

Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3309-1-42 Options; pop-up and election of new option.

Effective: May 3, 2019

(1) Upon the death of a spouse or a designated beneficiary, the lesser retirement allowance calculated as plan A, C, or D under division (B)(1)(a), (B)(3)(b), (B)(3)(c) or (B)(4) of section 3309.46 of the Revised Code or as option 1 or 2 under division (A) or (B) of section 3309.46 of the Revised Code as in effect prior to amendment effective July 24, 1990 shall be increased to the single lifetime retirement allowance.

- (2) Upon the death of a designated beneficiary under plan F under division (B)(3)(e) of section 3309.46 of the Revised Code, the retirant shall receive the actuarial equivalent of the retirants single lifetime retirement allowance based on the number of remaining beneficiaries, with no change in the amount payable to any remaining beneficiary.
- (1) Upon divorce, annulment, or marriage dissolution, the lesser retirement allowance calculated as plan A, C, or D under division (B)(1)(a), (B)(3)(b), (B)(3)(c) or (B)(4) of section 3309.46 of the Revised Code or as option 1 or 2 under division (A) or (B) of section 3309.46 of the Revised Code as in effect prior to amendment effective July 24, 1990 shall, at the election of the retirant, be increased to the single lifetime retirement allowance; except that no benefit first payable on or after August 1, 1990 shall be increased without the written consent of the ex-spouse or order of the court with jurisdiction over the termination of the marriage.
- (2) Upon the divorce, annulment, or marriage dissolution from a designated beneficiary under plan F, the retirant may elect to receive the actuarial equivalent of the retirants single lifetime retirement allowance based on the number of remaining beneficiaries, with no change in the amount payable to any remaining beneficiary; except the retirants benefit shall not be increased without the written consent of the ex-spouse or order of the court with jurisdiction over the termination of the marriage.
- (1) Upon marriage or re-marriage, a retirant receiving a single lifetime allowance may elect to have his allowance recalculated as plan A, C, or D, designating the current spouse as beneficiary.



- (2) Upon remarriage, a retirant receiving a benefit pursuant to a plan of payment providing for payment to a former spouse pursuant to a court order described in division (B)(1)(b)(ii) of section 3309.46 of the Revised Code may elect a new plan of payment adding the new spouse under division (B)(3)(e) of section 3309.46 of the Revised Code if the new plan of payment does not reduce the payment to the former spouse or to any other beneficiary designated at the time of retirement.
- (3) In the case of a retirant who marries or remarries on or after June 6, 2005, an election under paragraph (C) of this rule shall be received by school employees retirement system not later than one year after the marriage or remarriage.
- (4) A plan elected under paragraph (C) of this rule shall be calculated according to the actuarial factors in effect when such plan is elected and based on the age of the retirant and spouse at the time of selection.
- (D) The effective date for a change in plan and benefit shall be as follows:
- (1) Death of spouse the first of the month following death of spouse or September 1, 1976, whichever is later. The retirant shall furnish proof of date of death, satisfactory to the board.
- (2) Death of designated beneficiary other than spouse the first of the month following the death, or November 1, 1978, whichever is later. The retirant shall furnish proof of date of death, satisfactory to the board.
- (3) Divorce, annulment or marriage dissolution the first of the month following receipt of the application for a change of plan. The application shall be accompanied by proof of divorce, annulment or marriage dissolution, and any written consent of the ex-spouse or court order as required under paragraph (B) of this rule, satisfactory to the board.
- (4) Marriage or re-marriage provided all documents are received prior to the retirants death, the effective date for the change in the plan shall be the date the system receives the application, the marriage certificate, and any required consent or consent order; the effective date for the change in benefit shall be the first of the following month.



(E) The "single lifetime retirement allowance" determined under this rule shall be the original single lifetime allowance established at retirement plus any subsequent ad hoc pension increases and automatic cost-of-living increases which shall be applied to the original amounts granted. The original single lifetime allowance established at retirement shall be the portion of the allowance payable in monthly payments, if the retirant elected a plan that included a lump sum payment under division (B)(4) of section 3309.46 of the Revised Code.