IFGL PENSIONS BENEFIT ELECTION FORM

You should read these notes thoroughly before fully completing and signing this form.

You may take benefits from your SIPP from age 55. If you are in an occupation which allows early retirement, or if you are in ill-health, it may be possible to draw benefits at an earlier age. If you think this may apply to you please obtain financial advice.

This Benefit Election Form should be completed if you wish to:

- Take a pension commencement lump sum only (PCLS, previously known as Tax Free Lump Sum)
- Start drawing benefits as a PCLS and/or flexi-access income drawdown
- Take additional capped drawdown (available only if already taking capped drawdown)
- Take a Pension Commencement Excess Lump Sum (PCELS)
- Take an uncrystallised funds pension lump sum (UFPLS).

If you are in receipt of capped drawdown currently and wish to convert to receiving flexi-access drawdown please do not complete this form. Please contact IFGL Pensions to request a 'Capped Drawdown Flexi-Access Conversion Form'.

When you draw benefits from your SIPP you may take part or all of your pension commencement lump sum (PCLS). You normally have an option to take up to 25% of the value of the pension fund as a PCLS.

Benefits from your SIPP cannot be paid until all information and documentation we are required to obtain has been provided. Incomplete information and missing documentation will delay payment. We will need complete details of ALL pension arrangements of which you are a member and of any benefits taken from them including the amount of the Lifetime Allowance already used. You may first need to obtain these details from the administrator(s) of other pension arrangement(s) for us to make payments.

You must ensure there is sufficient cash in the SIPP bank account to pay the benefits requested. Having insufficient cash will prevent the payment of benefits until you have provided disinvestment instructions and the transaction is completed to make cash available in the bank account.

Taking benefits from your SIPP is an important step and may be complex depending on personal circumstances. If you are unaware of the financial planning implications of taking benefits, the tax treatment of the benefits, and/or the limitations which may apply to your ability to make further contributions, you should discuss these with a financial adviser.

Free guidance is available from Pension Wise, an impartial service set up by the UK government for people retiring with defined contribution pensions. It will help you understand your choices and how they work. You can access the information in the Pension Wise section of the Money Helper website (https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en/pensions-and-retirement/pension-wise) and, if you are aged 50 or over, can book an appointment to discuss what you can do with your pension pot, the different benefit types and how they work and the tax you may pay on your benefits.



For clients who have not received financial advice in relation to taking benefits from their pension pot

It is essential that you consider fully and understand the risks associated with the type of benefits you wish to take from your SIPP and IFGL Pensions is required to establish that you have received appropriate risk warnings regarding your decisions.

If you have not received advice from a Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) regulated UK financial adviser we are obliged to ask you questions about your circumstances to enable us to issue you with the appropriate risk warnings. This is a two-stage process which influences how quickly we can make benefit payments. When you have received and acknowledged you understand the information we are then obliged to ask you to confirm your decision and how you wish to proceed.

IFGL Pensions does not and cannot provide financial, investment or tax advice regarding taking benefits

The FCA have, from February 2021, also introduced an 'Investment Pathway' process applicable to members who have not received regulated UK financial advice and this is explained in more detail below.

Investment Pathways

The following information is specifically intended for customers who are applying for pension benefits but have not received financial advice and a personal recommendation from an FCA regulated UK financial adviser about taking pension benefits within the past 12 months.

It is important that you review the Investment Pathways information so you may assess whether your investments align to your requirements appropriately.

The FCA have implemented regulations designed to ensure that a person entering drawdown, who does not receive FCA regulated UK financial advice in relation to the request to enter drawdown (designate some, or all, of the sums or assets in their pension scheme to drawdown), is made aware of the options available to them.

The aim of these regulations is to ensure that once a person enters drawdown, their funds will continue to be invested rather than left in cash and/or cash-like investments. The FCA is concerned that some people entering drawdown may not make an active decision about investing their drawdown funds, meaning that their funds will not meet their long-term pension income objectives.

Leaving funds in cash and/or cash-like investments over the long-term may mean that the effect of inflation reduces the value of the funds held.

If over 50% of your drawdown fund is invested in cash and/or cash-like investments we are obliged to send you a 'Cash Warning' letter and obtain confirmation you have made an active decision to hold your pension fund in this manner.

The FCA have mandated that some providers must offer 'Investment Pathways' to enable and assist clients, who have not received FCA regulated UK financial advice, to select an investment option that best fits their needs in retirement. An investment pathway is a range of investment options aimed to meet specific drawdown objectives. Four 'options' will be offered, and the person may select an option based on their plans for their drawdown fund. The pathway options are covered later in this document.

You do not have to choose to use the investment pathways. Instead, you can elect for your drawdown funds to remain invested in the current investments or you can elect to choose your own investments.

IFGL Pensions does not offer investment options, therefore if you tell us that you wish to use an investment pathway based on one of the four options we will provide details of a comparison tool operated by the Money and Pensions Service under their 'MoneyHelper' brand to enable you to find a provider that does offer investment options. If you select one of these provider's investment pathways we will arrange at your request for your funds to be transferred to that provider.

The Money and Pensions Service is a UK government funded body, is independent and provides an impartial service to help you understand your choices at retirement.

SECTION A: TAKING BENEFITS
Start date for taking benefits
Immediate (if so, please tick) Or, selected start date:
Please note: We cannot backdate the start date for your benefits. If you have ticked for immediate benefits the start date will be set as the date we receive this form and the assets of your SIPP will be valued on the next available valuation date and will be used to calculate your benefits. If you have nominated a particular start date this form must be received by us in advance of that date or we must use the date of receipt of the form.
Personal details
Your SIPP reference number:
Title: Full forename(s):
Surname: Date of birth:
Permanent residential address:
Home telephone number:
Mobile number:
Email address:
Nationality:
UK National Insurance No:
I am tax resident in the United Kingdom: Yes No
I am tax resident in (country name):
Tax Identification No ('TIN'):

THE PENSION WISE SERVICE

The FCA require us to make you aware of a service called Pension Wise.

Pension Wise is a government backed service which offers free and impartial pension guidance to help anyone over the age of 50 understand their options for accessing their pension savings from age 55 onwards. Pension Wise guidance can be delivered by phone, face to face, or through another electronic medium. During the appointment, you will receive pensions guidance with an independent pension specialist. They will talk you through your options to help you make an informed decision. Accessing your pension benefits will be one of the most important financial decisions you make in your lifetime, so it is important to be fully informed. You can choose to book yourself, or we at IFGL Pensions can arrange this for you. You also have the option of taking advice from a UK FCA regulated financial adviser at your own cost.

To date, customer satisfaction with the Pension Wise service has been very high, with 94% of those surveyed in 2019-20 saying they were "very or fairly satisfied with their overall experience". 91% felt it helped them consider their options more thoroughly and 97% would recommend the service to others.

Pension Wise Appointment
I have booked a Pension Wise appointment myself
Website: https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en/pensions-and-retirement/pension-wise/book-a-free-pension-wise-appointment
Telephone: 0800 138 3944
Pension Wise appointment date (dd/mm/yyyy):
I want IFGL Pensions to book a Pension Wise appointment for me
Please provide details of when you can attend a Pension Wise appointment:
Day:
Time:
Memorable word for Pension Wise to confirm at the start of the appointment:
Telephone number:
I want to 'Opt out' of the Pension Wise appointment

SECTION B: ADVICE DETAILS		
I have not taken advice from	an FCA regulated UK financial adviser regarding this	s benefits application.
I have received guidance from	m Pension Wise regarding my benefits.	
I have taken advice from an I the transaction unaided.	FCA regulated UK financial adviser regarding this be	nefits application but want to complete
	e required by the FCA to provide you with details about warnings and any additional questions. If available, μ email.	
	/E BOXES ARE TICKED THEN PLEASE COMPLETE O THE RETIREMENT RISK QUESTIONS AT SECTION	
	FCA regulated UK financial adviser regarding this bernings and are facilitating this transaction on my beh	
If you have ticked this box the UK	K financial adviser must confirm this by completing ar	nd signing the details below.
Full name of UK regulated firm:		
Address:		
Postcode:		
FCA reference number:		
Signed:		Date:
Name:		
Position:		

IF ADVICE HAS BEEN TAKEN AND THE ADVISER DETAILS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED THEN THE INVESTMENT PATHWAYS SECTION C AND RETIREMENT RISK QUESTIONS AT SECTION F DO NOT REQUIRE COMPLETING.

SECTION C: INVESTMENT PATHWAYS - STEPS

Please read and answer the following questions so that we can attach it to your member record.
Step 1:
Please specify how you wish to select the investment for your drawdown fund from the following:
I wish to use Investment Pathways - if ticked please go to Step 2, below.
I wish to select my own investments without using the Investment Pathways – if ticked go to Section D "Benefits Options"
I wish to remain invested in my current investments – if ticked go to Section D "Benefits Options".
I have reviewed the information provided but am undecided about how I wish to proceed – if ticked go to Step 3, visit the Money Helper website via the link provided, and then complete Steps 2 and 3.
Step 2:
Please select the Investment Pathway option which most closely matches your objective for your pension, or part of your pension, after any tax-free lump sum has been paid.
Option 1: I have no plans to access my money in the next five years.
Option 2: I plan to use my money to set up a guaranteed income (annuity) within the next five years.
Option 3: I plan to start taking my money as a long-term income in the next five years.
Option 4: I plan to take out all of my money within the next five years.
Step 3:
IFGL Pensions does not offer a Pathway Investment that matches one of the four options you have selected above. You may benefit from shopping around and the Government's Money Helper service is available to assist you with comparing pathway investments that are available from other providers. To find out more about the pension providers that currently offer pathway investments please visit:
https://comparison.moneyhelper.org.uk/en/tools/drawdown-investment-pathways
I confirm that I have looked at the drawdown comparison tool available from The MoneyHelper Service and have decided that:
I do not wish to proceed with taking pension benefits.
I wish to proceed but will remain invested in my current investments.
I wish to proceed but will select my own investments.
I wish to transfer my SIPP to a pathway provider. (We will send you our Transfer-out application form).
I have reviewed the information provided but am undecided about how I wish to proceed.

SECTION D: BENEFIT OPTIONS

Our payroll payment date is the 15th of every month. All completed paperwork must be received in our office by the 5th of the month to be added to that month's payroll and funds must also be available by the 5th of the month in your SIPP bank account. All payments are made in the next available payroll run.

Taxation: Payments are subject to UK income tax and IFG Pensions Ltd, as scheme administrator, must deduct tax based on your UK tax code. If you have a P45 or have completed a P46 this should be provided with this form. If we have neither a P45 nor P46 we are obliged to apply the emergency tax code on a month one basis. We can only change a tax code if instructed to do so by HMRC so, if necessary, you should contact them in advance of taking pension benefits and in sufficient time to meet your needs. Any challenge about the tax code or reclaim for tax overpayment can only be made by you direct to HMRC and IFGL Pensions has no authority or discretion in this matter and cannot act on your behalf.

I wish to apply for the following benefit option: (note: all amounts must be stated gross of UK income tax)

Flexi-Access Drawdo	wn			
I would like to take:				
PCLS	Maximum*	Specific Amount	t: £	
Income required:	Maximum*	Specific Amoun	t: £	gross per annum.
*If you have selected both	maximum PCLS and maxim	num income this will me	an your SIPP will be closed.	
Payment Frequency:	Monthly	Quarterly	Half Yearly	
	Annually	Single		
Month of Income payment	commencement:			
_			ouying a lifetime annuity) may t ent contributions you can mak	
Capped Drawdown (only available if you are alre	eady receiving capped d	rawdown)	
I would like to take:				
Pension Lump Sum:	Maximum	Specific Amoun	t: £	
Income required:	Maximum	Specific Amount	t: £	gross per annum.
If selected, does the specif	fic amount include the curre	ent income payments m	ade from your SIPP?	
Yes	No, it is additiona	le		
Payment Frequency:	Monthly	Quarterly	Half Yearly	
	Annually	Single		
Month of income payment	commencement:			
Uncrystallised Funds	: Pension Lump Sum (UFPL	S)		
I would like to take:		•		
The whole fund	Specific Amount:	£	Percentage of fund:	%

Note: Should you wish to receive regular UFPLS payments you will need to complete one form per payment. Taking UFPLS will trigger the Money Purchase Annual Allowance (MPAA), and will reduce the amount of tax efficient contributions you can make into a pension in the future.

Payment Details - United Kingdom

You **must** provide a certified bank statement dated within three months.

Please provide the details of the bank or building society to which payment should be made. Name of Bank/Building Society: Address: Postcode: Account name: Account number: Sort Code: **Building Society Roll number:** Note: IFG Pensions Ltd fees for processing benefit payments and any bank charges will be deducted from your SIPP account and sufficient funds should be included in any disinvestment made or cash held in the bank account. A schedule of fees and related costs will be included in our response upon receipt of this Benefit Election Form. **Payment Details - International** You must provide a certified bank statement dated within three months. In which currency do you wish to receive the funds? Destination country: Name of Bank: Address: Postcode: Account name: Account number: Swift Code: IBAN: BIC number: Payment reference:

Note: IFG Pensions Ltd fees for processing benefit payments and any bank charges will be deducted from your SIPP account and sufficient funds should be included in any disinvestment made or cash held in the bank account. A schedule of fees and related costs will be included in our response upon receipt of this Benefit Election Form.

Please be aware that the receiving bank may make charges which it will deduct from payments received.

SECTION E: CURRENT BENEFITS

full. Please tick the boxes applicable and provide details wher misleading information in relation to taking benefits from a U			an offence to giv	ve false or
This is the first time I have taken pension benefits from a	any pension schem	e.		
I have not made, or applied for, any transfers to any over	seas schemes sinc	e 6th April 2006.		
I am, or was, in receipt of benefits commenced before 6t	h April 2006 from	a pension scheme	÷.	
Name of Scheme and Provider		Current maximum payable from pre in payment	-	
		£		
		£		
		£		
IFGL Pensions SIPP product. Name of Scheme and Provider		Percentage of Lit		ce used and
		%		
		%		
		%		
I have applied for other pension benefits which will compensions SIPP product.	mence before or o	n the start date fo	r benefits from	an IFGL
Name of Scheme and Provider	Lump Sum Death Benefit Allowance used	Lump Sum Allowance Used	Commenceme	nt date
	%	%		
	%	%		
	%	%		

In order that we may calculate the amount of Lifetime Allowance you have used please complete the following section in

I have made overseas transfers on or after 6th April 2006, and/or will have benefits from an IFGL Pensions SIPP product.	transfers made be	efore or o	n the s	tart da	ate f	or
Overseas transfers before 6th April 2024						
Name of Scheme and Provider	Percentage of Lifetime Allowance used and commencement date					
	%					
	%					
	%				\top	
Overseas transfers after 6th April 2024						
Name of Scheme and Provider Percentage of Overseas Transfer Allowance (OTA) and commencement date						
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Lifetime Allowance I have, or am applying for, HMRC Lifetime Allowance protection or enhancement. Yes No If you have answered yes, please provide the information and a copy of the certificate(s) with this application.						
Type of protection/enhancement	Reference nu	umber				
If you have a Transitional Tax-Free Cash Sum Certificate please provide details						

SECTION F: RISK QUESTIONNAIRE

If you have taken advice from a UK FCA regulated financial adviser regarding this benefits application and they have provided you with appropriate risk warnings and are facilitating this transaction you do not need to complete this risk questionnaire.

Plea	se answer all the questions	Yes	No
1.	Have you visited the Pension Wise website to better understand your benefit options?		
2.	Pension Wise is a free-to-use impartial service. Have you spoken to anyone there about your circumstances?		
3.	Have you established what your life expectancy is?		
4.	Have you been diagnosed with any long-term illness which may affect your daily activities or life expectancy?		
5.	Might you be entitled to an enhanced annuity?		
6.	Do you plan to use your pension to fund long-term care should you need it?		
7.	Do you have a spouse or partner and/or dependants who may outlive you?		
8.	Have you considered how taking benefits may impact the funds available to your spouse or partner and/or your dependants after you die?		
9.	Is your nomination of beneficiaries form up-to-date?		
10.	Taking cash from your pension may mean your estate will be subject to Inheritance Tax. Are you comfortable with this position?		
11.	In deciding on how much of your fund you wish to take have you considered how inflation will impact your lifestyle?		
12.	Have you established how long your pension income will last at the rate at which you wish to take benefits?		
13.	Have you compared the different charges and fees you will pay for the various benefit options available to you?		
14.	Have you shopped around to obtain the best deal for your benefit options?		
15.	Pension payments are subject to income tax. Have you established how much tax you will pay?		
16.	Taking income in excess of your needs may mean you pay higher rates of tax than necessary. Have you considered the tax effectiveness of your planning?		
17.	Taking income from a SIPP can trigger a reduction in the amount you can save tax efficiently into a pension in the future. Have you considered whether you are likely to want to continue to save more into pensions after any withdrawals?		
18.	Are you taking benefits to make another investment?		
19.	Have you been approached to use your pension income in an investment to boost your level of income?		
20.	Are you aware that creditors may have a call on any money taken from pension savings?		
21.	Have you considered that taking money out of a pension scheme may impact the amount of any means-tested benefits you may claim?		
22.	Have you looked at The Pensions Regulator's website for information and warnings about pension scams?		

SECTION G: MEMBER DECLARATION

Please read and consider the following carefully. The details provided in this benefits application will form the basis on which IFGL Pensions will rely. For your own benefit and protection, you should read this Declaration in full before agreeing to it by signing.

- 1. I hereby request and consent to the payment of benefits as set out in this form.
- 2. I confirm that I understand the risks associated with taking benefits.
- 3. I confirm that the information I have provided is to the best of my knowledge true and complete.
- 4. I agree that I will indemnify the Scheme Administrator and Trustee against any liability to pay tax or any other charges which arise out of the provision of incorrect or misleading information.
- 5. As a consequence of the payment of any pension commencement lump sum I confirm any contributions paid by me, or on my behalf, to this or any other pension scheme will not be significantly greater than would otherwise have been. I acknowledge that such action may be deemed a recycling of funds which if so decided may result in benefits being an unauthorised member payment and subject to tax charges.
- 6. I agree to the Scheme Administrator contacting HMRC to confirm the details of any personal tax code and any protection or enhancement certificate in respect of the Lifetime Allowance.
- 7. I understand that the scheme administrator can only pay benefits in accordance with HMRC rules, which are subject to change and cannot be guaranteed.
- 8. I confirm that it is my responsibility to contact HMRC if they have supplied the incorrect income tax code and a reclaim of overpayment is required.
- 9. I understand that the scheme administrator cannot be held responsible if there is insufficient liquidity in the fund or cash available in the SIPP bank account to continue to make income payments.
- 10. I agree to the deduction from my SIPP of the scheme administrator's fees and any related costs as a result of the payment of benefits.

Member's signature:	
Member's name:	
Date (dd/mm/yyyy):	
	the following carefully. Where an individual was subject to a bankruptcy order dated prior to nsion can potentially be claimed by the Trustee in Bankruptcy.
1. I have not been sub	ject to a Bankruptcy Order dated prior to 29th May 2000.
Member's signature:	
Member's name:	
ssor s name.	
Date (dd/mm/yyyy):	

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