allocated in a certain way, you must contact Revenue to tell them how, especially if you're not yet registered for PAYE (for example, you've been self-employed up to now).

Call Revenue on (01) 738 3636 - have your PPS number to hand, or register and/or sign in to www.revenue.ie/myaccount (Standard Life's 'employer' numbers are: 3586780HH for vested PRSAs and ARFs, 3587289KH for annuities, and 3587445VH for taxed cash payments.)

Please tick to confirm you have updated www.revenue.ie/myaccount or contacted Revenue

[^] On retirement, up to 25% of your policy value can be taken as a lump sum.

You have a total cash lump sum limit from all your pensions:

- the first €200,000 is tax free
- the next €300,000 is taxed at 20%
- any amount over €500,000 is treated as income and taxed under PAYE system.

Lump sums you've already taken from other pensions must be taken into account.

^{^^} Policy number beginning PR. If the Default Investment Strategy applies to your policy, it will not apply once you start taking your benefits. Your policy will remain invested in the funds it was invested in prior to retirement until we are instructed otherwise.

⁺ See glossary.

Before age 75, you must purchase an ARF or annuity with any remaining Vested Synergy PRSA policy value.

If the total of all your pensions is more than the Standard Fund Threshold (currently €2m) or your Personal Fund Threshold, we may have to deduct tax (currently 40%) on the excess.

Payments must be lodged to your own or jointly owned personal bank account.

Your IBAN is shown on your bank statement. (The last 14 characters of your Irish bank account's IBAN are your old 6 digit branch sort code (1st digit = 9) and old 8 digit account number).

'Emergency' taxes must be deducted where we don't get your Revenue Payroll Notification in time. This might happen if you're not yet registered with Revenue for PAYE.

If you invest in a Standard Life ARF and Standard Life annuity, separate payments will be made, regardless of payment dates.

Part 4 - I want an ARF (continued)

ARF and AMRF investment details

ARF € (minimum €10,000)

AMRF € (minimum €10,000, maximum €63,500)

Your ARF and AMRF investment choice

To fully understand what investment options are available to you read our Investment Options guide and our Self Directed Options guide and talk to your financial adviser.

Indicate how your total ARF and AMRF investments are to be allocated

Funds € and/or Self-Directed Options+ €

+ See glossary.

Funds

Choose from the following Standard Life funds

Absolute Return Global Bond Strategies (ARGBS)	<input type="text"/> %	Global Inflation Linked Bond	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Market IV	<input type="text"/> %
Asia Pacific Equity	<input type="text"/> %	Global Real Estate	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Market V	<input type="text"/> %
Cautious Managed	<input type="text"/> %	Global REIT	<input type="text"/> %	North American Equity	<input type="text"/> %
China Equity	<input type="text"/> %	Global Smaller Companies	<input type="text"/> %	Property	<input type="text"/> %
Corporate Bond	<input type="text"/> %	India Equity	<input type="text"/> %	Total Return Credit	<input type="text"/> %
Diversified Income	<input type="text"/> %	Japanese Equity	<input type="text"/> %	UK Equity	<input type="text"/> %
Enhanced-Diversification Growth	<input type="text"/> %	Managed	<input type="text"/> %	UK Smaller Companies	<input type="text"/> %
Euro Global Liquidity	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Active I	<input type="text"/> %	Vanguard Emerging Market Stock Index	<input type="text"/> %
European Equity	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Active II	<input type="text"/> %	Vanguard Euro Government Bond Index	<input type="text"/> %
European Ethical Equity	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Active III	<input type="text"/> %	Vanguard Eurozone Stock Index	<input type="text"/> %
European Smaller Companies	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Active IV	<input type="text"/> %	Vanguard Global Corporate Bond Index	<input type="text"/> %
Fixed Interest	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Active V	<input type="text"/> %	Vanguard Global Stock Index	<input type="text"/> %
Global Absolute Return Strategies (GARS)	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Market I	<input type="text"/> %	Vanguard US 500 Stock Index	<input type="text"/> %
Global Equity	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Market II	<input type="text"/> %		
Global Equity Impact	<input type="text"/> %	MyFolio Market III	<input type="text"/> %		

If you wish to invest in funds, indicate the relevant percentage in the table below. For example, if you indicated above that you wish to invest €10,000 in funds, and you want all of this amount to be invested in the Standard Life Managed Fund, you would insert **100%** beside **Managed**.

If your investment choice is different for your ARF and AMRF please make a copy of this page and send in with this form.

Part 4 - I want an ARF (continued)

Self-Directed Options

Execution only stockbroking

- Tick this box if you are selecting execution only stockbroking. We will pass your details to Stocktrade who will contact you directly.
- Tick this box if you want to set up a Stocktrade online account now to deal or view (Stocktrade account charges will apply)^
- Tick this box if you're an Irish national. If you're not, or you have dual nationality/citizenship, please give details

Nationality

National client identifier*

Your occupation

Your annual income before tax

- Under €20,000 €20,000 to €34,999 €35,000 to €49,999 €50,000 to €74,999 €75,000+

You are only allowed to trade in investments that are permitted by Standard Life. If it comes to our attention that you have bought non-permitted investments, we will instruct Stocktrade to sell those investments. In these circumstances, your policy will be charged the cost of selling those investments. If you are uncertain as to whether a particular investment is permitted, contact your financial adviser or Standard Life.

Deposits

Deposit provider	Deposit amount €	Deposit account term

Direct property

- Tick this box if you are purchasing a property. Please provide details of the property you wish to purchase by completing the Property Information Questionnaire (SYPIQ).

Authorising Standard Life to accept instructions from your financial adviser on your behalf

Note that we will only accept instructions from authorised persons once we are satisfied that we have verified the identity of the authorised person, and it is the responsibility of the authorised person and/or yourself to verify that your instructions have been carried out properly.

I authorise Standard Life to accept instructions from my financial adviser named in Part 9, to buy or sell Funds and Deposits under this policy.

This authorisation will apply until Standard Life receives a written instruction from me changing or withdrawing my authorisation.

Policyowner signature



Date

(DD/MM/YYYY)

^ Stocktrade will use your email address given in Part 1 to set up your online account. An additional charge applies for each deal arranged by post, email or fax.

* This could be passport number or other personal identity code, depending on country. For example, in UK, it's your National Insurance number. For other countries see Execution-only stockbroking form (SYEOS1).

There are minimum investment amounts applied by the Deposit providers. Please see www.standardlife.ie for the minimums that apply.

Talk to your financial adviser before completing this section.


Signature

Part 4 - I want an ARF (continued)

Your ARF income amount

Each year, you must withdraw a percentage of the value of your policy (before tax):

- 4%, if you are 60 years of age or over for the full tax year, or
- 5%, if you are 70 years of age or over for the full tax year, or
- 6%, if you have combined ARF and vested PRSA⁺ assets of €2 million or more, and are aged 60 or over for the full tax year.

If you do not make withdrawals of at least this amount during each year, in late December, we will make a withdrawal and lodge it to your bank account.

Please complete how much and when you want to be paid. Choose only one of (a), (b) or (c):

(a) % pa before tax[^] or

(b) € pa before tax^{^^} or

(c) a single withdrawal in late December each year **

If you choose (a) or (b), tell us how frequently: Every month Every 3 months Every 6 months Once a year

and when you want your first payment

ARF first payment date (DD/MM/YYYY) (earliest: 1 month after Start Date)

Make sure your tax credits are correct by updating Revenue - see page 3

Nominee Qualifying Fund Manager⁺

Is the total value of all your ARFs and Vested PRSAs⁺ more than €2m? Yes No

If yes, you must nominate a QFM. Please choose the QFM with your largest ARF investment to manage your distribution tax, and provide their details:

Name of Nominee QFM
Address
Reference number to be used on correspondence

⁺ See glossary.

ARF regular income withdrawals are processed as at 6th of the month or next following working day. Please allow at least 5 bank working days for payments to reach your account.

Payments must be lodged to your own or jointly owned personal bank account. Payments cannot be made by cheque.

The minimum ARF income p.a. is €900 (before tax).

[^] maximum 10% of policy value

^{^^} maximum 10% of premium

** Withdrawal based on your imputed distribution for the tax year.

If no, we will only pay the distribution tax for this policy from this policy.

Part 5 - I want a taxed cash lump sum

We need to make sure you meet the conditions for taking a taxed cash lump sum.

1. Have you invested €63,00 in an AMRF, Vested PRSA⁺ and/or annuity? Yes No
2. If no to question 1, have you a guaranteed pension income for life⁺ of €12,700 per annum? Yes No

If yes to 1 or 2, please give details and proof acceptable to Revenue (for example, copy of payment slip, letter from provider)

If you have answered No to questions 1 and 2, you need to

- (a) Invest in an AMRF which when added to your existing AMRF (if applicable) brings the total AMRF premium to €63,500
- (b) Purchase an annuity that, when added to your existing guaranteed pension income (if any), brings your total guaranteed pension income to €12,700 per annum or
- (c) Invest in a combination of an AMRF and an annuity to bring your total premium in an annuity and an AMRF to €63,500

You can only have one AMRF.

Part 6 - Your other pension arrangements (Compulsory section)

By law, you must also give us information about all of your pension benefits.

This information is required for several reasons. The main ones are

- to calculate your benefits accurately and
- deduct the correct amount of tax.

As with all pensions and tax, your answers may be audited by Revenue.

1. Did you direct or do you intend to direct that a payment or transfer be made to an overseas pension arrangement? Yes No

If yes, give more information including name and contact details of the overseas pension arrangement

2. Do you have any other pension arrangements that you **have already claimed** (including other pensions with Standard Life)? Yes No

If yes, give details

	Pension claimed 1	Pension claimed 2	Pension claimed 3
Pension provider			
Scheme type <small>*please also complete Defined Benefit section on next page</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> Defined Contribution <input type="checkbox"/> Defined Benefit*	<input type="checkbox"/> Defined Contribution <input type="checkbox"/> Defined Benefit*	<input type="checkbox"/> Defined Contribution <input type="checkbox"/> Defined Benefit*
Sponsoring employer			
Policy number			
Claim date			
Total value on claim date	€	€	€
Cash lump sum taken	€	€	€
Where was balance after Cash lump sum applied (tick all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Annuity <input type="checkbox"/> ARF, AMRF and/or Vested PRSA* <input type="checkbox"/> Taxed lump sum	<input type="checkbox"/> Annuity <input type="checkbox"/> ARF, AMRF and/or Vested PRSA* <input type="checkbox"/> Taxed lump sum	<input type="checkbox"/> Annuity <input type="checkbox"/> ARF, AMRF and/or Vested PRSA* <input type="checkbox"/> Taxed lump sum

If you have a Personal Fund Threshold, please provide a copy of the Revenue letter confirming it.

If you've more pensions than there's room for here, please copy Part 6 and send in with this form. We'll also accept this information in a supporting document. The member must sign any additional or supporting documents.

+ See glossary.

3. Do you have any other pension arrangements that you **have not yet claimed** (including other pensions with Standard Life)? Yes No

If yes, give details

	Pension not claimed 4	Pension not claimed 5	Pension not claimed 6
Type of policy <small>*please also complete Defined Benefit section on next page</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal pension (RAC) or PRSA <input type="checkbox"/> DC company scheme, AVC scheme, PRSA AVC, buy out bond or SSAS <input type="checkbox"/> DB company scheme*	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal pension (RAC) or PRSA <input type="checkbox"/> DC company scheme, AVC scheme, PRSA AVC, buy out bond or SSAS <input type="checkbox"/> DB company scheme*	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal pension (RAC) or PRSA <input type="checkbox"/> DC company scheme, AVC scheme, PRSA AVC, buy out bond or SSAS <input type="checkbox"/> DB company scheme*
Pension provider			
Policy number			
Current value	€	€	€
Expected retirement date			

Part 6 - Your other pension arrangements (continued) (Compulsory section)

4. If any of your pensions are Defined Benefit, give these additional details

Scheme name			
Value of annuity pa	€	€	€
Value of annuity accrued to 01/01/2014	€	€	€
Value of AVCs invested in ARF, AMRF, annuity and taxed lump sum	€	€	€

Part 7 - Your authorisation and declaration (Compulsory section)

Please read carefully before signing.

WARNING: If you propose to take out this policy in complete or partial replacement of an existing policy, please take special care to satisfy yourself that this policy meets your needs. In particular, please make sure that you are aware of the financial consequences of replacing your existing policy. If you are in doubt about this, please contact your insurer or insurance intermediary.

1. I instruct you to retire my Standard Life policy numbers quoted and to distribute the proceeds as detailed in this retirement instruction.
2. I have read the Data Protection Notice in the Key Features document and I agree that my personal information may be used for the purposes described.
3. I consent to Standard Life seeking relevant information relating to my past, present, future employers and pension arrangements from any employers, trustees, administrators, pension providers or qualifying fund managers and I authorise the giving of such information.
4. I authorise you to give information about my Standard Life pension policies listed in Parts 1 and 6, to my financial adviser named in Part 8.
5. The information given, whether in my handwriting or not, is true and complete.
6. I agree that a copy of this application can be treated as the original for all purposes.
7. I am beneficially entitled to the assets of the pension fund used to apply for my chosen retirement options and this investment consists only of assets from a Revenue approved pension arrangement.
8. I have received in writing and read the information specified in my financial adviser's declaration (Part 8).
9. If I have applied for an AMRF or ARF, I agree that the contract will be governed by the Policy Schedule, Statement of reasonable projection and Policy Provisions (SYARF60), together with this Application Form and any associated statements or questionnaires submitted in connection with this application.
10. If I have applied for an annuity, I agree that the contract will be governed by the Policy Schedule, Quotation and Policy Provisions (RIOTA60), together with this Application Form and any associated statements or questionnaires submitted in connection with this application.
11. I agree that the contract will be governed by Irish law.

Policyowner
signature



Date

(DD/MM/YYYY)

We would like to contact you from time to time to keep you up to date with products and services, company news and other promotions. If you want us to keep you up to date, please choose how you'd prefer us to contact you:

Email Phone Post Text

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www.standardlife.ie/privacy


Signature

You can update your consent and preference at any time, just let us know.

tick all that apply

Explanation of terms

Annuity – Buying an annuity with part of your pension fund will give you a guaranteed pension income for the rest of your life. It can also provide an income for your spouse/civil partner.

ARF – An approved retirement fund allows you to leave your pension fund invested and adjust your income to suit your needs. You must withdraw a certain percentage of your ARF each year - withdrawals are treated as income and taxed under the PAYE system. An AMRF is an ARF with restrictions.

Certified copy – To get certified copies of your documents, photocopy the originals, bring the originals and copies to a post office, bank, Garda station or qualified accountant/financial adviser. They'll check, stamp and sign each copy to certify it's a true copy of the original. Enclose those certified copies with this form.

Defined Benefit (DB) – A defined benefit pension (also known as a 'final salary' scheme) is a pension scheme where the benefits are set out in the rules of the scheme. The benefit is often based on the employee's earnings and pensionable service.

Defined Contribution (DC) – A defined contribution pension (also known as 'money purchase') is a pension which depends on how much you (and/or your employer) invests, the charges deducted, how well the investments have done and the way you take your benefits. The value of your pension pot can fall as well as rise.

Guaranteed pension income for life requirement – The Revenue accepts your State pension and pension annuities as guaranteed income for life. Income in respect of your spouse/civil partner or dependent is not taken into account. Neither is your salary, State assistance, allowances or benefits, rental income, or maintenance order payments. The Revenue need us to hold proof on file.

Until you provide satisfactory proof, your money will not be invested.

Guaranteed period – The annuity is payable for your lifetime or the guaranteed period chosen, whichever is longer. The guaranteed period applies to your annuity only, not to any spouse/civil partner's annuity. If you want your spouse/civil partner to get an income after your death, the maximum guaranteed period you can choose is 5 years.

If you choose a guaranteed period and a spouse/civil partner's annuity, your spouse/civil partner's annuity will start on your death (so, if you die within the guaranteed period, they will get 2 payments for the remainder of the guarantee period).

Imputed distribution – Revenue require us to regularly deduct tax from your retirement fund. To do this, they make an assumption that you withdraw a minimum amount each year. So, if you don't withdraw enough during the year (from which PAYE taxes are deducted), in December, we'll work out the difference between the Revenue's assumption and your earlier withdrawals, and, having deducted tax, pay this imputed distribution withdrawal to your bank account.

Nominee Qualifying Fund Manager – The manager you appoint to administer the tax deductions from all your ARFs and Vested PRSAs. You must nominate a QFM where the value of all your ARFs and Vested PRSAs is more than €2million.

Self-Directed Options – You can invest in a deposit account, execution-only stockbroking or Direct property.

If you choose to invest in a Self-Directed Option, your investment will initially be placed in the policy's cash account. You must have enough money in this account to allow us to carry out your instructions and to pay the charges related to the Self-Directed Options that you have selected.

Taxed cash – After taking your tax free lump sum, you can take the balance of your pension fund as a taxable lump sum if you meet the guaranteed pension income for life requirement or if you have a minimum of €63,500 invested in an AMRF and/or annuity. Taxable lump sums are treated as income and taxed under the PAYE system.

Vested PRSA – A PRSA where you have taken a cash lump sum and/or income.

Checklist

Avoiding delays - Your checklist

All the information we ask for is essential to set up and administer your pension. Any missing information will cause a delay. Some information is critical and until we get it, will mean that your money is not invested.

These are the most commonly missed:

Part 1 – Your details

Proof of your identity (for example, certified copy⁺ of passport or driving licence) must be sent in with this application, unless we already have it on file.

⁺ See glossary.

Part 2 – Bank details for your payments

PRSA income, ARF income, annuity payments, tax free and/or taxed lump sum will be lodged to the account you have given us on this form.

Please allow at least 5 bank working days for payments to reach your account.

Payments must be lodged to your own or jointly owned personal bank account.

Enclose a recent bank statement to confirm this if **you paid your contributions from a different account**.

Part 3 – Spouse/civil partner's annuity details (if applicable)

Proof of your spouse/civil partner's identity (for example certified copy of passport or driving licence) must be sent in with this application, unless we already have it on file.

Parts 4 and 5 – ARF and AMRF/taxed cash eligibility

Have you a guaranteed pension income for life of €12,700 per annum?

If yes, please give details and evidence acceptable to Revenue (for example, copy of payment slip, letter from provider).

Part 4 – Proof of your identity and address

If Self-Directed Option of execution-only stockbroking is chosen, you need to attach certified copies⁺ of one of each of the following:

Proof of identity, for example:

- Current passport
- Current EU driving licence

and

Proof of address, for example:

- Recent bill (electricity, phone or gas)
- Recent statement (bank or credit union)
- Recent document from Revenue or Dept of Social Protection

Current means not expired and recent means issued in the last 6 months. If you don't have a suitable document, talk to us of your financial adviser about alternatives.

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