

# AustralianSuper

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# 1 About AustralianSuper

This Product Disclosure Statement explains the key features and benefits of being with AustralianSuper.

AustralianSuper is Australia's largest industry super fund<sup>1</sup>, trusted by over 3.4 million Australians to look after over \$335 billion in assets<sup>2</sup>. Here's why:

## You come first

As a profit-for-member super fund, we act in your best interests and not the interests of shareholders.

## Helping you invest to build a better future

We're committed to providing strong, long-term returns to help you build a better future.

See how we compare at [australiansuper.com/compare](https://australiansuper.com/compare)

If you don't make an investment choice, we'll invest your super in the AustralianSuper MySuper Balanced investment option.

If you want to take more control over your super, you can choose from a range of other PreMixed (diversified), DIY Mix (specific asset class) or Member Direct (self-directed) investment options.

A copy of the product dashboard for AustralianSuper's MySuper Balanced option is available at [australiansuper.com/MySuperDashboard](https://australiansuper.com/MySuperDashboard)

## Working with employers

We work with around 470,000<sup>2</sup> employers Australia-wide.

## Award-winning products and services

You can be confident knowing your super is being managed by an award-winning fund (see back cover)<sup>3</sup>.

## Other information

You can find important information, including our Trust Deed, Annual Report and remuneration for executive officers, at [australiansuper.com](https://australiansuper.com)

<sup>1</sup> APRA Annual fund-level superannuation statistics June 2023. Released 13 December 2023.

<sup>2</sup> As at 31 March 2024.

<sup>3</sup> Awards and ratings are only one factor to be taken into account when choosing a super fund.

## About this Product Disclosure Statement

This Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) is a summary of significant information and contains a number of references to important information (each of which forms part of the PDS). You should consider this information before making a decision about the product. The information is current as at the date of publication, but may change frequently. Information contained in this PDS that is not materially adverse may change from time to time and will be made available online at [australiansuper.com/pds](https://australiansuper.com/pds). A paper or electronic copy of the updated changes will be made available on request at no extra charge. This PDS provides general information only and doesn't take into account your personal objectives, financial situation or needs. You should obtain financial advice tailored to your personal circumstances.

## 2 How super works

Super is an important way for you to save for retirement.

Super is an investment for your future and the sooner money starts going into your account, the better off you'll be when you retire. That's because, over the long term, your super grows from investment returns and any money that's added to your account.

There are many ways money can be added (contributed) to your account.

### Superannuation Guarantee contributions

Employers pay a compulsory contribution to your super known as the Superannuation Guarantee (SG). Currently, this is an amount equal to 11% of your annual salary (subject to a salary cap of \$62,270 each quarter). From 1 July 2024, this will increase to 11.5% of your annual salary (subject to a salary cap of \$65,070 each quarter).

There are also other types of contributions that could help you grow your super.

### Personal contributions

- **Before-tax**<sup>1</sup> – includes salary sacrifice contributions made by you, any personal contributions for which you claim a tax deduction and voluntary contributions made by your employer for which they claim a tax deduction.
- **After-tax**<sup>1</sup> – includes any additional contributions you make from your take-home pay, for which you don't advise us you wish to claim a tax deduction.

### Government co-contributions

If you're a low to middle income earner, you may be entitled to a government co-contribution if you add to your super from your after-tax pay. For more information see the *Add to your super with government contributions* fact sheet at [australiansuper.com/FactSheets](https://australiansuper.com/FactSheets)

### Useful information to know

Tax benefits are provided by the government to encourage you to save more for retirement and grow your super over time.

You generally can't access your super savings until you reach your preservation age. Your preservation age varies depending on the year you were born. To learn more about accessing your super, rollovers and preservation age, visit [australiansuper.com/AccessYourSuper](https://australiansuper.com/AccessYourSuper)

### AccessYourSuper

### It's your super, it's your choice

Normally you can tell your employer where you want your super to be paid. But in some cases, it depends on your employment contract. If you don't make a choice and do not have an existing super account which is 'stapled' to you, they will pay your contributions to a MySuper compliant super fund.

### Protecting your super

If you have an account balance below \$6,000, legislation requires us to transfer your account to the Australian Tax Office (ATO) after 16 months of inactivity. Where possible, the ATO will transfer your account to your active super fund. To find out how to keep your AustralianSuper account active, visit [australiansuper.com/pys](https://australiansuper.com/pys)

### Combine your super

If you've had more than one job in the past, you may have more than one super account and several insurance policies. If you want to transfer insurance cover you have with another super fund, you'll need to transfer your cover before you combine your super.

Learn more about combining your super and transferring insurance cover at [australiansuper.com/combine](https://australiansuper.com/combine)

<sup>1</sup> Depending on your income and personal circumstances, you may be better off contributing before or after tax, or using a combination of both. The government places limits on the amount that can be contributed to super. To learn more, visit [australiansuper.com/InfoTax](https://australiansuper.com/InfoTax)

# 3 Benefits of investing with AustralianSuper

We're here to help you get the most from your money today and tomorrow. That's why we offer simple and effective solutions to help you manage your account.

## Get more from being a member



A range of PreMixed (diversified), DIY Mix (specific asset class) and Member Direct (self-directed) investment options to choose from, including our Balanced option backed by a history of strong long-term investment performance<sup>1</sup>.



Automatic<sup>2</sup> basic age-based Death, Total & Permanent Disablement (TPD) and Income Protection insurance cover to protect you and those who matter to you.



Education and webinars on growing your super, planning for retirement and already retired at no additional cost.



Tools and calculators to help you understand super.



Financial advice available over-the-phone and face-to-face<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> AustralianSuper Balanced investment option compared to the SuperRatings Fund Crediting Rate Survey - SR50 Balanced (60-76) Index to 31 March 2024. Investment returns aren't guaranteed as all investments carry some risk. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

<sup>2</sup> Eligibility criteria apply - see Section 8 Insurance in your super for details.

<sup>3</sup> Personal financial product advice is provided under the Australian Financial Services Licence held by a third party and not by AustralianSuper Pty Ltd. Some personal advice may attract a fee, which would be outlined before any work is completed and is subject to your agreement. With your approval, the fee for advice relating to your AustralianSuper account may be deducted from your AustralianSuper account subject to eligibility criteria.

Access your account online or download the mobile app to track your super 24/7. To set up your online account, visit [australiansuper.com/register](https://australiansuper.com/register)

Download the app here:



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# 4 Risks of super

All investments, including super, have some risk.

How you invest your super will depend on your age, how long you'll invest your super, other investments you may have, and your tolerance for volatility.

Volatility is when the returns on your investment go up or down over time. The level of volatility your super investment could have will depend on the types of assets that your super is invested in. Examples of assets include investments such as shares, property, fixed interest, or cash.

Different types of assets have different levels of potential return and volatility. Generally, higher long-term returns are accompanied by a greater potential for volatility in the short term.

You can choose from a range of investment options, each with a different mix of assets. So, the likely investment return and the level of potential volatility of returns involved are different for each option.

## What you need to think about

When considering your super, it's important to understand that:

- investment returns may go up and down over time and the value of investments will vary, so the value of your super may also go up and down
- investing too conservatively can be risky because over the long term your investment may not earn a return above the inflation rate
- returns aren't guaranteed, and you may lose some of your money
- past returns aren't a reliable indicator of future returns
- the laws affecting your super may change
- the amount of your future super savings (including contributions and returns) may not be enough for your retirement.

### More information

You should read the important information about the risks of investing in super before making a decision. Download the *Investment guide*, from [australiansuper.com/InvestmentGuide](https://australiansuper.com/InvestmentGuide)

The material relating to the risks of investing in super may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.



# 5 How we invest your money

How we invest your money when you join:

If you complete the *Join AustralianSuper* form you'll be invested in the Balanced option (MySuper) until you make an investment choice.

OR

If you join online at [australiansuper.com/join](https://australiansuper.com/join) you can choose your own investment option/s through the join process.

## Investment details for the Balanced option

Invests in a wide range of assets, including shares, private equity, infrastructure, property, fixed interest, credit and cash. Designed to have medium to long-term growth with possible short-term fluctuations.

### Investment objective

- To beat CPI<sup>2</sup> by more than 4% p.a. over the medium to longer term.
- To beat the median balanced fund over the medium to longer term.

### Minimum investment timeframe

Be prepared to stay invested in this option for at least 10 years due to the potential for short-term volatility.

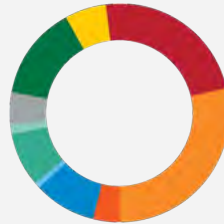
### Risk levels

- Short-term risk classifies investment options according to their likelihood of negative returns in a given year. This is also known as the Standard Risk Measure.
- Medium-term risk balances two risks. The first is that your super savings will be reduced by volatility and the second is that your super savings won't keep up with wage inflation.
- Long-term risk is the risk that your super savings won't keep up with wage inflation.

### Estimated number of negative annual returns over any 20-year period

Approximately 5 out of every 20 years.

## Balanced option investment mix – strategic asset allocation and ranges<sup>1</sup>



- Australian shares **23.5%** (10-45%)
- International shares **28.5%** (10-45%)
- Private equity **4%** (0-15%)
- Unlisted infrastructure **9%** (0-30%)
- Listed infrastructure **1%** (0-10%)
- Unlisted property **8%** (0-30%)
- Listed property **1.5%** (0-10%)
- Credit **4.5%** (0-20%)
- Fixed interest **14%** (0-25%)
- Cash **6%** (0-20%)
- Other assets<sup>3</sup> **0%** (0-5%)

### Risk level for the time invested

Short term	(if savings are required in 5 years or less)	High
Medium term	(if savings are required after 5 to 20 years)	Medium
Long term	(if savings are required after 20 years or more)	Low

<sup>1</sup> Investment information is current at the date of publication and may change from time to time. See [australiansuper.com/AssetAllocation](https://australiansuper.com/AssetAllocation) for updated information. Investment returns aren't guaranteed.

<sup>2</sup> CPI stands for Consumer Price Index – which is used as a measure of inflation.

<sup>3</sup> Investments that represent unique opportunities or strategies. Examples may include strategic equity holdings, commodities, royalties, leases, hedge funds and other alternative investment approaches.

AustralianSuper has a range of investment options to suit a wide range of investors.

### PreMixed options

Combines a mix of asset classes to provide different types and levels of risk and potential return.

- High Growth
- Balanced
- Socially Aware
- Indexed Diversified
- Conservative Balanced
- Stable

### DIY Mix options

Provides investment exposure to specific asset classes. With DIY Mix options you can select a combination of asset classes to suit you.

- Australian Shares
- International Shares
- Diversified Fixed Interest
- Cash

### Member Direct investment options

Member Direct investment option enables you to invest in your choice of stocks in the S&P/ASX 300 Index, selected Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs), selected Listed Investment Companies (LICs), term deposits and cash.

### Changing your investment option

You can choose your preferred investment option in the mobile app or by logging into your account. It won't cost you anything to switch. Find out more about choosing or changing your investment options at [australiansuper.com/switching](https://australiansuper.com/switching)

You should read the important information about our investment options before making a decision. The *Investment guide* contains information about our other investment options including the risk and expected returns over different periods of time. Download the *Investment guide* from [australiansuper.com/InvestmentGuide](https://australiansuper.com/InvestmentGuide)

You should consider the likely investment return, risk, and your investment timeframe when choosing an investment option.

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## 6 Fees and costs

### Did you know?

Small differences in both investment performance and fees and costs can have a substantial impact on your long-term returns.

For example, total annual fees and costs of 2% of your account balance rather than 1% could reduce your final return by up to 20% over a 30-year period (for example, reduce it from \$100,000 to \$80,000).

You should consider whether features such as superior investment performance or the provision of better member services justify higher fees and costs.

You or your employer, as applicable, may be able to negotiate to pay lower fees. Ask the Fund or your financial adviser.

### To find out more

If you would like to find out more, or see the impact of the fees based on your own circumstances, the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) Moneysmart website ([moneysmart.gov.au](https://moneysmart.gov.au)) has a superannuation calculator to help you check out different fee options.

This section shows the fees and other costs you may be charged for the AustralianSuper MySuper Balanced investment option. These fees and other costs may be deducted from your account, from the returns on your investment or from the assets of the superannuation entity as a whole. You can use this information to compare fees and costs between different superannuation products. See [australiansuper.com/FeesandCostsGuide](http://australiansuper.com/FeesandCostsGuide) for the fees and costs for our other investment options.

## Fees and costs summary

### AustralianSuper MySuper Balanced investment option

Type of fee or cost	Amount	How and when paid
<b>Ongoing annual fees and costs<sup>1</sup></b>		
Administration fees and costs	\$1 per week	The Flat administration fee is deducted directly from your account on the last Friday of each month based on the number of Fridays in the month.
	Plus 0.10% p.a. of your account balance capped at \$350 p.a.	The Asset-based administration fee is deducted directly from your account on the last Friday of each month based on your closing account balance on this date and is pro-rated based on the number of Fridays in the month.
	0.00% p.a. <sup>2</sup>	Administration costs paid from reserves that are not otherwise charged as administration fees. These costs are not directly charged to your account but have reduced the reserve balance held by the Fund to cover future administration costs.
Investment fees and costs <sup>2,3</sup>	0.50% p.a.	Deducted from pre-tax investment returns and reflected in the daily crediting rate.
Transaction costs <sup>2</sup>	0.06% p.a.	Deducted from pre-tax investment returns and reflected in the daily crediting rate.
<b>Member activity related fees and costs</b>		
Buy-sell spread	Nil	Not applicable.
Switching fee	Nil	Not applicable.
Other fees and costs	See section 8 of this PDS for details of insurance fees and the <i>Additional explanation of fees and costs</i> at <a href="http://australiansuper.com/FeesandCostsGuide">australiansuper.com/FeesandCostsGuide</a> for details of other activity related fees and costs.	

<sup>1</sup> If your account balance is less than \$6,000 at the end of the financial year, certain fees and costs charged to you in relation to administration and investment are capped at 3% of your account balance. Any amount charged in excess of that cap will be refunded directly to your account.

<sup>2</sup> These percentages are calculated based on previous financial year(s) and are rounded to the nearest two decimal places. For details of how they are calculated see [australiansuper.com/FeesandCostsGuide](http://australiansuper.com/FeesandCostsGuide). The actual amount you'll be charged for this financial year will depend on the actual fees and costs incurred.

<sup>3</sup> Investment fees and costs include an amount of 0.10% p.a. for Performance fees.

You will receive a tax benefit of 15% on any administration fees and any insurance fees deducted directly from your account. The tax benefit will be paid directly into your account each month. See section 7 of this PDS for further information on how super is taxed.



### Example of annual fees and costs

This table gives an example of how the ongoing annual fees and costs for the AustralianSuper MySuper Balanced investment option for this superannuation product can affect your superannuation investment over a one-year period. You should use this table to compare this superannuation product with other superannuation products.

Example – AustralianSuper MySuper Balanced investment option		Balance of \$50,000
Administration fees and costs	0.10% plus \$52 (\$1 per week)	For every \$50,000 you have in the superannuation product, you will be charged \$50 in administration fees and costs up to a maximum of \$350 plus you will be charged \$52 regardless of your account balance.
<b>PLUS</b> Investment fees and costs	0.50%	<b>AND</b> , you will have deducted from your investment \$250 in investment fees and costs.
<b>PLUS</b> Transaction costs	0.06%	<b>AND</b> , you will have deducted from your investment \$30 in transaction costs.
<b>EQUALS</b> Cost of product <sup>1</sup>		If your balance was \$50,000 at the beginning of the year, then for that year you will be charged fees and costs of <b>\$382</b> for the superannuation product.

<sup>1</sup> Additional fees may apply. Assumes your balance of \$50,000 is maintained throughout the year. You will receive a tax benefit of \$15.30 on the administration fees shown above which will reduce the cost of product for the year after tax benefits to \$366.70.

### Changing your fees

We can change the fees we charge at any time without your consent. You'll be given at least 30 days' notice before any increase in fees deducted directly from your account takes effect.

### Advice fees for personal advice

If you receive personal financial advice you may be charged a fee which would be outlined before any work is completed and is subject to your agreement.

The *Statement of Advice* provided by your Financial Adviser will set out the fees you'll pay. Personal financial product advice is provided under the Australian Financial Services Licence held by a third party and not by AustralianSuper Pty Ltd.

### See how fees affect your super

Use the Superannuation calculator at [moneysmart.gov.au](https://moneysmart.gov.au) to see how fees and costs affect your final super balance.

You should read all the important information about fees and other costs before making a decision because it is important to understand their impact on your investment – go to [australiansuper.com/FeesandCostsGuide](https://australiansuper.com/FeesandCostsGuide) The material relating to our fees and costs may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.

# 7 How super is taxed

## Tax on contributions

The tax paid on super contributions depends on the amount and type of contribution. Tax is deducted after the contribution is received. **There are limits on how much you can contribute, and if you exceed these limits you may pay extra tax.**

Type	Tax on contributions in 2023/2024
<b>Before-tax contribution</b>	<p>If the total of your taxable income and your before-tax contributions is \$250,000 or less, 15% will be applied to contributions up to the before-tax contributions cap of \$27,500 (or up to your unused before-tax contributions cap for the previous 5 years).</p> <p>If the total of your taxable income and your before-tax contributions is more than \$250,000 per year, your before-tax contributions will be taxed at 30%, to that extent. Contributions that exceed the cap will be taxed at your personal rate (less a 15% tax offset), plus an interest charge.</p> <p>You can choose to withdraw up to 85% of excess contributions, which won't then count towards your after-tax limit.</p>
<b>After-tax contribution</b>	<p>No tax on amounts up to the after-tax contributions cap of \$110,000 a year (or up to \$330,000 over 3 years if certain conditions are met).</p> <p>You can choose to withdraw any excess contributions plus 85% of its earnings. These earnings will be taxed at your personal rate (less a 15% tax offset). If you don't withdraw the excess contributions, they will be taxed at 47%<sup>1</sup> in the Fund.</p> <p>There may be restrictions on the after-tax contributions you can make if you already have a very large balance in your super account/s.</p>

**Tax on investment earnings:** Investment earnings are taxed at up to 15%. This tax is deducted from the crediting rate that applies to your super, before the earnings are credited to your account.

**Tax on withdrawals:** Your super is made up of two components: taxable and tax-free. There's no tax payable on the tax-free component. Lump sum withdrawals are generally tax-free if you're aged 60 or over. Tax on withdrawals is deducted before you receive your payment (if applicable).

## Tax on taxable component<sup>2</sup> if you're under 60

2023/2024 – If you're between your preservation age and 60, the first \$235,000 is tax-free and the balance is taxed at 17%<sup>1</sup>.

If you're younger than your preservation age, your lump sum withdrawal will be taxed at 22%<sup>1</sup>.

You should read the important information about how super is taxed before making a decision. Go to *Tax and super* at [australiansuper.com/TaxGuide](https://australiansuper.com/TaxGuide)

You should provide your Tax File Number (TFN). If we don't have your TFN, your before-tax contributions and withdrawals are taxed at a higher rate and we can't accept after-tax contributions from you. You should read the important information about providing your TFN before making a decision. Go to [australiansuper.com/TFNGuide](https://australiansuper.com/TFNGuide)

The material relating to how super is taxed and providing your TFN may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.

<sup>1</sup> Includes the Medicare levy.

<sup>2</sup> If your taxable component includes an untaxed element, additional tax may be applied to that element.

# 8 Insurance in your super

Most members receive basic age-based cover (also referred to as default cover) when they join (age limits and conditions apply). This cover provides a basic level of protection if you die, or become ill or injured.

- **Death cover** – can provide a lump sum to your beneficiaries if you die.
- **Total & Permanent Disablement (TPD) cover** – can provide a lump sum payment if you become totally and permanently disabled and can no longer work.
- **Income Protection** – can provide monthly payments to help you get by if you become ill or injured (at work or outside of work) and can't work.

If you have Death or TPD cover you're also covered for terminal illness. A terminal illness payment can help ease some of the financial stress if you're suffering from a terminal medical condition.

AustralianSuper insurance is provided by TAL Life Limited (the Insurer)  
ABN 70 050 109 450 AFSL 237848.

## Basic Death, TPD and Income Protection cover

Basic cover is age-based. Your cover amount and cost change as you get older. Once you're eligible for cover to start, you'll pay for the cost of your cover. See page 14 for basic cover amounts and costs.

## When your basic cover starts

You automatically receive basic cover if you're eligible. You're eligible if you're 25 or older; and your super balance reaches \$6,000; and you've received an employer super contribution after your super balance first reaches \$6,000 (age limits and other conditions apply).

Once you're eligible, your basic cover will start on the latest of these dates:

- the date you turn 25 (as long as you're receiving employer super contributions), or
- the date your balance first reaches \$6,000, or
- the date you started working for your employer, or
- the start date of the payment period that applies to your first employer super contribution (after your balance first reaches \$6,000).

Basic cover can't start any earlier than 120 days before we receive your first employer super contribution (after your super balance first reaches \$6,000).

Your first payment may be higher than your ongoing monthly payments. That's because it includes insurance costs from the date your cover started to the date of your first payment deduction from your super account (which may be for a period that's longer than a month).

There are circumstances when your basic cover may start for a short period even though you've cancelled it. The cost for this cover will be deducted from your super account after your cover has been cancelled because costs are deducted one month in arrears.

Insurance costs are deducted monthly from your super account and they reduce your retirement savings. If you don't want your basic cover to start automatically when you become eligible, you can opt out by cancelling it – even if it hasn't started yet.

Consider the impact of insurance costs on your retirement savings when you review your insurance needs. See the Change or cancel your cover anytime section on page 13 for more information.



**Basic Income Protection may be unsuitable if you have a low income and the age-based cover amount is more than 85% of your salary. This is because you won't be able to claim for the full amount of cover you're paying for.**

If you have Income Protection and you're eligible, your benefit payments will be based on your pre-disability income and other factors. Benefit payments can't be greater than 85% of your pre-disability income (up to 75% is paid to you and up to 10% to your super) and they may be reduced by income you receive from other sources.

For more information about Income Protection including salary definitions, benefit payment periods and waiting periods, see the *Insurance in your super* guide at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide)

### **Start your basic cover earlier**

You can apply to start your basic cover earlier without providing detailed health information for the Insurer to consider.

You'll be eligible to start your basic cover earlier without providing detailed health information, as long as you apply before your insurance cover starts, and you've never opted out of cover, reduced or cancelled cover, applied to increase cover, applied to transfer cover from another super fund or insurer, applied to change your Income Protection waiting period and/or benefit payment period or made a Life Events application.

If you've already applied to make any of these changes, you won't be eligible (this includes declined or withdrawn applications).



### **How to apply to start your basic cover earlier**

You can apply when you join online at [australiansuper.com/join](http://australiansuper.com/join) or by using the *Join AustralianSuper* form in this PDS.

Or you can apply when you become a member by completing the *Start your basic cover* form you receive with your welcome letter.

**You'll need to apply within 120 days of the date of your welcome letter.**

### **Limited cover and standard exclusions**

There are circumstances when your cover (including basic cover) may be limited cover. Limited cover means you don't have full cover yet and you won't be covered for any pre-existing illness or injuries you had before you got your insurance and it may last for different lengths of time. You'll be covered for an illness that becomes apparent, or an injury that occurs on or after the date that your insurance starts or increases.

Full cover means your cover is not limited cover.

Standard exclusions apply to your cover which mean you will not be covered for death, illness or injury as a result of certain events.

You should read the important information about limited cover and standard exclusions before making a decision. Go to the *Limited cover and standard exclusions* section in the *Insurance in your super* guide at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide). The material relating to limited cover and standard exclusions may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.

## Change or cancel your cover anytime

You can apply for, change or cancel insurance cover anytime by logging into your account or completing the relevant form at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceForms](https://australiansuper.com/InsuranceForms)

You may need to provide detailed health information for the Insurer to consider. Some changes you can make include:

- applying for new cover (if you don't have it)
- fixing, reducing or applying to increase the amount of cover you have
- applying to change your individual work rating
- applying to transfer cover from another super fund or insurer
- applying to change your Income Protection benefit payment period or waiting period.

Check how much cover you might need (if any) and what it might cost by using our calculator at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceCalculator](https://australiansuper.com/InsuranceCalculator)

If your application is accepted by the Insurer, your cover will start as long as you're receiving employer super contributions.

**If you cancel your cover now you might not be able to get cover later. That's because you'll need to reapply and provide detailed health information for the Insurer to consider.**

## About individual work ratings

A work rating classifies the usual activities of your job into one of three ratings: Blue Collar, White Collar or Professional. Your individual work rating is one of the factors that determines how much you pay for your insurance cover.

When you join AustralianSuper and have insurance cover, you pay what it costs to provide you with cover based on our default individual work rating Blue Collar<sup>1</sup>.

**Insurance cover with a Blue Collar work rating is the most expensive.**

However you may be eligible for a White Collar or Professional work rating and to pay less for your cover if you apply, and are accepted, for one of these work ratings.

Check by answering a few questions at [australiansuper.com/WorkRatingTool](https://australiansuper.com/WorkRatingTool)

To apply to change your individual work rating, complete the work rating questions when you join online at [australiansuper.com/join](https://australiansuper.com/join) or in the *Join AustralianSuper* form in this PDS. Once you're a member log into your account and go to *Insurance*, then *Manage insurance*, *Change cover* and select *Change your individual work rating* to apply. Or complete the *Change your individual work rating* form at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceForms](https://australiansuper.com/InsuranceForms)

<sup>1</sup> Due to past employer arrangements, some members may have a work rating of White Collar or Professional.

## Age-based cover amounts and costs

The age-based cover amounts available to you depends on your age. The cost of cover is based on your age and individual work rating. This table shows the Death, TPD and Income Protection age-based cover amounts and the weekly costs of that cover with a Blue Collar individual work rating at various ages.

See the full cover amounts and costs in the *Insurance in your super* guide at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide)

Age	Death cover amount (\$)	Death cover weekly cost (\$)	TPD cover amount (\$)	TPD cover weekly cost (\$)	Income Protection amount a month (\$)	Income Protection weekly cost (\$)
15	20,000	0.15	10,000	0.07	1,000	0.14
20	50,000	0.38	20,000	0.15	1,500	0.21
25	116,000	0.94	48,000	0.33	1,900	0.48
30	178,000	1.67	61,000	0.59	2,500	1.05
35	180,000	2.14	53,000	0.87	3,000	1.98
40	160,000	2.56	43,000	1.20	3,100	2.91
45	124,000	2.84	29,000	1.37	3,100	4.12
50	80,000	2.82	17,000	1.37	3,000	5.61
55	37,000	2.13	9,000	1.28	2,800	7.31
60	9,000	0.91	5,000	1.30	2,700	9.69
65	9,000	1.36	n/a	n/a	2,400	11.86
69	9,000	1.57	n/a	n/a	2,200	8.05

Total weekly costs are quoted gross of tax. Costs are rounded for disclosure purposes.

## What's included in the cost of cover?

Insurance costs include costs paid to the Insurer (inclusive of stamp duty). They also include a cost incurred by the Trustee for administering insurance arrangements, which amounts to 4.9% of the total weekly insurance cost. This applies to basic cover and any additional cover you apply for. For more information on the weekly cost of cover, see the *Insurance in your super* guide at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide)

You should read the important information about insurance before making a decision. Go to the *Insurance in your super* guide at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide)

It details terms and conditions about insurance, including costs, your eligibility for cover, how much you can apply for, what you're covered for, when it starts and stops, active employment, limited cover and exclusions, and your insurance options.

Your eligibility to claim for benefits will be determined in line with the insurance policy terms and conditions.

The material relating to insurance may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.

# 9 How to open an account

There are two ways you can join us.

## Join online

Set up your account the way you want – straight away!

Go to [australiansuper.com/join](https://australiansuper.com/join)

OR

## Send us an application form

Complete the *Join AustralianSuper* form provided with this PDS.

## You can change your mind about us

If you've chosen AustralianSuper (instead of your employer signing you up) and you change your mind, a 14 day 'cooling off' period applies. This period starts from the earlier of:

- the date we confirm your AustralianSuper account has been established; or
- five business days after the date your account with AustralianSuper was established.

If you'd like to cancel your membership during this period, please write to us at GPO Box 1901, Melbourne VIC 3001 or [australiansuper.com/email](mailto:australiansuper.com/email)

If you cancel your membership during this period, we'll transfer your account to an approved fund of your choice. Any contributions tax we've paid on your behalf will be deducted beforehand. We'll also deduct any fees due.

Your account will attract investment returns (positive or negative), in line with how we apply crediting rates. See [australiansuper.com/InvestmentGuide](https://australiansuper.com/InvestmentGuide) for more details.

Cancelling your membership during this period means you won't be entitled to any insurance benefits.

## How to make a complaint

We work hard to ensure you won't have cause to make a complaint, but if you do, you can discuss it with us by calling **1300 300 273** (8am to 8pm AEST/AEDT weekdays) or by emailing your complaint to us at [complaints@australiansuper.com](mailto:complaints@australiansuper.com) or via our website at [australiansuper.com/email](https://australiansuper.com/email)

We aim to have all complaints resolved within 45 days. If your complaint isn't resolved by our internal complaints procedure within these timeframes you can refer it to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA).

Visit [australiansuper.com/contact-us](https://australiansuper.com/contact-us) for full details of our complaints process, other ways you can send through your complaint and AFCA's contact details.

## We respect your privacy

Protecting your personal information is important to us. Our Privacy Policy outlines the type of information we keep about you. It also explains how we – and any organisations we appoint to provide services on our behalf – will use this information.

For more information on privacy, go to [australiansuper.com/privacy](https://australiansuper.com/privacy)

## Temporary residents permanently leaving

If you're a temporary resident permanently leaving Australia, you have six months to claim your super from us before we have to transfer it to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Once we've transferred your super, you'll need to contact the ATO directly to claim it. Go to [ato.gov.au](https://ato.gov.au)

Under Australian Securities and Investments Commission relief, we don't have to give you an exit statement if we transfer your super to the ATO in these circumstances.

# We're here to help

(8am to 8pm AEST/AEDT weekdays)

Email or message us  
[australiansuper.com/contact-us](mailto:australiansuper.com/contact-us)



Reader's Digest Most Trusted Brands - Superannuation category winner for 12 years running 2013-2024, according to research conducted by independent research agency Catalyst Research. Read the full methodology - [trustedbrands.com.au/#methodology](https://trustedbrands.com.au/#methodology)  
AustralianSuper received the Canstar Outstanding Value Award for Superannuation in 2024 - [canstar.com.au/star-rating-reports/superannuation](https://canstar.com.au/star-rating-reports/superannuation) Awards and ratings are only one factor to be taken into account when choosing a super fund.



## Forms to open and set up your account

Many people find it quicker and easier to open their account online at [australiansuper.com/join](https://australiansuper.com/join) or you can use these forms to open and get the most out of your account.

### I want to...

<b>Join AustralianSuper</b>	Complete this form in full to join AustralianSuper and to start or make changes to your basic insurance cover <sup>1</sup> .
<b>Pay my super into AustralianSuper</b>	If you have an employer who makes super contributions for you, complete the <i>Pay my super into AustralianSuper</i> form included in this booklet and give it to them.
<b>Combine my super into AustralianSuper</b>	Complete the <i>Combine your super</i> form to transfer your other super account to AustralianSuper. If you want to combine from more than one super account into your AustralianSuper account, you can make photocopies of the form or combine online at <a href="https://australiansuper.com/combine">australiansuper.com/combine</a>
<b>Make a binding nomination for my super account</b>	Complete this form to instruct AustralianSuper how to pay your death benefit if you die. For more information on binding nominations please visit <a href="https://australiansuper.com/beneficiary">australiansuper.com/beneficiary</a>

If you need any help to fill out any of these forms, please call us on **1300 300 273** between 8am and 8pm AEST/AEDT weekdays.

Don't like forms? Join online at [australiansuper.com/join](https://australiansuper.com/join)



### Privacy Collection Statement

Please read this Privacy Collection Statement to see how AustralianSuper uses your personal information.

AustralianSuper Pty Ltd (ABN 94 006 457 987) of GPO Box 1901, Melbourne, Victoria, 3001, collects your personal information (PI) to operate, and administer your super account (including insurance) or retirement income account, improve our products and services and keep you informed. If we can't collect your PI we may not be able to perform these services. PI is collected from you but sometimes from third parties like your employer and your financial adviser (if applicable). We will only share your PI where necessary to perform our activities with our administrator (Australian Administration Services Pty Ltd, Link Group), service providers, as required by law or court/tribunal order, or with your permission. Your PI may be accessed overseas by some of our service providers and, where applicable to your circumstances, by third-party service providers of your financial adviser. Our Privacy Policy details how to access and change your PI, as well as our privacy complaints process. For complete details go to [australiansuper.com/privacy](https://australiansuper.com/privacy) or call us on **1300 300 273**.

<sup>1</sup> AustralianSuper insurance is provided by TAL Life Limited (the Insurer), ABN 70 050 109 450, AFSL 237848.

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### 3 Nominate your beneficiaries

Provide details of your legal personal representative or any dependants<sup>1</sup> who may be entitled to your super (including any insurance benefit) if you die. To make your nomination binding, complete the *Making a binding death nomination* form at the back of this booklet.

Full name	Address	Relationship to you	Benefit proportion %
Total must add up to			100.00%

<sup>1</sup> As defined by Superannuation law.

When you use this form to nominate beneficiaries, you're telling us which of your dependants you'd like us to pay your super (and any insurance benefit) to if you die. We're not bound by your nomination, but we use this information as a guide to work out who to pay your benefit to.



### 4 Change your insurance (optional)

You automatically receive basic (age-based) Death, Total & Permanent Disablement (TPD) and Income Protection cover with your super account. This cover will start if you're 25 or older; and your super balance reaches \$6,000; and you've received an employer super contribution after your super balance first reaches \$6,000 (age limits and other conditions apply). This is detailed in section 8 of the Product Disclosure Statement.

Complete this section to make changes to your cover. You can cancel some or all of your cover, apply to start your basic cover earlier, and apply to change your individual work rating.

If you apply to start your basic cover earlier and your application is accepted, your cover will start automatically (if you're receiving employer super contributions), even if your super balance hasn't reached \$6,000. This means that the cost of your cover will be deducted monthly from your super account from the date your cover starts.

If you don't want cover to start automatically when you turn 25 or when your super balance reaches \$6,000, you can opt out by cancelling it (go to section 4.2).

#### Start your basic cover earlier

Apply to start your basic age-based cover before your super balance reaches \$6,000 without providing detailed health information for the Insurer to consider (section 4.3). **To take up this offer you must apply within 120 days of the date of your welcome letter.**



To be eligible to start your basic cover earlier, you must have never opted out of, reduced or cancelled cover, applied to increase cover, applied to transfer cover from another super fund or insurer, applied to change your Income Protection waiting period and/or benefit payment period or made a Life Events application. If you've already applied to make any of these changes (this includes declined or withdrawn applications) or if your cover has already started, you won't be eligible.

If you don't want all cover types, you can cancel the cover type(s) you don't want (go to section 4.2).

#### Want more cover?

You can apply for more cover anytime. You'll need to provide detailed health information for the Insurer to consider. To apply, log into your account and go to *Insurance* or download and complete the *Change your insurance* form at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceForms](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceForms)

#### Need more time to think about insurance?

If you don't want to change your basic insurance now, skip to section 5. You'll still be able to apply to start your basic cover earlier at a later date. We'll write to you with details.

#### Before you change your cover

You should read the *Insurance in your super* guide. It contains important information about insurance, including costs, your eligibility for cover, how much you can apply for, when cover starts and stops, active employment, limited cover and exclusions. Download a copy at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide)

Your eligibility to claim for benefits will be determined in line with the insurance policy terms and conditions.

## 4.1 Duty to take reasonable care

### The duty to take reasonable care

When you apply for insurance, you are treated as if you are applying for cover under an individual consumer insurance contract. A person who applies for cover under a consumer insurance contract has a legal duty to take reasonable care not to make a misrepresentation to the Insurer before the contract of insurance is entered into.

A misrepresentation is a false answer, an answer that is only partially true, or an answer which does not fairly reflect the truth. This duty also applies when extending or making changes to existing insurance, and reinstating insurance.

### If you do not meet your duty

If you do not meet your legal duty, this can have serious impacts on your insurance. Under the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth) there are a number of different remedies that may be available to the Insurer. They are intended to put the Insurer in the position it would have been in if the duty had been met. For example, the Insurer may:

- avoid the cover (treat it as if it never existed);
- vary the amount of the cover; or
- vary the terms of the cover.

Whether the Insurer can exercise one of these remedies depends on a number of factors, including:

- whether reasonable care was taken not to make a misrepresentation. This depends on all of the relevant circumstances;
- what the Insurer would have done if the duty had been met – for example, whether it would have offered cover, and if so, on what terms;
- whether the misrepresentation was fraudulent; and
- in some cases, how long it has been since the cover started.

Before any of these remedies are exercised, the Insurer will explain the reasons for its decision, how to respond and provide further information, and what you can do if you disagree.

### Guidance for answering the questions in this form

You are responsible for the information provided to the Insurer. When answering questions, please:

- Think carefully about each question before you answer. If you are unsure of the meaning of any question, please ask us before you respond.
- Answer every question.
- Answer truthfully, accurately and completely. If you are unsure about whether you should include information, please include it.
- Review your application carefully before it is submitted. If someone else helped prepare your application (for example, your adviser), please check every answer (and if necessary, make any corrections) before the application is submitted.

Please note that there may be circumstances where the Insurer later investigates whether the information given to it was true. For example, it may do this when a claim is made.

### Changes before your cover starts

Before your cover starts, the Insurer may ask you whether the information that has been given as part of your application for insurance remains accurate or whether there has been a change to any of your circumstances. As any changes might require further assessment or investigation, it could save time if you let us or the Insurer know about any changes when they happen.

### If you need help

It's important that you understand your obligations and the questions that are being asked. Please contact us for help if you have difficulty understanding the process of obtaining insurance or answering any questions.

Please also let us know if you're having difficulty due to a disability, understanding English or for any other reason – we're here to help and can provide additional support.

## 4.2 Cancel your cover

**Complete this section to cancel one or more cover types.** You won't be insured for any cover you cancel from the date your cancellation is received by AustralianSuper or the Insurer (as applicable). This means for the type of cover you cancel:

- Your basic cover won't start when you become eligible.
- You (or your beneficiaries) won't be able to make an insurance claim if you suffer an illness or injury or you die after the cancellation.
- The cost of cover won't be or will stop being deducted from your super account (costs are deducted one month in arrears).
- You might not be able to get cover later. That's because you'll need to apply for that cover in the future and provide detailed health information for the Insurer to consider.

If you're replacing this cover with another insurance policy, you should wait until the other super fund or insurer confirms your cover has started before you cancel. You should consider getting financial advice to help work out if cancellation is right for you.

As an AustralianSuper member, you also have access to a choice of help and advice options from simple, personal advice over the phone, to more comprehensive, broader advice with a financial adviser<sup>1</sup>. Go to [australiansuper.com/advice](https://australiansuper.com/advice) for more information.

Print (X) next to each type of cover you wish to cancel.



Death



TPD



Income Protection

<sup>1</sup> Personal financial product advice is provided under the Australian Financial Services Licence held by a third party and not by AustralianSuper Pty Ltd. Some personal advice may attract a fee, which would be outlined before any work is completed and is subject to your agreement. With your approval, the fee for advice relating to your AustralianSuper account may be deducted from your super account subject to eligibility criteria.

### 4.3 Start your basic cover now

**Complete this section to start your basic cover.** If you're receiving employer super contributions, you can apply to start your basic cover, even if your super balance hasn't reached \$6,000. You should read the *Insurance in your super* guide for important information about when your cover will start.

The cost of your cover will be deducted monthly from your super account from the date your cover starts.

**Print (X) to start your basic cover now.**

You'll receive basic (age-based) Death, TPD and Income Protection cover.

If you don't want all of your basic cover to start, you can cancel part of your cover (section 4.2). If you've chosen to cancel any cover, the type(s) of cover you've cancelled won't start automatically, even if your super balance reaches \$6,000 in the future. If you want that cover type in the future, you'll need to apply and provide detailed health information for the Insurer to consider.

### 4.4 Start your basic cover later

**This is our default option.** There's no action required if you'd like your basic cover to start later – once you're 25 or older and your super balance has reached \$6,000; and you've received an employer super contribution after your super balance first reaches \$6,000. If you've chosen to cancel any cover, the type(s) of cover you've cancelled won't start automatically, even if your super balance reaches \$6,000 in the future.

### 4.5 Change your individual work rating

A work rating classifies the usual activities of your job into one of three ratings: Blue Collar, White Collar or Professional. Your individual work rating is one of the factors that determines how much you pay for your insurance cover.

When you join AustralianSuper and have insurance cover, you pay what it costs to provide you with cover based on our default work rating, Blue Collar. **Insurance cover with a Blue Collar work rating is the most expensive.**

**Complete the questions below to apply to change your individual work rating to White Collar or Professional.**

- Are the usual activities of your main job 'white collar'? Yes  No   
This means:
  - you spend more than 80% of your job doing clerical or administrative activities in an office-based environment, or
  - you're a professional using your university qualifications in a job that has no unusual work hazards (some examples of unusual work hazards include: working underground, working underwater, working at heights or working in the air).
- Do you earn \$100,000 or more a year (excluding Superannuation Guarantee (SG) contributions) from your job(s)? Yes  No   
This amount is pro rata for part time employment (for example, if you work part time 4 days a week and earn \$96,000 a year, your pro rata/full time equivalent is \$120,000).
- Do you have a university qualification? Yes  No
- Do you have a management role in your company? Yes  No

## 5 Your investment choice

When you join AustralianSuper by completing this form, you'll automatically be invested in the default Balanced option – our MySuper authorised product.

If you'd like to move your money into a different investment option or options, it won't cost you anything to switch. Just log into your account or the mobile app and click Investments or complete and return the *Investment choice* form available at [australiansuper.com/forms](https://australiansuper.com/forms)

For more information about our investment options, download our *Investment Guide* at [australiansuper.com/InvestmentGuide](https://australiansuper.com/InvestmentGuide)



## 6 Give your financial adviser access to your account details

Completing this section of the form will give your financial adviser and their staff access to your account details. If you have previously granted a financial adviser access to your account details, providing details of a new adviser here will remove access for the previous adviser.

Full name of financial adviser<sup>1</sup>

Name of business

Adviser email address<sup>1</sup>

Telephone

ASIC Financial adviser representative number<sup>1</sup>

Licensee AFSL number<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Mandatory fields

## 7 Declaration and acknowledgment

This section must be completed in all circumstances.

I declare that:

- I've read and understood the Duty to take reasonable care. The answers I've provided, together with any special conditions will form the basis of the Insurer's decision.
- The answers I've provided are true, complete and correct.
- I'm aware that a document that outlines the target market each AustralianSuper product is designed for is available at [australiansuper.com/tmd](http://australiansuper.com/tmd)
- I've read and understood the Product Disclosure Statement that came with this form and the *Insurance in your super* guide for my division at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceGuide) and understand that the additional information referred to in the guide is also part of the Product Disclosure Statement.
- I'm aware that the Trust Deed and Rules governing AustralianSuper (including the rights and obligations of members) are available at [australiansuper.com/TrustDeed](http://australiansuper.com/TrustDeed)
- I've read the Privacy Collection Statement at the front of this booklet and I understand how AustralianSuper will use my personal information.
- If I've provided my email address and/or phone number, I consent to AustralianSuper sending me information about my account, AustralianSuper's products and services and marketing communications, including third-party products and services, via email, my account online, SMS, mobile app or phone, as appropriate and in accordance with AustralianSuper's Privacy Policy and my existing communication preferences. I understand I can change my communication preferences at any time by calling AustralianSuper on **1300 300 273** or through the *Communication preferences* section of my account online.

I acknowledge that:

- The information requested on this form (unless otherwise stipulated) is required in order for AustralianSuper to accept my application for membership and for the ongoing administration of my membership by AustralianSuper's fund administrator and other service providers.
- If I haven't completed section 4 of this form, there'll be no change to any basic insurance cover I have or am eligible for.

- My eligibility to claim for benefits will be determined in line with the insurance policy terms and conditions.
- Insurance cover will only be provided in line with the insurance policy terms and conditions as agreed between AustralianSuper and the Insurer. Those terms and conditions may change from time to time and AustralianSuper will notify me of those changes where required by law.
- If I've applied to start my basic cover earlier, and my application is accepted, my cover will start automatically if I'm receiving employer super contributions even if my super balance hasn't reached \$6,000. This means that the cost of my cover will be deducted monthly from my super account.
- I'll no longer be insured for the types of cover I've cancelled, and:
  - I (or my beneficiaries) won't be able to make an insurance claim if I suffer an illness or injury or I die after I cancel.
  - The cost of cover won't be or will stop being deducted from my super account (costs are deducted one month in arrears).
  - Any cover type I've cancelled won't start automatically, even if my super balance reaches \$6,000 in the future.
  - I might not be able to get cover later. If I decide to apply for that cover in the future I'll need to provide detailed health information for the Insurer to consider.
  - If I'm replacing this cover with another insurance policy, I'll wait until the other super fund or insurer confirms my cover has started.
  - I've considered getting financial advice to help work out if cancellation is right for me.
- Any change in cover that's been accepted by the Insurer will start from the later of:
  - the date my application is received (as long as I'm receiving employer super contributions into my super account) or
  - the date confirmed by AustralianSuper.
- Any cover I've cancelled will stop from the date my cancellation is received by AustralianSuper or the Insurer (as applicable).
- A photocopy of this authorisation is as valid as the original.

Sign here

Date

Print name

A summary of AustralianSuper's Privacy Collection Statement is at the front of this booklet. Our Privacy Collection Statement and Privacy Policy may change from time to time. The latest versions will be available online at [australiansuper.com/CollectionStatement](http://australiansuper.com/CollectionStatement) and [australiansuper.com/privacy](http://australiansuper.com/privacy). For information on the Insurer's privacy and information-handling practices, read their Privacy Policy Statement at [tal.com.au/privacy](http://tal.com.au/privacy) or call **1300 302 961** for a copy.

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# Pay my super into AustralianSuper

Give this completed form to your employer. Don't send it to us or the Australian Taxation Office.

Please complete in pen using CAPITAL letters and print (X) to mark boxes where applicable.

## 1 Member to complete

Please complete your details below and provide this form to your employer if you want them to pay your super into your AustralianSuper account.

### Employee details

Employee name:

AustralianSuper account name:

Member number:  Date of request:

### Sign here

Date

### Print name

Give this form to your employer. Don't send it to us or the Australian Taxation Office.



## 2 Information for the employer

Your employee has requested you pay their super into their AustralianSuper account. This form is an allowable alternative to the ATO Superannuation standard choice form.

AustralianSuper is a complying, resident and regulated super fund and can accept all types of super contributions within the meaning of the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993 and is not subject to a direction under section 63 of that Act. AustralianSuper is a registrable superannuation entity and may be nominated as a default fund, as it meets the minimum statutory insurance cover requirements. The Trustee of the Fund is AustralianSuper Pty Ltd ABN 94 006 457 987 AFSL 233788.

### Fund details

Fund name:

Unique Superannuation Identifier (USI):

Australian Business Number (ABN):

Fund telephone number:

### How to make payments into AustralianSuper

QuickSuper<sup>1</sup> is our online payment solution that gives you the choice of making one payment for all your employees – regardless of the super fund they belong to. It's suitable for all types of businesses and there is no additional cost to use.

You can register for QuickSuper at [australiansuper.com/PaySuper](http://australiansuper.com/PaySuper)<sup>2</sup>. You'll need to have your company details and AustralianSuper employer number handy. If you don't have an AustralianSuper employer number, you can join us at [australiansuper.com/join](http://australiansuper.com/join)

Employee number if known:  Date employee's request received:  Date employee's request actioned:

Call us on **1300 300 273** if you need help understanding your employer super obligations or making payments for your employees.



<sup>1</sup> QuickSuper is a registered trademark and a product owned and operated by Westpac Banking Corporation ABN 33 007 457 141. Westpac's terms and conditions applicable to the QuickSuper service are available after your eligibility for the clearing house service is assessed by AustralianSuper. A Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) is available from Westpac upon request. AustralianSuper doesn't receive any commissions from Westpac if employers use this service. AustralianSuper doesn't accept liability for any loss or damage caused by use of the QuickSuper service, except to the extent that loss or damage is caused by any fraud, negligence or wilful misconduct by AustralianSuper (or its agents, employees, officers or contractors). This does not exclude, restrict or modify, or have the effect of excluding, restricting or modifying AustralianSuper's liability for breach of a statutory warranty or condition implied by law, including Australian consumer protection laws. You can choose to make your contributions using a different service, but it needs to meet the government's minimum data standards, visit [ato.gov.au](http://ato.gov.au)

<sup>2</sup> You can choose to submit your contributions using a different service, but it needs to meet the government's minimum data standards as legislated in the Stronger Super reforms. You can find out more by visiting [ato.gov.au/Business/Super-for-employers/Paying-super-contributions](http://ato.gov.au/Business/Super-for-employers/Paying-super-contributions)

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# Combine your super

Request to transfer (rollover) the whole or a partial balance of your other super account to AustralianSuper

**Please complete in pen using CAPITAL letters and print (X) to mark boxes where applicable. Form must be completed in full.** If you want to combine super from multiple accounts, you'll need to complete a separate form with original signatures for each account you wish to combine. Alternatively you can combine multiple accounts online at [australiansuper.com/combine](http://australiansuper.com/combine)

## 1 Fill in your personal details

Last name

Mr  Mrs  Ms  Miss  Dr

First name/s

Date of birth

Other/previous names

Street address

Suburb  State  Postcode

Previous street address (if details with your FROM fund are different to those above)

Suburb  State  Postcode

Telephone (business hours)  Telephone (after hours)  Mobile

Male  Female  Email

If I've provided my email address and/or phone number, I consent to AustralianSuper sending me information about my account, AustralianSuper's products and services and marketing communications, including third-party products and services, via email, my account online, SMS, mobile app or phone, as appropriate and in accordance with AustralianSuper's Privacy Policy and my existing communication preferences. I understand I can change my communication preferences at any time by calling AustralianSuper on **1300 300 273** or through the *Communication preferences* section of my account online.

## 2 Provide super account details

### FROM:

**Other super fund**

Fund name

Fund phone number  Member or account number

Australian Business Number (ABN)  Unique Superannuation Identifier (USI)

**Self-managed super fund (SMSF)**

SMSF name  Australian Business Number (ABN)

Electronic Service Address (ESA)

**TO: Fund name**  **Member number**

**Australian Business Number (ABN)**  **Unique Superannuation Identifier (USI)**

## 3 Is this a whole or partial balance transfer?

- Whole - I'd like to transfer the whole balance of this account. This means you're asking us to close your other super account.
- Partial - I'd like to transfer a nominated amount: \$ , , .00

Before combining (consolidating) super from your other super account, you should consider any fees and costs that may apply and the effect a transfer may have on benefits in your other fund such as insurance cover. If you want to transfer insurance cover you have with your other super account to AustralianSuper, you'll need to transfer it before you combine your super. Download an *Insurance transfer form* at [australiansuper.com/InsuranceForms](http://australiansuper.com/InsuranceForms) If you wish to claim a tax deduction for personal super contributions, you must lodge a notice of intent to claim a tax deduction with your other fund, before you combine your super.



Follow these instructions to set up a binding nomination.

## What's a binding nomination?

A binding nomination instructs AustralianSuper how to pay your death benefit if you die.

As long as it's valid, your nomination is legally binding and we must follow it. This is why it's important to consider changing or cancelling your binding nomination if your circumstances change, so that your benefit will be paid in line with your current wishes.

## Who can I nominate?

For a binding nomination to be valid, the people you list at step 2 of this form must be (at the date of your death):

- your spouse (including de facto and same sex)
- your children (including step<sup>1</sup>, adopted or ex-nuptial of any age)
- financially dependent<sup>2</sup> on you
- an interdependant (see More about interdependants), or
- your legal personal representative, which means the executor or administrator of your estate.

You can only select one relationship per nomination.

## How long does it last?

A correctly completed binding nomination remains valid for three years from the date you sign the form. The expiry date of your binding nomination is shown on your annual statement and we'll also send you a reminder before your nomination expires.

## How do I cancel my binding nomination?

You can cancel your binding nomination at any time. To cancel your nomination you need to complete a *Making, changing or cancelling a binding death nomination* form and return it to us. Download the form at [australiansuper.com/forms](https://australiansuper.com/forms)

## How do I change my binding nomination?

You can change your binding nomination at any time. To change your current binding nomination you'll need to complete a new valid *Binding death benefit nomination* form and return it to us. This new nomination will override your current binding nomination. Download the form at [australiansuper.com/forms](https://australiansuper.com/forms)

## Does it cost anything?

No. There are no fees for you to make a binding nomination.

## What if my nomination is invalid?

If your nomination is invalid, we'll consider your wishes, but will use our discretion when paying out your death benefit.

Examples of an invalid binding nomination include:

- your nomination being made more than three years ago;
- the form being incorrectly signed and witnessed; or
- the individuals nominated no longer qualifying as your dependants at the date of your death.

## More about interdependants

An interdependent relationship exists if:

- two people have a close personal relationship which involves a demonstrated and ongoing commitment to a shared life and each other's emotional support and wellbeing; and
- they live together, or are temporarily living apart; and
- one or each of them provides the other with financial support; and
- one or each of them provides the other with domestic support and personal care of a level normally provided in a close personal relationship, rather than by a mere friend or flatmate

OR

- if they don't live together or provide each other with financial support, domestic support and personal care, it's because one or both of them suffer from a disability.

Two people don't have an interdependent relationship if one of them provides domestic support and personal care to the other and is paid for this or works on behalf of another person or organisation such as a government agency, a body corporate or a benevolent or charitable organisation.

Whether your nominated beneficiaries qualify as your interdependants will be assessed when a claim is made.

## AustralianSuper will pay your death benefit in accordance with your binding nomination if it:

- is made to us in writing on the form over the page;
- nominates one or more of your dependants (at the date of your death) or legal personal representative;
- is signed and dated by two people who have witnessed you sign and date the form, are aged 18 years or over and are not nominated on the form;
- is received by us before your death; and
- has not expired before your death.

<sup>1</sup> If your nomination(s) include stepchildren, the nomination will end if/when the relationship between you and the natural parent ends. For example, upon death or divorce. They may be able to qualify as having an interdependent relationship at the time of your death.

<sup>2</sup> As defined by Superannuation law.

## Privacy Collection Statement

Please read this Privacy Collection Statement to see how AustralianSuper uses your personal information.

AustralianSuper Pty Ltd (ABN 94 006 457 987) of GPO Box 1901, Melbourne, Victoria, 3001, collects your personal information (PI) to operate, and administer your super account (including insurance) or retirement income account, improve our products and services and keep you informed. If we can't collect your PI we may not be able to perform these services. PI is collected from you but sometimes from third parties like your employer and your financial adviser (if applicable). We will only share your PI where necessary to perform our activities with our administrator (Australian Administration Services Pty Ltd, Link Group), service providers, as required by law or court/tribunal order, or with your permission. Your PI may be accessed overseas by some of our service providers and, where applicable to your circumstances, by third-party service providers of your financial adviser. Our Privacy Policy details how to access and change your PI, as well as our privacy complaints process. For complete details go to [australiansuper.com/privacy](https://australiansuper.com/privacy) or call us on **1300 300 273**.

# Binding death benefit nomination

Use this form to set up a binding nomination.

Please complete in pen using CAPITAL letters and print (x) to mark boxes. Form must be completed in full. Read the Privacy Collection Statement on this form to see how AustralianSuper uses your personal information.

## 1 Provide your personal details

Last name

First name/s

Street address

Suburb/Town

Telephone (business hours)  Mobile number

Mr  Mrs  Ms  Miss  Dr

Date of birth

State  Postcode

## 2 Nominate who you want to receive your death benefit

Read *Who can I nominate?* on page 1 before filling in this section.

If you're nominating your 'Legal personal representative', you don't need to complete the sections headed 'Full name' and 'Residential address' for that part of your nomination. However, you must complete the '% of benefit' section.

If you have more than five nominees, please attach them to this form on a separate sheet of paper. **Please use the two decimal point spaces provided for the benefit percentages (% of benefit) section to add up to 100.00%. Only select one relationship per nomination.**

Full name	Relationship	Residential address	% of benefit
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> Interdependant <input type="checkbox"/> Financial dependant <sup>2</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> Legal personal representative (executor or administrator of your estate)		<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %
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<b>TOTAL MUST ADD UP TO 100.00%</b>			<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %

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