

Notes on eligibility of cohabiting partner for surviving partner's pension

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Please read these notes of guidance carefully before completing the form.

If you are married or in a registered civil partnership, your partner will automatically receive a surviving partner's pension if you die before them.

If you are living with your partner but have never married or entered into a civil partnership with them, they are known as your cohabiting partner. They may qualify for a surviving partner's pension if you die before them, but you must have paid contributions into the LGPS **on or after 1st April 2008**.

To qualify for the surviving partner's pension, all of the conditions listed in the declaration on the form must have applied to you and your partner for a continuous period of at least two years on the date you sign the form.

When you die, a surviving partner's pension would be paid to your cohabiting partner so long as the Clwyd Pension Fund is satisfied that:

- You were both still living together at the date of your death, and
- Neither you nor your partner have been living with someone else as if you were husband, wife or civil partner with that other person
- Your cohabiting partner can prove that the conditions had also been met for a continuous period of at least two years immediately before your death. For example, confirmation that you lived in a shared household with shared household spending, or that you had a bank account or mortgage in joint names.

There would be a right of appeal if a decision is made not to pay a pension and your partner believes that they do qualify.

Once we receive your completed form, the information will be registered on your pension record and a letter of confirmation sent to you.

Don't forget to let us know if your partnership status changes.

Local Government Pension Scheme

Details of cohabiting partner for surviving partner's pension

Member Details:

Full Name:				
NI Number:		Date of Birth:		
Address:				
		Postcode:		
Email Address:		Telephone No:		
Language Preference: I wish to receive ALL future correspondence in (Please <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the box relevant to you to show your choice)				
Welsh		English		Bilingual
Communications Preference: I wish to receive ALL future correspondence in (Please <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the box relevant to you to show your choice) (Please select only ONE option)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electronic *Please make sure you have registered to use Member Self-Service to receive correspondence electronically: https://mss.clwydpensionfund.org.uk			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paper	

Your Partner's Details: (If a surviving partner's pension becomes payable under the Local Government Pension Scheme, my cohabiting partner's contact details are as follows)

Full Name:			
NI Number:		Date of Birth:	
Address:			
	Postcode:		
Email Address:		Telephone No:	

Declaration:

We confirm that for a continuous period of at least two years before the date of this declaration, all of the following statements are true:

- We have been free to marry each other or enter into a civil partnership with each other, and
- We have lived together as if we were husband, wife or registered civil partners, and
- Neither of us have been living with someone else as if we were husband, wife or civil partners, and
- As partners, one of us depends on the other financially, or on our joint income, to support our standard of living

Member's signature:		Date:	
Cohabiting partner's signature:		Date:	

This completed form should be returned to the Clwyd Pension Fund by one of the following methods:

 Upload the forms through MSS 'Document Upload'  pensions@flintshire.gov.uk

 Clwyd Pension Fund, Tŷ Dewi Sant, St. Davids Park, Ewloe, Flintshire, CH5 3FF