



Diocese of Wagga Wagga
Catholic Schools Office



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MEMORANDUM

Please complete these forms and return to the Payroll Office.

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Sometimes, unavoidably, the pay is delayed and does not go into the bank until Friday therefore deductions from bank accounts should not be authorised prior to the last day of the pay period i.e. Friday.

If a delay occurs and deductions are coming out prior to the Friday the CSO will not be responsible for the default fee.

When you have received your first payment you will need to contact the Payroll Office to obtain details of your new employee number so that you can gain access to the Employee Self Service website.

Scanned documents may be emailed/or any enquires directed to pbris@ww.catholic.edu.au.

Thank you

SUE HONS
PAYROLL COORDINATOR

From 1 January 2010, this Fair Work Information Statement is to be provided to all new employees by their employer as soon as possible after the commencement of employment. The Statement provides basic information on matters that will affect your employment. If you require further information, you can contact the **Fair Work Infoline** on **13 13 94** or visit **www.fairwork.gov.au**.

▲ The National Employment Standards

The *Fair Work Act 2009* provides you with a safety net of minimum terms and conditions of employment through the National Employment Standards (NES).

There are 10 minimum workplace entitlements in the NES:

1. A maximum standard working week of 38 hours for full-time employees, plus 'reasonable' additional hours.
2. A right to request flexible working arrangements.
3. Parental and adoption leave of 12 months (unpaid), with a right to request an additional 12 months.
4. Four weeks paid annual leave each year (pro rata).
5. Ten days paid personal/carer's leave each year (pro rata), two days paid compassionate leave for each permissible occasion, and two days unpaid carer's leave for each permissible occasion.
6. Community service leave for jury service or activities dealing with certain emergencies or natural disasters. This leave is unpaid except for jury service.
7. Long service leave.
8. Public holidays and the entitlement to be paid for ordinary hours on those days.
9. Notice of termination and redundancy pay.
10. The right for new employees to receive the Fair Work Information Statement.

A complete copy of the NES can be accessed at **www.fairwork.gov.au**. Please note that some conditions or limitations may apply to your entitlement to the NES. For instance, there are some exclusions for casual employees.

If you work for an employer who sells or transfers their business to a new owner, some of your NES entitlements may carry over to the new employer. Some NES entitlements which may carry over include personal/carer's leave, parental leave, and your right to request flexible working arrangements.

▲ Right to request flexible working arrangements

Requests for flexible working arrangements form part of the NES. You may request a change in your working arrangements, including changes in hours, patterns or location of work from your employer if you require flexibility because you:

- are the parent, or have responsibility for the care, of a child who is of school age or younger
- are a carer (within the meaning of the *Carer Recognition Act 2010*)
- have a disability
- are 55 or older
- are experiencing violence from a member of your family or
- provide care or support to a member of your immediate family or household, who requires care or support because they are experiencing violence from their family.

If you are a parent of a child or have responsibility for the care of a child and are returning to work after taking parental or adoption leave you may request to return to work on a part-time basis to help you care for the child.

▲ Modern awards

In addition to the NES, you may be covered by a modern award. These awards cover an industry or occupation and provide additional enforceable minimum employment standards. There is also a Miscellaneous Award that may cover employees who are not covered by any other modern award.

Modern awards may contain terms about minimum wages, penalty rates, types of employment, flexible working arrangements, hours of work, rest breaks, classifications, allowances, leave and leave loading, superannuation, and procedures for consultation, representation, and dispute settlement. They may also contain terms about industry specific redundancy entitlements.

If you are a manager or a high income employee, the modern award that covers your industry or occupation may not apply to you. For example, where your employer guarantees in writing that you will earn more than the high income threshold, currently set at \$136,700 per annum and indexed annually, a modern award will not apply, but the NES will.

▲ Agreement making

You may be involved in an enterprise bargaining process where your employer, you or your representative (such as a union or other bargaining representative) negotiate for an enterprise agreement. Once approved by the Fair Work Commission, an enterprise agreement is enforceable and provides for changes in the terms and conditions of employment that apply at your workplace.

There are specific rules relating to the enterprise bargaining process. These rules are about negotiation, voting, matters that can and cannot be included in an enterprise agreement, and how the agreement can be approved by the Fair Work Commission.

You and your employer have the right to be represented by a bargaining representative and must bargain in good faith when negotiating an enterprise agreement. There are also strict rules for taking industrial action. For information about making, varying, or terminating enterprise agreements visit the Fair Work Commission website, www.fwc.gov.au.

▲ Individual flexibility arrangements

Your modern award or enterprise agreement must include a flexibility term. This term allows you and your employer to agree to an Individual Flexibility Arrangement (IFA), which varies the effect of certain terms of your modern award or enterprise agreement. IFAs are designed to meet the needs of both you and your employer. You cannot be forced to make an IFA, however, if you choose to make an IFA, you must be better off overall. IFAs are to be in writing, and if you are under 18 years of age, your IFA must also be signed by your parent or guardian.

▲ Freedom of association and workplace rights (general protections)

The law not only provides you with rights, it ensures you can enforce them. It is unlawful for your employer to take adverse action against you because you have a workplace right. Adverse action could include dismissing you, refusing to employ you, negatively altering your position, or treating you differently for discriminatory reasons. Some of your workplace rights include the right to freedom of association (including the right to become or not to become a member of a union), and the right to be free from unlawful discrimination, undue influence and pressure.

If you have experienced adverse action by your employer, you can seek assistance from the Fair Work Ombudsman or the Fair Work Commission (applications relating to general protections where you have been dismissed must be lodged with the Fair Work Commission within 21 days).

▲ Termination of employment

Termination of employment can occur for a number of reasons, including redundancy, resignation and dismissal. When your employment relationship ends, you are entitled to receive any outstanding employment entitlements. This may include outstanding wages, payment in lieu of notice, payment for accrued annual leave and long service leave, and any applicable redundancy payments.

Your employer should not dismiss you in a manner that is 'harsh, unjust or unreasonable'. If this occurs, this may constitute unfair dismissal and you may be eligible to make an application to the Fair Work Commission for assistance. It is important to note that applications must be lodged within 21 days of dismissal. Special provisions apply to small businesses, including the Small Business Fair Dismissal Code. For further information on this code, please visit www.fairwork.gov.au.

▲ Right of entry

Right of entry refers to the rights and obligations of permit holders (generally a union official) to enter work premises. A permit holder must have a valid and current entry permit from the Fair Work Commission and, generally, must provide 24 hours notice of their intention to enter the premises. Entry may be for discussion purposes, or to investigate suspected contraventions of workplace laws that affect a member of the permit holder's organisation or occupational health and safety matters. A permit holder can inspect or copy certain documents, however, strict privacy restrictions apply to the permit holder, their organisation, and your employer.

▲ The Fair Work Ombudsman and the Fair Work Commission

The **Fair Work Ombudsman** is an independent statutory agency created under the *Fair Work Act 2009*, and is responsible for promoting harmonious, productive and cooperative Australian workplaces. The Fair Work Ombudsman educates employers and employees about workplace rights and obligations to ensure compliance with workplace laws. Where appropriate, the Fair Work Ombudsman will commence proceedings against employers, employees, and/or their representatives who breach workplace laws.

If you require further information from the Fair Work Ombudsman, you can contact the **Fair Work Infoline** on 13 13 94 or visit www.fairwork.gov.au.

The **Fair Work Commission** is the national workplace relations tribunal established under the *Fair Work Act 2009*. The Fair Work Commission is an independent body with the authority to carry out a range of functions relating to the safety net of minimum wages and employment conditions, enterprise bargaining, industrial action, dispute resolution, termination of employment, and other workplace matters.

If you require further information, you can visit the Fair Work Commission website, www.fwc.gov.au.

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BANK ADVICE – NEW MEMBERS OF STAFF

Please find below an authority slip which, upon completion and return to the Payroll Office, will enable your salary payments to commence immediately. (Accounts with NSW based Building Societies are also acceptable for nomination).

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AUTHORITY FOR SALARY TO BE PAID DIRECTLY INTO BANK

NAME OF BANK: _____

ACCOUNT IN NAME OF: _____

ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

BRANCH: _____

BRANCH NUMBER (BSB): _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

**Please return to the Payroll Office at the above address*



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Superannuation Nomination Form

1. **Superannuation Guarantee Superannuation**

This is an amount currently equal to 9.5% of an employee's gross salary which is paid by the employer to the employee's benefit. It is an Award provision negotiated by employer and employee representatives and is therefore fixed, but employees should note that it is paid over and above their salary and is not a salary deduction.

2. **Membership and Date of Entry File**

This office has to maintain a file indicating fund membership and date of entry for each staff member. You are therefore asked to complete the details below and return to the Payroll Manager.

3. **Default Fund**

If you do not elect a superannuation fund into which your entitlements can be placed, then your funds will automatically be placed into the Catholic Superannuation Fund.

I, _____ hereby advise the following details in respect of my Superannuation payments.

Superannuation Guarantee Superannuation

- Non-Government Schools Superannuation Fund (www.ngssuper.com.au)
- Catholic Superannuation Fund (www.csf.com.au)
- Clerical, Administrative and Retail Employees Superannuation Fund (www.caresuper.com.au)
- Catholic Superannuation and Retirement Fund (www.catholicsuper.com.au)
- Other (Please specify and complete Choice of Superannuation Fund Standard Choice Form – this must be a complying fund)

Salary Sacrifice

- Non-Government Schools Superannuation Fund
 - Catholic Superannuation Fund
 - Clerical, Administrative and Retail Employees Superannuation Fund
 - Catholic Superannuation and Retirement Fund
 - Other (Please specify and complete Choice of Superannuation Fund Standard Choice Form – this must be a complying fund)
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Salary Sacrifice percentage _____%

Date to commence ____/____/____

Voluntary Contributions

- Non-Government Schools Superannuation Fund
 - Catholic Superannuation Fund
 - Clerical, Administrative and Retail Employees Superannuation Fund
 - Catholic Superannuation and Retirement Fund
 - Other (Please specify and complete Choice of Superannuation Fund Standard Choice Form – this must be a complying fund)
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Voluntary Contribution percentage _____%

Date to commence ____/____/____

Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Please return to the Payroll Office at the above address.

Superannuation (super) standard choice form

WHEN TO USE THE FORM

Employers

Use this form to offer eligible employees their choice of super fund. You must fill in the details of your nominated super fund, also known as your default fund, before giving the form to employees.

Give this form to an employee when:

- you hire a new employee who is eligible to choose a super fund
- an existing eligible employee asks you for it
- you can no longer contribute to an employee's nominated super fund or it is no longer a complying fund
- you change your employer-nominated super fund and need to advise employees affected by this change.

Employees

Use this form to advise an employer of your choice of super fund.

You must provide the required information so your employer can make contributions to your nominated super fund.

ABOUT THE FORM

The *Standard choice form* has three sections:

- section A, which the employee completes by providing details of their choice of super fund, together with supporting documents.
- section B, which the employer completes by providing details of their nominated super fund (before they give the form to an employee).
- section C, which the employer completes to document the choice process for an employee.

Employers must retain the returned form as their record of the choice process. Completed forms must be retained for five years.



Superannuation reform changes – SuperStream

SuperStream is a new standard for the way employers pay contributions and send information to super funds. This form collects information that employers will need when using SuperStream.



SECTION A: EMPLOYEE TO COMPLETE

If you choose your own super fund you will need to obtain current information from your fund to complete items 3 or 4.

Item 3

Nominating your APRA fund or RSA

Complete this item if you are nominating your own APRA fund (fund regulated by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority) or a retirement savings account (RSA).

You must include the unique superannuation identifier (USI) provided by your fund.

You must attach a letter from the fund trustee or RSA provider confirming that the fund or RSA:

- is a complying fund or RSA, and
- will accept payments from your employer.

This letter may contain other information to help your employer make super contributions using the SuperStream standard.

Item 4

Nominating your self-managed super fund (SMSF)

Complete this item if you are nominating a self-managed super fund (SMSF).

You must include your SMSF's ABN, bank account details and electronic service address (ESA) (so the fund can receive electronic messages and payments from your employer using SuperStream).

FIND OUT MORE

ato.gov.au/SMSFSuperStream – for information about how SuperStream applies to SMSFs

If you are using an SMSF message service provider they will provide you with an electronic service address alias to include as the ESA on the form.

You must attach copies of the following documents to support your SMSF choice:

- a document confirming that the fund is regulated – this can be printed from superfundlookup.gov.au
- a letter from the trustee of the SMSF confirming that the fund will accept payments from your employer – if you are the trustee, or a director of the corporate trustee, you can confirm acceptance by placing an 'X' in the relevant box on the form.

Things you should know

- Your employer is not liable for the performance of the super fund you or they nominate
- You should not seek financial advice from your employer unless they are licensed to provide it
- Your employer is only required to accept one choice of fund from you in a 12-month period; however, they may accept more
- Your employer has two months after you return this form to them to action your request
- Any money you have in existing funds will remain there unless you arrange to transfer it (roll it over) to another fund – check the impact of any exit fees you will incur or benefits you may lose before leaving the fund (your employer cannot do this for you)
- If you quote your TFN to your employer for super purposes, they must provide it to the super fund

You may have lost super

- It is important to keep track of your super – if you've ever changed your name, address or job, you may have lost track of some of your super
- Having several super accounts could mean that fees and charges are reducing your overall super investment
- You can register for our online services and use SuperSeeker to check all your super accounts, find any lost or ATO-held super and transfer your super into one account using a simple online form

FIND OUT MORE

■ ato.gov.au/superseeker

■ ato.gov.au/super – for information about super or choosing a super fund

■ moneysmart.gov.au (on the Australian Securities & Investment Commission [ASIC] website) – search for 'choose super fund' for tips on how to choose a fund

SECTIONS B & C: EMPLOYER TO COMPLETE

If an employee nominates their own super fund, they will provide information at section A that will assist you to prepare for, and make contributions to super funds using SuperStream.

➤ FIND OUT MORE

ato.gov.au/simplifyingSuperStream – for more information on SuperStream.

Section B

Complete section B before giving this form to your employee. The super fund you nominate must be authorised to offer a MySuper product. If you need to confirm your MySuper arrangements contact your default super fund.

Sign and date this section on the day you give the form to your employee.

Section C

Complete section C after your employee returns this form to you. Record the date you accept your employee's choice of fund and the date that you act on the choice. Retain the form with your records. Do not send the form to the ATO or to super funds.

➤ FIND OUT MORE

- ato.gov.au/employersuper – for more information on super, offering an employee a choice of fund or paying super contributions
- apra.gov.au/RSE – to find a super fund authorised to offer a MySuper product

Things you should know

- The quarterly* due dates for super contributions are:
 - 28 October
 - 28 January
 - 28 April
 - 28 July
- If you have not received an employee's completed form and a super contribution is due, you must make the payment to your nominated fund by the due date
- In the two months after you receive an employee's completed form, you can pay their super contributions to either the fund you have nominated or the fund they have nominated
- After the two-month period, you must make contribution payments to the fund the employee has nominated
- You do not have to action an employee's fund nomination if they have nominated a fund in the previous 12 months; however, you may choose to action their request

➤ FIND OUT MORE

- phone **13 10 20** between 8am and 6pm, Monday to Friday, to speak to a tax officer
- phone our publications ordering service on **1300 720 092** for copies of our publications
- write to us at
Australian Tax Office
PO Box 3578
Albury NSW 2640

➤ HELP

- If you do not speak English well and want to talk to a tax officer, phone the Translating and Interpreting Service on **13 14 50** for help with your call.
- If you have a hearing or speech impairment and have access to appropriate TTY or modem equipment, phone **13 36 77**. If you do not have access to TTY or modem equipment, phone the Speech to Speech Relay Service on **1300 555 727**.

* You can pay contributions more regularly than quarterly. For example, some employers pay fortnightly or monthly based on employee workplace agreements or arrangements with super funds.

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

We are committed to providing you with accurate, consistent and clear information to help you understand your rights and entitlements and meet your obligations.

If you follow our information in this publication and it turns out to be incorrect, or it is misleading and you make a mistake as a result, we must still apply the law correctly. If that means you owe us money, we must ask you to pay it but we will not charge you a penalty. Also, if you acted reasonably and in good faith we will not charge you interest.

If you make an honest mistake in trying to follow our information in this publication and you owe us money as a result, we will not charge you a penalty. However, we will ask you to pay the money, and we may also charge you interest. If correcting the mistake means we owe you money, we will pay it to you. We will also pay you any interest you are entitled to.

If you feel that this publication does not fully cover your circumstances, or you are unsure how it applies to you, you can seek further assistance from us.

We regularly revise our publications to take account of any changes to the law, so make sure that you have the latest information. If you are unsure, you can check for more recent information on our website at ato.gov.au or contact us.

This publication was current at **August 2014**.



Superannuation Standard choice form

For use by employers when offering employees a choice of fund and by employees to advise their employer of their chosen fund.

Section A: Employee to complete

1 Choice of superannuation (super) fund

I request that all my future super contributions be paid to: (place an in one of the boxes below)

The APRA fund or retirement savings account (RSA) I nominate Complete items 2, 3 and 5

The self-managed super fund (SMSF) I nominate Complete items 2, 4 and 5

The super fund nominated by my employer (in section B) Complete items 2 and 5

2 Your details

Name

Employee identification number (if applicable)

Tax file number (TFN)

! You do not have to quote your TFN but if you do not provide it, your contributions may be taxed at a higher rate. Your TFN also helps you keep track of your super and allows you to make personal contributions to your fund.

3 Nominating your APRA fund or RSA

You will need current details from your APRA regulated fund or RSA to complete this item.

Fund ABN

Fund name

Fund address

Suburb/town State/territory Postcode

Fund phone

Unique superannuation identifier (USI)

Your account name (if applicable)

Your member number (if applicable)

Required documentation

You need to attach a letter from your fund stating that they are a complying fund and that they will accept contributions from your employer. Correct information about your super fund is needed for your employer to pay super contributions.

4 Nominating your self-managed super fund (SMSF)

You will need current details from your SMSF trustee to complete this item.

Fund ABN

Fund name

Fund address

Suburb/town State/territory Postcode

Fund phone

Fund electronic service address (ESA)

Fund bank account
BSB code (please include all six numbers) Account number

Required documentation

You need to attach a document confirming the SMSF is an ATO regulated super fund. You can locate and print a copy of the compliance status for your SMSF by searching using the ABN or fund name in the Super Fund Lookup service at <http://superfundlookup.gov.au/>

If you are the trustee, or a director of the corporate trustee you can confirm that your SMSF will accept contributions from your employer by making the following declaration (place an 'X' in the box below):

I am the trustee, or a director of the corporate trustee of the SMSF and I declare that the SMSF will accept contributions from my employer.

If you are not the trustee, or a director of the corporate trustee of the SMSF, then you must attach a letter from the trustee confirming that the fund will accept contributions from your employer.

5 Signature and date

If you have nominated your own fund in Item 3 or 4, check that you have attached the required documentation and then place an 'X' in the box below.

I have attached the relevant documentation.

Signature

Date
Day Month Year
 / /

Return the completed form to your employer as soon as possible.

Section B: Employer to complete

You must complete this section before giving the form to an employee who is eligible to choose the super fund into which you pay their super contributions.

! Sign and date the form when you give it to your employee.

6 Your details

Business name

ABN

Signature

Date

Day / Month / Year
 / /

7 Your nominated super fund

If the employee does not choose their own super fund, you are required to pay super contributions on their behalf to the fund that you have nominated below:

Super fund name

Unique superannuation identifier (USI)

Phone (for the product disclosure statement for this fund)

Super fund website address

Section C: Employer to complete

! Complete this section when your employee returns the form to you with section A completed.

8 Record of choice acceptance

In the two months after you receive the form from your employee you can make super contributions to either the fund you nominated or the fund the employee nominated. After the two-month period you must make payments to the fund chosen by the employee.

! If you don't meet your obligations, including paying your employee superannuation contributions to the correct fund, you may face penalties.

Date employee's choice is received / /

Date you act on your employee's choice / /

! Employers must keep the completed form for their own record for five years. **Do not send it to the Australian Taxation Office, the employer's nominated fund or the employee's nominated fund.**

PRIVACY STATEMENT

The ATO does not collect this information; we provide this form as a means for employees to identify and provide necessary information to their employer. An employer is authorised to collect an employee's TFN under the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993*. It is not an offence for an employee not to quote their TFN. However, quoting a TFN reduces the risk of administrative errors and if the employee does not quote their TFN their contributions may be taxed at a higher rate. An employee can get more details regarding their privacy rights by contacting their superannuation fund.