

New Judicial Pension Scheme 2015

Factors for transfers in

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 This note is addressed to the Lord Chancellor in his capacity as the scheme manager of the New Judicial Pension Scheme 2015 (NJPS 2015), which came into force with effect from 1 April 2015 and was established under the Judicial Pension Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations").
- 1.2 The purpose of this note is to provide the Lord Chancellor with specific factors and accompanying guidance to demonstrate how transfers in should be calculated in the NJPS 2015.
- 1.3 A cash equivalent may be received by the NJPS 2015 from another pension scheme and used to provide additional benefits for a member in accordance with Regulations 139 to 143.
- 1.4 Regulation 143 (3) provides for a restriction on the maximum amount of transferred in pension that can be purchased by a transfer. This test must be made before the transfer is accepted.
- 1.5 If the transfer value includes the member's entitlement to a guaranteed minimum pension (GMP), then GAD should be consulted. A separate calculation to test the sufficiency of the transfer value under regulation 141(6) should be conducted before the transfer is accepted.
- 1.6 These tables should not be used to calculate the transferred in pension awarded on an incoming Club transfer. For Club transfers, please refer to the latest version of the Club Memorandum, which is produced by Cabinet Office.
- 1.7 The factors provided in this note have been prepared in light of our advice to the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) dated 30 October 2018 and its instructions following that advice.
- 1.8 This guidance note is intended to supersede any factors or advice previously issued, for the purposes of non-club incoming transfer calculations, which rely on input from the Scheme Actuary. In particular, this guidance supersedes:

"New Judicial Pension Scheme 2015: Factors for transfers in" dated 3 June 2015

and

Addendum to GAD guidance note "New Judicial Pension Scheme 2015: Factors for transfers in" dated 15 April 2016

- 1.9 The tables in Appendix A should be used to calculate the amount of extra pension ('transferred pension') to be awarded when a member transfers into the NJPS 2015 with a transfer payment.
- 1.10 Appendix B sets out the principal assumptions underlying the factors contained in this guidance note. Some important limitations can be found in Appendix C.

Implementation and Review

- 1.11 The factors contained in this guidance will apply from 29 October 2018. This implementation date has been determined by MoJ. This guidance will apply from the date issued on the cover.
- 1.12 This guidance has been written for pension administrators and assumes some knowledge of general pension terminology, and some familiarity with calculations for the NJPS 2015. Any questions concerning the application of the guidance should, in the first instance, be referred to MoJ.
- 1.13 In line with best practice and in order to make sure that factors are being used as intended and the instructions are fit for purpose, we suggest that some example calculations are sent to GAD for review.
- 1.14 The factors contained in this guidance will be subject to review periodically. This will depend on external circumstances, for example whenever there is a change in the SCAPE basis; when changes in the actuarial assumptions adopted for other scheme factors take place; or following each future actuarial valuation where mortality and other relevant experience is reviewed or if other credible and material information comes to light.

Third party reliance

- 1.15 This guidance has been prepared for the use of MoJ and the scheme administrators for the purposes of demonstrating the application of the factors covered by this guidance only. This guidance may be published on MoJ and the scheme administrator's websites but must not otherwise be reproduced, distributed or communicated in whole or in part to any other person without GAD's prior written permission.
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2 Instructions

- 2.1 The formula for calculating the additional benefit (transferred pension) to be awarded in respect of a transfer value received by the scheme from a pension scheme is set out in paragraph 2.5.
- 2.2 Transferred pension awarded in respect of a transfer value is payable on the same terms as pension accrued as a member of the scheme, from the member's normal pension age (NPA) and includes attaching benefits such as 37.5% partner's pension. We have assumed that any transferred in pension is not affected by the purchase of an EPA option and the transferred in pension retains the original NPA.
- 2.3 The factors should be selected according to the member's age last birthday, NPA and for the revaluation factor the number of 1 Aprils falling between the calculation date and NPA. If a member has a non-integer NPA then more than one factor is required and these factors are interpolated to obtain the actual factor to use (see example in section 3).
- 2.4 To calculate the amount of transferred pension, the amount of the transfer payment is required. If the member has GMP to transfer in, please refer the calculation to GAD.
- 2.5 If a member wishes to transfer in, the transferred pension to be awarded to the member in respect of the transfer payment should be calculated as:

transferred pension =
$$\frac{[CETV]}{[F_x^P + spsfrac \times F_x^S] \times F_y^{\text{Reval}}}$$

where

CETV	= the member's incoming transfer value
F_x^P	= relevant member's pension factor for a member aged x, taken from the appropriate table of Tables 1 to 4
spsfrac	= proportion of partner's pension awarded to the dependant on the member's death. For most members this will be 37.5%
F_x^{S}	 relevant partner's pension factor for a member aged x, taken from the appropriate table of Tables 1 to 4
$F_y^{\operatorname{Re} val}$	 relevant revaluation factor for a member with y number of 1 Aprils between the calculation date and NPA, taken from Table 5.

2.6 The 2015 Regulations provide for a pension to be payable without reduction for early payment from the higher of age 65 and the member's State Pension Age



- 2.7 The Lord Chancellor has confirmed that State Pension Age for the purpose of calculating transfer credits should be as set out in HM Treasury Directions made in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 11(2) and 12(3) of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013¹, and not legislation in force at the time of the transfer. Factors are provided to accommodate the range of pension ages members will have in relation to service on and after 1 April 2015 in accordance with the HM Treasury Directions.
- 2.8 After calculating the amount of transferred pension that the transfer payment is sufficient to purchase, the result should be tested as set out in Regulation 143 (3) to ensure that it does not exceed the maximum amount permitted.

¹ A consolidated version of HM Treasury Directions dated 11 March 2014, including amendments made up to and including 3 March 2015, is found in the following link; SPA assumptions are set out at direction 18. <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/411287/HMT_Directions 9 Mar_2015.pdf</u> <u>As at the date of this guidance note, there have been no changes made to Paragraph 18 of the HMT directions which set out the State Pension Age assumptions.</u>



3 Example

Example: Member with a non-integer NPA

•	Normal Pension Age (NPA)		67 yea	ars 1 month
•	Amount of CETV		£50,0	00
•	Calculation date		15/04/	/2020
•	Age last birthday at calculation da	te	43	
•	Number of 1 Aprils between calcu	lation date and NPA	24	
•	Member's pension factor (F_x^P)		6.401	(interpolated)
•	Partner's pension factor (F_x^S)		1.468	(interpolated)
•	Revaluation factor (F_y^{Reval})		1.61	
•	Partner's proportion (spsfrac)		0.375	
•	• Transferred pension $=\frac{\pounds 50,000}{(6.401 + 0.375 \times 1.468) \times 1.61}$			
	= £4,467.51 pa			

The factors used above were interpolated for non-integer NPA as shown below: Factor at NPA 67 years 1 month

$$= \left(\frac{11}{12}\right) \times Factor \text{ at NPA 67} + \left(\frac{1}{12}\right) \times Factor \text{ at NPA 68}$$

e.g. for the Pension factor (F_x^P);

$$= \left(\frac{11}{12}\right) \times 6.439 + \left(\frac{1}{12}\right) \times 5.980 = 6.401$$

Appendix A: Factor tables

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Table 1 (Table 206 in consolidated factors spreadsheet):TVIN65 - transfer in factors for NPA of65

	Unisex factors		
Age	Member's	Partner's	
	pension factor	pension factor	
	0.044		
21	3.011	0.608	
22	3.137	0.635	
23	3.268	0.664	
24	3.404	0.693	
25	3.547	0.724	
26	3.695	0.756	
27	3.849	0.789	
28	4.011	0.824	
29	4.178	0.860	
30	4.353	0.897	
31	4.536	0.936	
32	4.725	0.977	
33	4.924	1.018	
34	5.130	1.062	
35	5.345	1.107	
36	5.570	1.153	
37	5.804	1.201	
38	6.048	1.250	
39	6.302	1.301	
40	6.568	1.353	
41	6.845	1.407	
42	7.134	1.463	
43	7.436	1.521	
44	7.750	1.580	
45	8.078	1.642	
46	8.421	1.705	
47	8.779	1.771	
48	9.152	1.838	
49	9.541	1.908	
50	9.948	1.980	
51	10.373	2.053	
52	10.817	2.129	
53	11.282	2.206	
54	11.768	2.285	
55	12.276	2.366	
56	12.808	2.447	
57	13 367	2.530	
58	13 952	2.612	
59	14 566	2 696	
60	15 211	2 780	
61	15 888	2.865	
62	16.600	2.000	
62	17 3/10	2.300	
<u> </u>	18 128	2 110	
04 65	18 26/	3 177	
66	17 702	3 207	
00	17.702	3.201	

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67	17.134	3.235
68	16.562	3.259
69	15.988	3.279
70	15.411	3.297

Table 2 (Table 207 in consolidated factors spreadsheet):TVIN66 - transfer in factors for NPA of66

	Unisex factors		
Age	Member's	Partner's	
	pension factor	pension factor	
21	2 911	0.507	
21	2.011	0.597	
	2.920	0.652	
23	3.000	0.691	
24	<u> </u>	0.001	
20	2.310	0.711	
20	<u> </u>	0.743	
	0.092	0.770	
20	2 907	0.010	
29	3.097	0.040	
30	4.060	0.002	
31	4.230	0.920	
32	4.406	0.960	
33	4.590	1.001	
34	4.782	1.043	
35	4.982	1.087	
36	5.191	1.133	
37	5.408	1.180	
38	5.635	1.229	
39	5.871	1.279	
40	6.118	1.330	
41	6.375	1.383	
42	6.644	1.438	
43	6.924	1.495	
44	7.216	1.553	
45	7.520	1.614	
46	7.838	1.676	
47	8.170	1.741	
48	8.516	1.807	
49	8.878	1.876	
50	9.255	1.946	
51	9.649	2.019	
52	10.061	2.093	
53	10.492	2.169	
54	10.942	2.247	
55	11.413	2.326	
56	11.906	2.406	
57	12.423	2.488	
58	12.966	2.569	
59	13.535	2.651	
60	14.132	2.734	
61	14.759	2.818	
62	15.418	2.901	
63	16.111	2.985	
64	16.841	3.069	
65	17.611	3.151	
66	17.722	3.207	

Table 3 (Table 208 in consolidated factors spreadsheet):TVIN67 - transfer in factors for NPA of67

	Unisex factors		
Age	Member's	Partner's	
	pension factor	pension factor	
21	2.621	0.587	
22	2.730	0.613	
23	2.844	0.641	
24	2.962	0.669	
25	3.085	0.699	
26	3.213	0.730	
27	3.347	0.762	
28	3.486	0.796	
29	3.631	0.830	
30	3.782	0.867	
31	3.940	0.904	
32	4.104	0.943	
33	4.274	0.984	
34	4.453	1.025	
35	4.638	1.069	
36	4.832	1.114	
37	5.033	1.160	
38	5.244	1.208	
39	5.463	1.257	
40	5.692	1.308	
41	5.931	1.360	
42	6.179	1.414	
43	6.439	1.470	
44	6.710	1.527	
45	6.992	1.587	
46	7.287	1.648	
47	7.594	1.711	
48	7.915	1.777	
49	8.249	1.844	
50	8.599	1.914	
51	8.964	1.985	
52	9.345	2.058	
53	9.744	2.133	
54	10.160	2.210	
55	10.596	2.288	
56	11.053	2.367	
57	11.531	2.447	
58	12.033	2.527	
59	12.559	2.608	
60	13.111	2.690	
61	13.690	2.772	
62	14.299	2.855	
63	14.940	2.937	
64	15.614	3.019	
65	16.326	3.101	
66	17.077	3.182	
67	17.174	3.235	

	Unisex factors		
Age	Member's	Partner's	
	pension factor	pension factor	
21	2 442	0.577	
22	2 543	0.603	
23	2.648	0.629	
20	2 758	0.658	
25	2.872	0.687	
26	2 991	0.717	
27	3 115	0.749	
28	3 244	0.740	
20	3 379	0.816	
30	3 519	0.852	
31	3 665	0.002	
32	3.817	0.003	
32	3.075	0.927	
3/	<u> </u>	1.008	
25	4.140	1.000	
	4.312	1.001	
	4.492	1.095	
37	4.079	1.140	
	4.873	1.187	
39	5.077	1.236	
40	5.288	1.286	
41	5.509	1.337	
42	5.740	1.390	
43	5.980	1.445	
44	6.230	1.502	
45	6.492	1.560	
46	6.764	1.621	
47	7.049	1.683	
48	7.345	1.748	
49	7.655	1.814	
50	7.978	1.882	
51	8.315	1.953	
52	8.667	2.025	
53	9.036	2.099	
54	9.421	2.174	
55	9.823	2.251	
56	10.245	2.329	
57	10.687	2.407	
58	11.150	2.487	
59	11.636	2.566	
60	12.145	2.647	
61	12.680	2.728	
62	13.241	2.809	
63	13.832	2.890	
64	14.455	2.972	
65	15.111	3.052	
66	15.803	3.132	
67	16.536	3.209	
68	16 620	3 259	

Table 4 (Table 209 in consolidated factors spreadsheet): TVIN68 - transfer in factors for NPA of 68

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Table 5 (Table 210 in consolidated factors spreadsheet): Pension revaluation factors

Number of	Factor
1 Aprils	
0	1.00
1	1.02
2	1.04
3	1.06
4	1.08
5	1.10
6	1.13
7	1.15
8	1.17
9	1.20
10	1.22
11	1.24
12	1.27
13	1.29
14	1.32
15	1.35
16	1.37
17	1.40
18	1.43
19	1.46
20	1.49
21	1.52
22	1.55
23	1.58
24	1.61
25	1.64
26	1.67
27	1.71
28	1.74
29	1.78
30	1.81

	Number of	Factor
_	1 Aprils	
	31	1.85
	32	1.88
	33	1.92
	34	1.96
	35	2.00
	36	2.04
	37	2.08
	38	2.12
	39	2.16
	40	2.21

Appendix B: Assumptions underlying factors

Financial assumptions

Nominal discount rate	4.448% pa
CPI	2.00% pa
Real discount rate (in excess of CPI)	2.40% pa

Mortality assumptions for members and dependants

Base mortality tables and adjustments	Males: 92% of S2NMA_L Females: 80% of S2NFA
Future mortality improvements	Based on ONS principal UK population projections 2016
Year of Use	2020
Other assumptions	
Proportion of male members for unisex factors	70%
Proportion married/partnered	90% of men and 80% of women are assumed to be married or have a qualifying partner
Age difference between member and partner	Males assumed 3 years older than

Allowance for commutation

Males assumed 3 years older than their partners and female members assumed 2 years younger than their partners

Nil

Appendix C: Limitations

- C.1 This guidance should not be used for any purpose other than those set out in this guidance.
- C.2 The factors contained in this guidance are subject to regular review. Scheme managers and administrators need to ensure that they are using the latest factors, as relevant, when processing cases.
- C.3 Advice provided by GAD must be taken in context and is intended to be considered in its entirety. Individual sections, if considered in isolation, may be misleading, and conclusions reached by a review of some sections on their own may be incorrect. GAD does not accept responsibility for advice that is altered or used selectively. Clarification should be sought if there is any doubt about the intention or scope of advice provided by GAD.
- C.4 This guidance only covers the actuarial principles around the calculation and application of non-Club transfer in factors. Any legal advice in this area should be sought from an appropriately qualified person or source.
- C.5 Scheme managers and administrators should satisfy themselves that non-Club transfer in and benefit awards comply with all legislative requirements including, but not limited to, tax and contracting-out requirements.
- C.6 This guidance is based on the Regulations in force at the time of writing. It is possible that future changes to the Regulations might create inconsistencies between this guidance and the Regulations. If users of this guidance believe there to be any such inconsistencies, they should bring this to the attention of MoJ and GAD. Under no circumstances should this guidance take precedence over the Regulations. Administrators should ensure that they comply with all relevant Regulations.