# Guide to Retirement Forms

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Municipal Employer Retirement Verifications • Employer Certification of Retirement and Final Wages

- Salary Verification for Service Credit
- Verification of Retroactive Salary



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EMPLOYER CERTIFICATION OF RETIREMENT AND FINAL WAGES
Do not submit this form more than 3 months prior to member's retirement. This form must be completed in entirety and signed by both the member and employer. For additional information, see instructions at the end.
Please print clearly in black ink.
Section 1 - Member information
First and middle names Last name
Address (street number, street name and apartment number) City State Zip code
Home phone number (area cade and number) Business phone number (area cade and number) Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy) Social Security number (4 last digits anly)
Section 2 - Employment information         Name of the employer         M       M         M       M         Employment start date
M         D         V
Reason for separation from service         Type of retirement (check one):       Service retirement         Disability retirement sub type (for disability only – check one):       Ordinary         Accidental         For accidental disability, please provide annual salary rate: \$

Employees' Retirement System of Rhode Island



Employment Information





### Name of the employer

- the Municipal employer employee retired from



### **Position of the member**

- Specific title of the position retired from



### Termination Information





**Date of Termination** - last day of employment



Last pay date - final pay period end date for wages earned



Date of last wage/contribution submitted to retirement





#### EMPLOYER CERTIFICATION OF RETIREMENT AND FINAL WAGES

#### Section 4 - Unreported wages, contributions and service credit

Pay period start date	Pay period end date	Wages	Contributions	Types of wages	Service credited for this period

#### Section 5 - Supplemental pension information

is your municipality accepting the provisions of § 16-7-19.1 (Optional incentive Bonus)? If Yes No If yes, please give the number of years in your municipality and amount of bonus: # of years \_\_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year

#### Section 6 - Salary certification

Report 5 highest consecutive years of salary or last 5 years solary, whichever is greater. Solary reported must not include avertime, unused sick or vacation time, compensatory time, or payments made in anticipation of member's retirement.

R	Year	Contractual salary	# of days in school year	# days compensated while students in session	Amount earned in school year
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L	Year	Full contractual salary (calendar year)	# of pay periods	Longevity earned	Effective date of longevity	10 month employee	12 month employee
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Unreported wages, contributions and service credit

Pay period start date	Pay period end date	Wages	Contributions	Types of wages	Service credite for this period
6/07/20	6/18/20	\$980	\$90.65	Regular	7 days



Remaining pay periods of wages and contributions to be reported to retirement.





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Salary Certification 1

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L	Year	Full contractual salary (calendar year)	# of pay periods	Longevity earned	Effective date of longevity	10 month employee	12 month employee
A A	2020	\$36,400	26	\$500 7	/1/19 -6/30/2	20 🔲	X
-	2019						
-	2018						
z	2017						
D E	2016						

Full Contractual Salary (calendar year) – not actual salary earned

<u>For 12-month employee</u> - What **would have earned** in a calendar year if worked and earned the full 26 pay periods or 52 weeks of salary without any time without pay.

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Salary Certification

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L	Year	Full contractual salary (calendar year)	# of pay periods	Longevity earned	Effective date of longevity	10 month employee	12 month employee
P A	2020	\$36,400	26	\$500    7	/1/19 -6/30/2	0	X
-	2019						
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2) **# of pay periods** – based on type of position

If 12-month employee – 26 pay periods or 52 weeks

If 10-month employee – number of pay periods from January to June and September to December.



### Salary Certification

### Longevity earned

The amount of regular longevity per contract the employee earned for the period worked.

### **Example Scenario**

Employee has a July 1 anniversary date for longevity.

Employee earns \$500 longevity for working 7/1 to 6/30.

Last day of employment 12/31/20.

Contract states if last day of employment is after December 30, the full \$500 longevity is paid to employee.

However, because the employee did not work the full 12months from 7/1 to 6/30 before ending employment, a pro-rated longevity amount will be included in retirement wages. The pro-rated longevity amount would be \$250 for working 7/1/20 through 12/31/20.



Salary Certification

	Year	Full contractual salary (calendar year)	# of pay periods	3 Longevity earned	Effective date of longevity	10 month employee	12 month employee
A				\$250 * -	/1/20 - 12/31	20	X
-	2020	\$36,400	26	\$500	7/1/19 - 6/30	/20	X
- C	2019	\$35,400	26	\$500	7/1/18 - 6/30	/19	X
z	2018	\$34,400	26	\$500	7/1/17 - 6/30	18 📃	X
⊃ ⊻	2017	\$33,400	26	\$400	7/1/16 - 6/30	/17 🔲	X
	2016	\$32 <b>,</b> 400	26	\$400	7/1/15 - 6/30/	16 🗖	X

\* Pro-rated longevity. Full year longevity \$500 (7/1/20 - 6/30/21).



**Longevity earned** – the amount of regular longevity per contract the employee earned for the period worked

-Attaching contract section if available is most helpful.

-Include **pro-rated longevity** earned for the period worked.

-Add a footnote to include what the full year longevity would have been if employee continued to work.

Salary Certification

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_	2016	\$32,400	26	\$400	7/1/15 - 6/30	16 🗖	X

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**Effective date of longevity** – the start and end date of the period the longevity was earned for the period worked. (i.e. 7/1/19 - 6/30/20).



Salary Certification

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L	Year	Full contractual salary (calendar year)	# of pay periods	Longevity earned	Effective date of longevity	10 month employee	12 month employee
P A	2020	\$36,400	26	bi-weekly 7	/1/19 – 6/30/:	20 🔲	X
-	2019	\$35,400	26	N/A	N/A		X
с –	2018						
z	2017						
D N	2016						

Use this example when longevity included in each payroll or ineligible.



- Longevity earned
- Specify if included in each weekly or bi-weekly payroll
- Specify with "N/A" if employee ineligible for longevity



### Salary Certification

Excerpt from Rhode Island General Law § 36-8-1

(8) "**Compensation**" ... shall mean salary or wages earned and paid for the performance of duties for covered employment, including **regular longevity** or incentive plans approved by the board, but <u>shall not include</u> payments made for overtime or any other reason other than performance of duties, including but not limited to the types of payments listed below:

(i) Payments contingent on the employee having terminated or died;

(ii) Payments made at termination for unused sick leave, vacation leave, or compensatory time;

(iii) Payments contingent on the employee terminating employment at a specified time in the future to secure voluntary retirement or to secure release of an unexpired contract of employment;

(iv) Individual salary adjustments which are granted primarily in anticipation of the employee's retirement;

(v) Additional payments for performing temporary or extra duties beyond the normal or regular workday or work year.





#### EMPLOYER CERTIFICATION OF RETIREMENT AND FINAL WAGES

#### Section 6 - Salary certification (continued)

	Year	Retro payments (if applicable to years listed)	Effective date of retro	Amount of retro per pay period	10 month employee	12 month employee
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#### Section 7 - Disclaimer and signatures

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The undersigned acknowledges that he/she has read the foregoing disclaimer, understands the contents, has reviewed all information provided for accuracy and has determined it to be correct, and is signing it freely and voluntarily.

I understand that any person who makes a false statement or shall falsify or permit to be falsified any record to the retirement system in an attempt to defraud the system may be subject to criminal prosecution, and with that understanding, I certify that all information on this form is true and correct.



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Authorized employer representative signature	Date of signature
Authorized employer representative name (print)	Title
Authorized employer representative phone number	
(area code and number)	
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Member signature	Date of signature

Authorized employer representative signature and member signature required before employer submits completed form to retirement.



### Salary Verification for Service Credit

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Please print clearly in black ink. Your promptness is appreciated.				
Section 1 – Employer data				
Reporting agency				
Address (street number and name)				
City	State Zip code			
Phone number (area code and number)	Fax number (area co	de ana number)		
Section 2 – Employee data				
First and middle names	Last name			
Address (street number, street name and	apartment number)		1	
City	State		Zip code	
Social Security number (4 last digits only)				
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Salary Verification for Service Credit (04/2016)

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Employer certification of service credit and salary Section 3 - Employer certification of service credit and salary

Employer: Please complete the following in	nformation.			
State and municipal employees report salary on calendar year (Jan. – Dec.) Indicate year below	Contractual salary (not actual salary earned)	Part-time Indicate "PT"	10 month employee	12 month employee
1990	\$20,200			X
1991	1991 \$22,100			X

Contractual Salary (not actual salary earned) + Longevity

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Employer Certification of Service Credit and Salary

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1991	\$22,100			X				



Three types of Part-time service which require you to indicate "PT" in column 2.

- Working Part-Time in a Full-Time position
- Working in a Posted Part-Time position
- Management changed hours to Part-Time



Employer certification of service credit and salary





If working Part-Time in a Full-Time position

- provide contractual salary at the full-time salary rate.



Employer certification of service credit and salary

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1990	\$12,600	PT		X				
1991	\$22,100			X				

- If working in a Posted Part-Time position (minimum 20 hours per week)
  - provide contractual salary at the part time salary rate for the minimum hours per week required to work.
  - provide supporting documentation
    - defined in Regulation 1.20 Membership and Service Credit (excerpt to follow).



Employer certification of service credit and salary

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1990	1990 \$12,600 PT			X				
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### What is a Posted Part-Time position?

A posted part-time position is a position posted with the requirement that the employee work at least 20 hours per week in that position, up to but not including full time or standard hours as defined by the employer.



Employer Certification of Service Credit and Salary

### Regulation 1.20 Membership and Service Credit

Excerpt from Part C.

1. The following documentation must be provided to ERSRI to establish employment in an eligible posted part-time position:

- a. The job posting or the history file; and
- b. The personnel action form signed by the Personnel Administrator, Appointing Authority, Town Manager, or Mayor; or
- c. Any other employer documentation deemed appropriate and approved by the ERSRI.



Employer certification of service credit and salary





What if management changed hours to part-time?

- provide contractual salary at the part time salary rate
- provide documentation of management decision





#### SALARY VERIFICATION FOR SERVICE CREDIT

#### Section 3 - Employer certification of service credit and salary (continued)

State and municipal employees report salary on calendar year (Jan. – Dec.) Indicate year below	Contractual salary (not actual salary earned)	Part-time Indicate "PT"	10 month employee	12 month employee

#### Section 4 - Employer official's statement and signature

I hereby certify the above information to be true and correct based upon our official records.

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Employer official signature		Date	e of si	gnatu	ire				
Employer official name (print)		Title	È						
Employer official phone number (area code and number)									

Please forward this completed form, dated and signed, to the following address:

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Salary Verification for Service Credit (04/2016)

### Salary Verification for Service Credit

### Section 4



### Verification of Retroactive Salary

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Please print clearly in black	k ink.		
Section 1 – Employe	er data		
Reporting agency			
Reporting agency			
Address (street number a	and name)	I	
City	State Zip o	ode	
Phone number (area code	e and number) Fax n	umber (area code and number)	
Section 2 – Employe	ee data		
First and middle names		Last name	
Address (street number, s	street name and apartment number)		
City	State		Zip code
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Employer certification of retroactive salary information

Employer: Please complete the following information. (1) (2)								
Date retro paid	Effective start and end date of retro	Amount of retro per pay period	Total amount of retro pay					
1/26/19 – 2/8/19	7/1/17 – 6/29/18	26 pp at \$30	\$1,350					
	6/30/18 – 1/25/19	15 pp at \$38						

### Total amount of retro pay



Effective start and end date of retro

Section 3 – Employer certification of retroactive salary information

- start and end date of the pay period it was worked and earned.



- Amount of retro per pay period
- include number of pay periods and amount per pay period.



Verification of Retroactive Salary

Section 4

-	Employees' Retirement
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#### VERIFICATION OF RETROACTIVE SALARY

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#### Section 4 - Official's statement and signature

I hereby certify the above information to be true and correct based upon our official records.

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Preparer name (print)	7	Preparer phone number (area code and number)									
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Official's signature	Date of signature										
Official's name (print)				Title							
Official's phone number (area code and number)											

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Verification of Retroactive Salary (04/2016)

### Employer Contacts

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# **Questions?**

