

# Death Grant



## Expression of Wish

### (For Members of the Local Government Pension Scheme)

Please read these notes carefully then complete the form overleaf

If you die whilst you are a contributing member of the Local Government Pension Scheme a lump sum death grant of 3 years pay is payable from the Pension Fund. A smaller amount may also be payable if you die as deferred member or you are a pensioner who dies within 5 or 10\* years of retirement.

\*10 years if you left the scheme after 31 March 2008

The advantage of an Expression of Wish is that any death grant will be paid quickly and normally without any liability for inheritance tax. A death grant is paid at the discretion of the Fund and does not form part of your Estate.

#### **Please note that:**

1. You can nominate one or more individuals, whether or not related to you, and/or an unincorporated or incorporated body to receive a share of your death grant.
2. If you are nominating more than one individual please make sure the shares add up to exactly 100%
3. Whilst the City of London will give great weight to your expression of wish, it has absolute discretion to pay the death grant to a member's nominee or personal representative or any or other person who appears to have been a relative or dependent.
4. Where a valid expression of wish form does not exist, the City of London will pay the grant, as it sees fit, to such persons who appear to have been a relative/dependent at the time of death.
5. A death grant is usually paid to whoever you have nominated but nominations will be treated by the City of London as not being in force at the time of the member's death if:
  - the nominated beneficiary has died;
  - the City of London is of the opinion that payment of the death benefit to the nominated beneficiary is not reasonably practical
6. You must remember to revise your expression of wish form whenever your circumstances change. You should complete a new form to change your beneficiaries.
7. If you are nominating a child you may wish to consider establishing a trust fund.
8. A death grant is only payable if you are under age 75 at the date of death

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## Member Details

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Forename(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer or former Employer \_\_\_\_\_

National Insurance Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_ Tel Number \_\_\_\_\_

I wish the City of London Pension Fund, in the exercise of its absolute discretion, to consider paying any lump sum death benefit due under the Local Government Pension Scheme, to the following individual(s) or organisation(s) and, if more than one, in the following shares.

## Beneficiary Details

| Name and Address                            | Relationship (if any) | Date of Birth (if under 18) | Share of Benefit (%) |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
|   |                       |                             |                      |
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| (Please use additional sheets if necessary) |                       | Total                       | 100%                 |

I certify that I have read the notes overleaf and that the above details are correct to the best of my knowledge

Member's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed form to:

City of London, Pensions Office, PO Box 270, Guildhall, London, EC2P 2EJ

✉ [pensions@cityoflondon.gov.uk](mailto:pensions@cityoflondon.gov.uk)