

SMSF PENSION RESETS

Topdocs provides fully-tailored pension documentation that includes all the relevant calculations, is ASIC and SIS compliant, cover all audit requirements and can be delivered within minutes.

What is a pension reset?

Resetting a pension is simply the process of commuting an existing pension, adding in additional monies from the Member's accumulation account, then re-establishing the pension with the new, larger balance.

Pension Resets enable your clients to 'top up' their pension account without the need to commence multiple pensions. This not only enables your clients to transfer more of their benefit into pension mode, but reduces the burden for SMSF administrators in managing multiple pension accounts.

Pension Resets are suitable in some circumstances but not others. There is a balancing act between the options of resetting a pension or commencing a new pension.

For example:

- If a contribution was made during the year would you reset the pension or commence a new pension at the time of the contribution? With a new pension commencement you may be able to avoid the cost of an actuarial certificate and not need to complete accounts at that date. But you would end up with lots of pensions.
- If a contribution was made during the year would you reset the pension at the end of the year? Here you would avoid a multitude of new pensions over

time but would need to pay for an actuarial certificate and may have some tax to pay on earnings in accumulation mode.

There are rules including ensuring that the minimum pension payment has been made on the existing pension before commuting and resetting. Also does your deed allow for resetting the pension?

Detailed and thorough

With increased scrutiny on SMSFs by the ATO, correct preparation of pension documentation is more crucial than ever.

Topdocs ensures your client's pensions are comprehensively documented in accordance with the legislation.

Topdocs pension resets include the following documentation:

- Application, letters and minutes commuting the existing pension;
- Comprehensive Product Disclosure Statement that complies with ASIC disclosure requirements;
- Pension application;
- Pension agreement;
- Trustee minutes, minimum and maximum pension notices & letters;
- Details relevant ATO documentation required for pensioners under 60;

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- Full calculations including minimum and maximum pension payment values.

Ordering your pension reset online

Ordering your Pension reset online is quick and easy using the Topdocs Document Portal.

You can register for free at www.topdocs.com.au or log in to

the Topdocs Document Portal with an existing username and password.

More information

Should you have any queries or require more information, please contact the team at Topdocs on 1300 659 242.

KEY FEATURES OF THE TOPDOCS PENSIONS	INCLUDED IN THE TOPDOCS PENSION DOCUMENTATION?
Fully tailored and complete pension documentation – not merely pension kits	✓
A complete range of pension documentation - Account Based Pensions, Transition to Retirement Income Streams, Pension Resets and Allocated Pension Conversions	✓
The ability to order your pension online	✓
Have your pension emailed to you within 5 minutes	✓
Pension documents suitable with any SMSF Trust Deed, not just the Topdocs Deed (subject to the deed allowing payment of the pension)	✓
Full calculations of the Minimum & Maximum pension amounts	✓
The ability to commence pensions with known or unknown balances	✓
The ability to document the terms of a pension already established but not yet documented	✓
The ability to confirm and document pensions where prior decisions made to commence the pension	✓
Comprehensive pension agreement that include the requirements in regulations 1.06 and 1.07D of the SIS regulations	✓
A comprehensive PDS that meets ASIC's disclosure requirements	✓
A comprehensive pension agreement that adds to the Fund's governing rules	✓
Preparation of PAYG withholding documentation for pensioners under 60	✓ full service delivery only
Preparation of Tax File Number declarations for pensioners under 60	✓ full service delivery only
SMSF Deed review to ensure the deed has the required provisions to pay the pension	✓ full service delivery only