#### SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Teachers' Pension Scheme (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2014

#### PART 8

### Payment of benefits

#### **CHAPTER 3**

#### Payment of lump sums

#### Member declaration

- **161.**—(1) The scheme manager may not pay a member a lump sum under this Chapter unless the member declares in writing that, on payment of the lump sum, paragraph 3A of Schedule 29 to FA 2004(1) would not apply.
  - (2) The declaration must be—
    - (a) signed by the member;
    - (b) in a form specified by the scheme manager; and
    - (c) provided by a date determined by the scheme manager.

#### Commutation of part of pension

- **162.**—(1) The following members may apply to the scheme manager to receive a lump sum in place of part of a pension—
  - (a) a member who is entitled to payment of a retirement pension;
  - (b) a pension credit member who is entitled to payment of a pension credit retirement pension.
  - (2) Paragraph (1)(b) only applies if—
    - (a) the member's pension credit is derived from rights attributable to the pensionable service of a pension debit member; and
    - (b) a retirement pension does not become payable to the pension debit member before the transfer day in respect of that pensionable service.
  - (3) An application under this regulation must—
    - (a) be in writing;
    - (b) be made when the member applies under regulation 159 for payment of the pension; and
    - (c) specify the amount of the lump sum which the member wishes to receive.

#### Amount of lump sum payable under regulation 162

- 163. The amount of a lump sum payable under regulation 162 must—
  - (a) be a multiple of £12; and
  - (b) not exceed P's permitted maximum.

#### Commutation amount for lump sum payable under regulation 162

- **164.**—(1) For the purpose of calculating the annual rate of pension payable to a member (P) who receives a lump sum under regulation 162, the commutation amount is 1/12th of the amount of the lump sum.
- (2) If a retirement pension commuted under regulation 165 ceases to be payable under regulation 94 or 111, the commutation amount for any retirement pension that subsequently becomes payable to P is an amount determined by the scheme manager after consulting the scheme actuary.

#### Commutation of whole pension (serious ill-health)

- **165.**—(1) This regulation applies to a member (P) who, on the entitlement day for a pension, has a life expectancy of less than a year.
  - (2) P may apply to the scheme manager to receive a lump sum instead of the pension.
  - (3) The application must—
    - (a) be in writing;
    - (b) be made when P applies under regulation 159 for payment of the pension; and
    - (c) be accompanied by all the medical evidence necessary for the scheme manager to determine that P is entitled to payment of the lump sum.
  - (4) If P is eligible to apply under regulation 162 to receive a lump sum under that regulation—
    - (a) the largest permissible lump sum is to be paid under that regulation; and
    - (b) the commutation amount under that regulation is to be deducted when calculating the annual rate under regulation 166.
  - (5) In this regulation, "pension" means—
    - (a) an age retirement pension and any phased retirement pension payable with it;
    - (b) an ill-health pension and a total incapacity pension or phased retirement pension payable with it; or
    - (c) a pension credit retirement pension.

#### Amount of lump sum payable under regulation 165 instead of retirement pension

- **166.**—(1) This regulation applies to a member (P) who applies under regulation 165 to receive a lump sum instead of a retirement pension.
  - (2) The amount of the lump sum payable to P is the total of—
    - (a) for an age retirement pension, ill health pension or total incapacity pension, a sum equal to 5 x the annual rate of the retirement pension; and
    - (b) for a phased retirement pension that is already in payment, a sum equal to—
      - (A-B) x the annual rate of the phased retirement pension

where-

A is 5, and

B is the period (in years and fractions of a year) from the date on which the phased retirement pension was first paid until the date of the application(2).

# Amount of lump sum payable under regulation 165 instead of a pension credit retirement pension

- **167.**—(1) This regulation applies to a member (P) who applies under regulation 165 to receive a lump sum instead of a pension credit retirement pension.
- (2) The amount of the lump sum payable to P is an amount equal to 5 times the annual rate of the pension credit retirement pension.

#### Commutation: small pensions

- **168.**—(1) If paragraph (2) applies, the scheme manager may, on the application of a member (P), commute a retirement pension by paying a lump sum to P.
  - (2) This paragraph applies if—
    - (a) the lump sum is a trivial commutation lump sum as defined in paragraphs 7 and 7A of Schedule 29 to FA 2004 or falls within regulation 11 or 12 of the Registered Pension Schemes (Authorised Payments) Regulations 2009(3);
    - (b) the application under paragraph (1) is made when P applies under regulation 159 for payment of the retirement pension;
    - (c) in the 3 years ending with the date of the application, a transfer value payment has not been made in respect of P;
    - (d) a transfer value payment or cash transfer sum has not been accepted under Part 10 in respect of P's rights accrued under a personal pension scheme; and
    - (e) in the 5 years ending with the date of the application, a transfer value payment or cash transfer sum has not been accepted under Part 10 in respect of rights accrued under another occupational pension scheme.
  - (3) If a lump sum is paid under paragraph (1), benefits are not payable under Part 6 on P's death.
- (4) The scheme manager may, on the application of a pension credit member (P), commute a pension credit retirement pension by paying a lump sum to P if—
  - (a) the lump sum is a trivial commutation lump sum as defined in paragraph 7 of Schedule 29 to FA 2004 or falls within regulation 11 or 12 of the Registered Pension Schemes (Authorised Payments) Regulations 2009;
  - (b) the application is made when P applies under regulation 159 for payment of the pension; and
  - (c) in the 3 years ending with the date of the application, a transfer value payment has not been made in respect of P.
- (5) The scheme manager may, on the application of a beneficiary to whom a pension is payable under Part 6, commute that pension by paying a lump sum to the beneficiary if—
  - (a) the application is made when the beneficiary applies under regulation 159 for payment of the pension; and
  - (b) the lump sum is a trivial commutation lump sum death benefit as defined in paragraph 20 of Schedule 29 to FA 2004.

<sup>(2)</sup> Note: if this period is 5 years or more, no lump sum is payable in respect of the phased retirement pension.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 2009/1171.

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(6) A lump sum payable under this regulation is to be determined by the scheme manager after taking advice from the scheme actuary.