

Departing Temporary Resident Claim

Accessing your super when you leave Australia

If you entered Australia on an eligible temporary resident visa you can claim your Australian super benefits (what is known as your departing Australia superannuation payment), once you have permanently left Australia. This payment is for temporary residents only, so if you are an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or a permanent resident, this payment does not apply to you.

How to claim your super

There are two ways to claim your super benefit:

- Through QSuper by completing the attached *Accumulation Account Departing Temporary Resident Claim* form, or
- The quickest way to claim is directly through the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Option 1 – Claim through QSuper

If your super balance is more than \$5,000, you will need to complete the *Accumulation Account Departing Temporary Resident Claim* form and provide us with:

- A written statement from the Department of Home Affairs (DHA) stating you were the holder of an eligible temporary resident visa which has expired or been cancelled, and that you have permanently left Australia
- A copy of your Australian financial institution account statement that shows your full name, address and account details
- Identification requirements that comply with the *Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006* (see section 3 of the attached claim form).

If your account balance is less than \$5,000, you will need to complete the *Accumulation Account Departing Temporary Resident Claim* form and provide us with:

- A copy of the pages of your passport showing your photo and signature
- A copy of your expired or cancelled eligible visa (or evidence of such a visa)
- A copy of your Australian financial institution account statement that shows your full name, address and account details
- Identification requirements that comply with the *Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006* (see section 3 of the attached claim form).

Option 2 – Claiming through the ATO

There are two ways to make a claim through the ATO. You can either submit a claim online through their website at ato.gov.au, or complete their *Departing Australia Superannuation Payment* form.

If you apply online, they will confirm electronically that you are eligible to make a claim through a direct link between the ATO and DHA. There is no further written advice required from DHA. They will forward your application to us with the relevant immigration advice. We will then get in touch with you to ask for your banking account details and identification requirements to do an identity check so we can pay your claim. Please visit the ATO website for more information.

Claim processing times

We will do our best to process your claim within seven business days of receiving your claim form and all the required information.

If you were recently working for the Queensland Government or a default employer, we will process your claim after your pay office confirms your final super contributions and we have received these. Otherwise, you won't need to wait for us to receive any outstanding contribution payments before we process your claim.

Receiving your payment

We will pay your benefit to the financial institution account that you ask us to. This can be an Australian account only.

Tax on your claim

There are special rates of tax that apply to this type of payment. If we pay you a lump sum, you will pay no tax on the tax-free component, 35% on the taxed element and 45% for an untaxed element of the taxable component. We will deduct this amount at the time we pay you and send this money to the ATO.

A tax rate of 65% applies to both the taxed and untaxed element if you were on a 417 (working holiday), 462 (work and holiday), or an associated bridging visa. However, the super lump sum payment isn't included in your assessable income.

Making the choice

Deciding whether to take your benefit as cash or leave it with us depends on what's right for your personal circumstances, so it's a good idea to get personal financial advice to help you decide what's best.

If you have not claimed your super within six months of leaving Australia, we will transfer your super to the ATO. They will hold your unclaimed super until you contact them to claim it.

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Accumulation Account Departing Temporary Resident Claim

When to use this form

Complete this form if you came to Australia on an eligible temporary resident visa and you have now left Australia permanently, and want to claim your Australian super. Before you do this, make sure you read the relevant product disclosure statement (PDS) and these factsheets on our website:

- Leaving Employment: *Your Accumulation Account Options*
- *Tax Explanation*
- *Proving Your Identity.*

Please read the [Additional information about this form](#) (on the back page) before completing this form.

You can easily submit your claim online through the ATO website at ato.gov.au

Please complete in **BLOCK** letters, in blue or black ink.

1 Personal details

Client number

Your client number can be found on your annual statement or by logging in to Member Online.

Title

First names

Last name

Previous name¹ (if we know you by another name)

Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)

Home phone number

Mobile phone number

Work phone number

Email address

Residential address

State

Postcode

Previous Australian residential address (the last address you confirmed with QSuper before leaving Australia)

State

Postcode

2 Payment method

Payment will be in Australian dollars and can be made by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or cheque. If EFT is selected, we can only make payments into an Australian bank, credit union or building society account that's in your name or a joint name. Money cannot be transferred to an overseas account.

Withdraw your money in cash

If you would like to withdraw your super in cash, we need a copy of your Australian financial institution statement showing full name, address and your account details. We can only process your claim once we have received this. If no bank details are provided, we will send an Australian dollar cheque to your current address.

- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payment to an Australian bank account:

Name of bank or credit union

Branch (BSB) number

Account number

Account name (e.g. John and Jane Citizen)

¹ If your name has changed and you work for the Queensland Government or default employer, let your payroll office know and they'll then let us know. Otherwise, please send us a certified copy of either a marriage certificate or other legal change of name document.

Providing your tax file number

Under the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993*, your super fund is authorised to collect your tax file number (TFN), which will only be used for lawful purposes. These purposes may change in the future as a result of legislative change. If you transfer your super to another fund we may disclose your TFN to the other super provider unless you tell us not to in writing. It is not an offence not to quote your TFN. However, providing your TFN to your super fund will have the following advantages (which may not otherwise apply):

- Your super fund will be able to accept all types of contributions to your account(s)
- The tax on employer contributions to your super account(s) will not increase
- Other than the tax that may ordinarily apply, no additional tax will be deducted when you start drawing down your super benefits
- It will make it much easier to trace different super accounts in your name so that you receive all your super benefits when you retire.

Your TFN

If we already have your TFN, you do not need to give it to us again.

3 Visa Type

Please indicate if you held one of the following visas:

- 417 Working Holiday Visa
- 462 Work and Holiday Visa
- An associated bridging visa for the above.

A tax rate of 65% applies to both the taxed and untaxed element if you were on a 417, 462, or an associated bridging visa.

4 Identification requirements

To help us keep your money safe, and to comply with the Government's *Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006*, you need to prove your identity when you make a claim on your super. If you are acting on behalf of a member (such as under a power of attorney), you will both need to provide identification details. Read the *Proving Your Identity* factsheet on our website to check the information you will need to provide.

We need proof of your immigration status.

- Please ensure all written documents are clear and easily understood.
- You need to complete all these steps before we can pay you.
- Please attach additional documentation (if necessary).

If your account balance is more than \$5,000, you need to provide:

- Written advice of your visa eligibility status from the Department of Home Affairs
- A copy of your financial institution account statement
- Identification requirements described in the *Proving Your Identity* factsheet
- The pages of your passport showing your Australian arrival and departure stamps.¹

If your account balance is less than \$5,000, you need to provide:

- The page of your passport showing your photo and signature
- The pages of your passport showing your Australian arrival and departure stamps¹
- Your expired or cancelled visa
- A copy of your financial institution account statement
- Identification requirements described in the *Proving Your Identity* factsheet.

¹ If your passport was not stamped when departing Australia you will need to supply written evidence of your visa eligibility status from the Department of Home Affairs. Make sure your documents are clear and easily understood.

5 Declaration and authorisation

- I am the person named on this form, or have a power of attorney to act on the member's behalf.
- I request payment through the method I advised on this form and accompanying material.
- I understand if I/the member have a surcharge debt, and I make a claim, QSuper deducts this money from my super to pay the debt before they process my claim and I want QSuper to do this.
- I have supplied the necessary documentation to comply with the *Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006*, as outlined in the *Proving Your Identity* factsheet.
- The information I have provided on this form is true and correct.

Signature

(Please sign in blue or black pen – QSuper does not accept electronic signatures on this form)

Date signed (dd/mm/yyyy)

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Additional information about this form

Your payment

We do our best to process claims within seven working days from the date we receive your form (and all the required information).

If you recently worked for the Queensland Government, we will process your claim once your pay office confirms your final super contributions and we have received them. Otherwise, you do not have to wait for any outstanding employer contributions to be received before we can process your claim.

Please make sure you give us the correct details, because if we do not have them there could be a delay in your payment or a loss of interest. We can not accept responsibility if this happens.

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