

# Firefighters Pension Schemes

2019/05

**Who should read:** All HR and Payroll Managers, Pension administration staff Staff who submit data to SPPA.

**Action:** Read and circulate to all interested parties

**Subject:** Annual Benefit Statements 2019 now issued

**Date:** 23 August 2019

## The purpose of this circular is to:

Inform employers that the vast majority of 2019 Annual Benefit Statements have been issued to active members of Firefighter Pension Scheme (Scotland).

The Scottish Public Pension Agency will issue Firefighter 2019 Annual Benefit Statements to active scheme members' home addresses by 31 August 2019.

For any queries regarding Annual Benefit Statements, please contact the SPPA at [fireabs@gov.scot](mailto:fireabs@gov.scot)

Please share the approved text on **Annex A** which highlights key information regarding Annual Benefit Statement 2019 to your members.

**Penelope Cooper**

**Chief Executive Officer**

23 August 2019

# Annex A

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*This page contains approved Annual Benefit Statement 2019 text for you to use with your own digital distribution channels.*

Dear colleague,

The Scottish Public Pensions Agency (SPPA) have advised that they will issue Annual Benefit Statements for active members of the Firefighter Pension Scheme (Scotland) by 31 August 2019.

To qualify for an Annual Benefit Statement, you must have been an active Scheme member on 31 March 2019.

Your 2019 Annual Benefit Statement includes:

- Current Accrued Pension Benefits
- Current level of death benefits
- Lifetime Allowance information

To find out more, please visit the [Annual Benefit Statement section](#) of the SPPA Website, [www.pensions.gov.scot](http://www.pensions.gov.scot) where you can:

- Use the Firefighter Pension Calculator to project future estimates.
- View detailed guidance on your statement, including case studies.

If you have any queries regarding your statement, you should contact the SPPA at [fireabs@gov.scot](mailto:fireabs@gov.scot)