

# **Employer Training**

## Participating Local District - School Support Teacher

## **Training Expectations**

Presenter: Vicki Hamlin

Employer Reporting Training Specialist

- Attendee Introductions
- Interruptions during training



- Virtual Webinar Environment
  - Questions/Comments







# Training Agenda

## 1. Employer Reporting Unit and MainePERS Background

- 2. Accessing Employer Self-Service (ESS)
- 3. Understanding Eligibility and Enrollment
- 4. Navigating Employer Self-Service Part 1
- 5. Navigating Employer Self-Service Part 2
- 6. Survivor Services and Group Life Insurance (GLI)
- 7. Additional MainePERS Contacts



# Employer Reporting Unit and MainePERS Background

MainePERS Employer Training

# **Employer Reporting Unit**

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## MainePERS Background

- Maine Public Employees Retirement System
   (MainePERS)
  - Established in 1942
  - 'Maine State Retirement System' (MSRS) until 2007
- Benefits Plan Administrator
  - Defined Benefit Plan
    - Participating Local Districts (PLD), Teacher and State
    - Judicial and Legislative
  - Disability Program
  - Group Life Insurance
  - MaineSTART Defined Contribution (DC) Plan

### MainePERS Mission Statement

Serving the public with sound retirement services to Maine governments.



## MaineSTART Defined Contribution Plan

- Comprehensive Retirement Planning
  - Defined Contribution (DC) Plan
    - Tax-Advantaged Retirement Savings Program
    - Traditional (pre-tax) and Roth (after-tax)
  - One-on-One Retirement Planning Sessions help employees understand and navigate the many retirement tools available to them
- Why MaineSTART?
  - Aids with recruitment and retention of employees
  - Ease of administration for payroll clerk
  - Low cost to employee and employer



earn more about the tax-deferred Defined Contribution savings

MAINE Visit MaineSTART.org

program from MainePERS.

- For More Information or to Schedule a Retirement Planning Session
  - Gary Emery, DC Plan Administrator
    - Phone: (207) 512-3116
    - Email: gary.emery@mainepers.org



## **Keeping You Informed**

- Employer Update
  - Sent via Email
    - On file with MainePERS
  - On Website
    - MainePERS Website: Employers > Employer Updates
  - Past Employer Updates
    - Last Year
- Targeted Email Messaging
  - Unsubscribing
- Employer Self-Service 'News'
  - ESS Login Homepage
- Employer Self-Service Knowledge Base



Employer payroll reports and payments are due no later than 15 days after the end of each month. The due date is advanced to the next business day in instances when the 15th of the month falls on a weekend or holiday. **On-time reporting and payment are required, in order to be in compliance with Internal Revenue Service regulations**. The following are the payroll report and payment due dates for 2021:

2021				
Covered Month	File and Payment Due			
January	February 16, 2021			
February	March 15, 2021			
March	April 15, 2021			



## MainePERS Website

### www.mainepers.org

- Homepage
  - ESS Login
  - Contact
  - Laws & Rules
  - Secured Email
  - Forms & Resources
    - Forms > Employer Forms
  - MaineSTART

### • Employers

- Employer Self Service Guides
- Helpful Resources
  - <u>'MainePERS Terminology</u>'
- Employer Rates & Rate Setting
- Latest News
- Employer Training Sessions
- Employer FAQ's





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# Employer Self-Service Access MainePERS Employer Training

## **Employer Self-Service System**

- Also Known As "ESS"
- MainePERS Reporting Database
  - Defined Benefit
  - Defined Contribution
  - Group Life Insurance
- Access Login via MainePERS Website
- Browser Requirements: Google
   Chrome
  - <u>'Employer Self-Service Desktop</u>
     <u>Specifications'</u>
  - Out-of-date browser warning







## **Employer Self-Service Security Administrator**

- Security Administrator Responsibilities and Expectations
  - ESS User Maintenance
  - Location Demographics
  - Compromised Employer Location Notification to MainePERS
- Security Administrator Setup
  - Employer Location Only
  - More than one location = more than one form
  - <u>'Employer Self Service Security</u> Administrator Authorization'
    - MainePERS Website: Forms & Resources > Forms > Employer Forms



# Security Compromised Employers

- Employer Location Server/Individual Desktop Attack
  - Virus, Phishing, Malware, Ransomware, Spyware, etc.
- Notify MainePERS immediately
  - Employer Services Unit
- Isolate the affected Computer if possible
  - Remove the computer from your network to minimize impact to other systems
- Temporary access restriction to MainePERS Systems
  - Employer Self-Service, In-bound emails
  - All users/contacts at Employer Location
- Restoring System Access







## **Employer Self-Service Users**

- Username: 'P0999\_jjohnson'
  - Preferred Username Formatting
- ESS Security Administrator Creates User Account
  - User's Name
  - Email Address
  - Phone Number(s)
- User Setup Email
  - Email not received
  - Security Questions





## Employer Self-Service Login and Multi Factor Authentication

- ESS Login Screen
  - Username
  - Password
- Forgot User | Forgot Password
- Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)
  - "Twillio"
    - Login Instructions
- Account Locked Out
  - ESS: Security Administrator
  - MFA: MainePERS Employer Services Unit





## Employer Self-Service 'Profile' Tab

- Employer Location Information
  - Employer Demographics
  - Location Details

## <u>Contacts</u>

- Primary Payroll Contact
- Security Administrator
- Chief Financial Contact
- Chief Executive Contact
- Contacts vs. Users
- ESS Roles

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# Understanding MainePERS Eligibility and Enrollment

MainePERS Employer Training

# PLD Plan Eligibility

- What is a 'PLD'?
  - Participating Local District
  - Varies by Location
  - Age 60 and Age 65
- Membership
  - One-time Irrevocable Election
    - Varies by Location
  - Optional
    - Section 218 Agreement
    - Elected/Appointed Officials
    - New Plan Provisions
      - LD711: Transfer from Alternate Retirement Plan
      - LD1103: Limited Period Open Enrollment
  - Mandatory
- Always check with MainePERS





## LD711: Transfer from Alternate Plan

- Varies by Employer Location
  - Must take Certified Action
- Transfer from alternate Qualified Plan
- Transfer in at any time
- Irrevocable election
  - Cannot withdraw same employer
- Pre-tax Deduction
- Original Hire Date
- Membership/Participation Start Date
- Rate Category/RSN
  - Same as regular membership

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## LD 1103: Limited Period Open Enrollment

- Varies by Employer Location
  - Must take Certified Action
- Optional Membership
  - Previously Declined
- 5 Year Limited Enrollment Period
  - Annually September 1<sup>st</sup> November 1st
- After-tax Deduction
- Original Hire Date
- Membership/Participation Start Date
- Rate Category/RSN

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Age 65	57	58

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# PLD Plan and Retirees Returned to Work (RRTW)

## Retirees Returned to Work

- 'Same Employer'
- PLD vs. State/Teacher
- Consolidated PLD vs. Non-Consolidated PLD

Pre-Retirement Employer	Post-Retirement Employer	"Same Employer"?
	State/Teacher	Yes
Legislative or Judicial Retirement Program	Consolidated PLD	No
	Non-Consolidated PLD	No
	Consolidated PLD	Yes
Consolidated PLD	Non-Consolidated PLD	No
	State/Teacher	No
	SAME - Non Consolidated PLD	Yes
Non Consolidated DLD	ANOTHER - Non-Consolidated PLD	No
Non-Consolidated PLD	Consolidated PLD	No
	State/Teacher	No

- Participating Local District (PLD): Reporting Retiree Returned to Work (RRTW) Employees
  - RRTW Inactive as of 06/30/2021
  - RRTW2 All PLD Retirees
- Always check with MainePERS





## **Teacher Eligibility Determination**



## **Teacher Eligibility Determination**

- Job Description Submission
  - 'Official' Job Description
    - DOE Certification
  - 'Official' Job Title
  - Email: teacher@mainepers.org
- 'Same Employer'
  - Same Tax Identification Number (TIN)
    - Confirm with MainePERS



- Basis for Membership
  - Current or prior work in a position covered by the MainePERS State or Teacher plan
    - Not Refunded
  - Contact Employer Services for assistance with determination



## **Teacher Eligibility Determination**

- Optional Membership
  - 'One-time' irrevocable Election with the 'Same Employer'
  - Substitute Teachers (Y0209)
- Known Eligibility Issues
  - Adult Education (Y0210)
  - Coaches (Y0155, YEX\*\*, Y0104)
    - Prior Basis
  - School Secretary (Y1001) & Dietician (Y0408)
    - Grandfathered
- Definition of 'Teacher'
  - MainePERS Website: Laws & Rules
    - Title 5 MRSA Part 20 Chapter 421: General Provisions §17001, paragraph 42





## **Teacher Plan Contribution Rates**

- Employee Contributions
  - Set by Statute
  - Currently set at 7.65%
  - Pre-tax deduction
- Employer Contributions
  - Subject to change July of Each year
  - Currently set at 4.47% (07/01/2023 06/30/2024)
- Grant-Funding Employer Contributions
  - Regular and Retirees returned to work (RRTW)
    - Admin = 0.59%
    - Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL) = 14.51%
    - Total GF Rate = **15.10%** 
      - Total ER Contribution on Regular EE = 19.57%
      - Total ER Contribution on GF RRTW = 15.10%

<u>Teachers</u>



## State/Teacher Plan and Retirees Returned to Work (RRTW)

- Retirees Returned to Work (RRTW)
  - 'Same Employer'
  - State/Teacher vs. PLD
- Always check with MainePERS

Pre-Retirement Employer	Post-Retirement Employer	"Same Employer"?
State Employees (all branches) and Teacher Members	State/Teacher	Yes
	Consolidated PLD	No
	Non-Consolidated PLD	No

Pre-Retirement Employer	Post-Retirement Employer	"Same Employer"?	
	State/Teacher	Yes	
Legislative or Judicial Retirement Program	Consolidated PLD	No	
Rearenter regram	Non-Consolidated PLD	No	
	Consolidated PLD	Yes	
Consolidated PLD	Non-Consolidated PLD	No	
	State/Teacher	No	
	SAME - Non Consolidated PLD	Yes	
	ANOTHER - Non-Consolidated PLD	No	
Non-Consolidated PLD	Consolidated PLD	No	
	State/Teacher	No	



## **Membership Application**

- 'Forms' Section
  - 'Application for Membership' (CL-0102)
- <u>'Submission of Membership Application'</u>
  - MainePERS Website: Employers > Employer Self Service Guides > Quick Reference Guide
- Form Inconsistencies
  - State: ME (2 letter abbreviation)
  - Auto-fill
  - Member Demographic Issues (DOB, SSN, etc.)
  - Teacher Plan: Adult Education (Y0210)
    - No Prior Basis Contact MainePERS

Change in Member Employment	PLD	Teacher	State
1. ER LOC: Employer Location	Yes	Yes	Not required for a department/ agency transfer only
2. RSN: Rate Schedule Number <sup>1</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes
3. POS: Position Code	Yes	Changing to special codes <sup>2</sup>	No
4. PSC: Personnel Status Change Code	Yes	ONLY when changing to RRTW (53)	ONLY when changing to RRTW (53)
5. Plan Class Code <sup>3</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes



## **Membership Application**

- Member Demographics
- Membership Election
  - "I wish to join..."
  - <u>Retiree Returned to Work (RRTW)</u>
- Optional Membership Only
  - Choose Corresponding Option
- Employer Demographics
- Membership/Employment Details
- Form Sign-Off
  - Submit in ESS
  - Paper Copy: Employer Back-up

P.O. Box 349 Augusta, ME 04332-0349 Telephone: (207) 512-3100 Toll-free: 1-800-451-9800 Fax: (207) 512-3101 Maine Relay: 711	APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP	
TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYEE       Gender:       Male       Female       Non-Binary         Member's Name:       (Prefix)       (First)       (MI)         Social Security Number:       Date of Birth:       Gender:       Email Address:         Mailing       Male       Female       Other         Mailing       Male       Gender:       Email Address:         (Street/ PO Box)       (City/Town)       (State)         I wish to join the Maine Public Employees Retirement System and understand that my application and MainePERS laws and rules. I agree to deductions from my compensation at the rate required by Maine am participating. I hereby certify that all of the statements on this application are true and correct to the I         FOR THOSE WITH OPTIONAL. MEMBERSHIP ONLY. I do not wish to join the Maine Public Emgle       I am a MainePERS retirer entuming to work with an employer participating in the same plan from which TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER         Employer Location Code:       Employer Location Name:	Phone: [	
Membership Statu Date (mm/dd/yyyy):       If PLD eligibility is based on hours, total hours worked: in the last 12 consecutive months:         Inthe last 18 consecutive months:       in the last 18 consecutive months:         Title of Position:       Position Class Code:         Plan Class:       Personnel Status Code:         Rate Schedule:       Rate Schedule:         (See the MainePERS payroll manual for explanation of codes.)         Employee is       by Calendar Year (Jan- June)         by Fiscal Year (July- paid:       by School Year (Sept- June)         Is employee electing not to enroll at this time?       Yes         No       If "Yes" check ONE of the boxes in a - i explaining on what basis the employee declined membership or is electing not to enroll         a. Substitute teacher member       b. Elected or appointed official		
C. Maine Community College System employee electing to participate in an atternative pian provided by     d. Maine National Guard member who has been on active State service for more than 5 consecutive day     e. PLD employee in a position covered by a Social Security Section 218 agreement     f. Non-PST employee of a PLD electing to participate in an employer provided defined contribution or de     that meets the requirements of 5 MRSA §18252-B     g. Chief administrative officer of a PLD     h. PLD employee in the Consolidated Plan who is not subject to the Municipal Public Employees Labor I     i. Current employee of an entity on the date that it becomes a PLD     If your PLD has joined the defined contribution (401(a)) and/or deferred compensation (457) plan(s) offic     Consolidated Plan, does this employee participate in either of those plans? Yes No     The above information relating to present employment is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.     Certifying Official Signature	Relations Law red through the PLD	
Print/ Typed Name Phone	E-mail	
NOTE: In accordance with the Personal Privacy Protection Law, you are hereby advised that pursuant to the Retirement and Social Security Law, the Retirement System is required to maintain member records. The records are necessary to determine eligibility for and calculation of benefits. Failure to provide information may result in ineligibility for benefits. The System may provide certain information to your employer. PLEASE RETAIN A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS		

## MainePERS Coding

- 'Electronic Payroll Filing (EPF) Manual'
  - Appendices, Page 32 39
    - MainePERS Website: Employers > Employer Self Service Guides > ESS Manuals & Guides
- 'Plan Class'
  - PLD: Varies by Employer (i.e. 110AC, 3102C, etc.)
  - State/Teacher Plan
- 'POS': Position Code
  - Plan Specific (Teacher vs. PLD vs. School Support PLD)
- 'PSC': Personnel Status Code
  - Contributing Member vs. Retiree Returned to Work (RRTW/RRTW2)





## MainePERS Coding

- 'RSN': Rate Schedule Number or Rate Category
  - PLD: Age 60 vs. Age 65 Plan
    - PLD Participation date prior to 07/01/2014
  - Determines expected contribution rate for member or employer
    - Contribution Rates Updated Annually on July 1st
    - PLD
      - EE & ER Rates subject to change Annually
    - State/Teacher
      - EE Set by Statute
      - ER Updated Annually
  - Retiree Returned to Work (RRTW)
    - PLD: 10/02/2018 5% UAL (RRTW2)



### Contract Year

Employee is paid: by Calendar Year (Jan-Dec) by Fiscal Year (July-June) by School Year (Sept-Aug)  by School Year (Aug-July)



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# Employer Self-Service Navigation Part 1

MainePERS Employer Training

## **Employer Payroll Report and Payment Due Dates**

- Employer Payroll Report and Payment Due Dates
  - 15<sup>th</sup> of following month
    - MainePERS Website: Employers > Employer Reporting
- "How soon can I upload my file?"
  - First day, following last pay date for month
- Monthly Payroll Reminders from MainePERS
  - Payroll Due Reminder
  - Late Payroll/Payment Reminder
  - Seven Day Late Payroll/Payment Reminder
    - Collection Referral to MainePERS Accounting and Finance Unit

#### **Employer Reporting**

#### Payroll Filing

MainePERS requires most employers to report employee payroll information on a monthly basis. The due date for monthly employer payroll filings is the fifteenth day of the month following the payroll filing period being reported. This due date applies to the Monthly Payroll Detail Filing and the applicable payment. Payments should be made electronically by the applicable due date. Chapter 201 of the MainePERS Rules provides for interest to be assessed on delinquent payments.

#### Employer Payroll Report and Payment Due Dates

Employer payroll reports and payments are due no later than 15 days after the end of each month. The due date is advanced to the next business day in instances when the 15th of the month falls on a weekend or holiday. **On-time reporting and payment are required, in order to be in compliance with Internal Revenue Service regulations.** The following are the payroll report and payment due dates for 2022:

Covered Month	Due Date
January	February 15. 2022
February	March 15, 2022
March	April 15, 2022
April	May 16, 2022
Мау	June 15, 2022
June	July 15, 2022
July	August 15, 2022
August	September 15, 2022
September	October 17, 2022
October	November 15, 2022
November	December 15, 2022
December	January 17, 2023



## Payroll Work Report

- "What is a Payroll Work Report?"
- Manual Entry or Electronic (EPF)
  - Quick Reference Guides
    - <u>EPF</u>
    - <u>Manual</u>
  - Manual Filer Column Headings
- Resources
  - MainePERS Website: Employers > Employer Self Service > Guides > ESS Manuals & Guides
    - <u>'Employer Self-Service User Guide'</u>
    - <u>'Electronic Payroll Filing Manual'</u>
    - <u>'Employer Self- Service Validation Guide for</u> <u>Electronic Payroll Filing'</u>
    - <u>'Employer Self-Service Validation Guide for</u> <u>Manual Payroll Filing'</u>
- Creating Monthly Work Report Shell


#### Payroll Work Report

- Payroll Work Report Sections
  - Header
  - Details
  - Summary
- Member Demographics
  - Name
  - SSN & DOB
- Earnable Compensation
- Employee Contribution (EES) Details

#### Examples of earnable compensation:

- Regular wages/Contract Salary
- Workers' compensation payments
- Retroactive payments for back wages due to reclassifications, or pay increases delayed due to bargaining, EXCEPT payments made to former employees' in any year that is after the year they retired in
- Contributions (on the gross amount) to Deferred Compensation/Defined Contribution plans or other Tax Sheltered Annuities – Employer paid into this for the employee.
- Stipends for eligible duties (contact Retirement Services for a determination)
- Overtime Pay
- Shift Differential Pay
- Longevity provided that it is either paid annually or as an increase to the member's hourly rate. Longevity payments that are made on a one-time basis after a certain number of years of service are <u>not</u> considered earnable compensation. For instance, if employees are paid a one-time payment of \$500.00 after 10 years of service, the payment is not earnable compensation.

#### Examples of payments that are not earnable compensation

- Vacation and/or sick leave cash-ins that are paid at any time other than immediately prior to retirement
- Comp. time cash-ins paid at any time
- Interest paid on retroactive payments
- > Stipends for ineligible duties (contact Retirement Services for a determination)
- Payments for expense reimbursements or meal allowances, clothing allowances, phone allowances or vehicle allowances
- > Payments from a sick leave bank or from accruals donated to a member by other employees
- Any type of bonus or incentive payments including lump sum bonus payments made for recruitment and retention or a contact signing bonus
- Cash paid in lieu of benefits
- Administrative Leave Pay
- Any other payment that is not for services rendered or that is not paid at the time services are rendered

When in doubt, check it out! Call Retirement Services at 1-800-451-9800 for a determination.



#### Payroll Work Report, continued

- Additional Payroll Details
  - (Base) Rate of Pay
  - Pay Rate Code
  - Full-Time Equivalent Details
    - 'What is Full Time Equivalent?'
- 'Wage Averaging' (Teacher Plan and School Support Only)
  - <u>'Wage Payment Option Reporting & Contribution</u>
     <u>Payment'</u>
  - Hourly or Daily Employees
  - Base Rate of Pay









# **Break Time!**

### **Employer Account Details**

- 1. 'Account Tab'
- 2. Account Activity
  - 'Transaction History'
- 3. Activity Filter
- 4. Action Buttons
  - 'Upload File'
    - DC Contribution
    - EPF Contribution
    - GLI Level
  - 'File History'
  - <u>Schedule Payment</u> (EFT)
  - 'Payment History '
    - EFT Only

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#### Electronic File Upload & 'File History'

- 'Account' Tab
  - 'Upload File'
    - 'EPF Contribution'
    - File Name Format: 'P0999 July 2020 Payroll', 'TSABC 08/2020 Payroll, etc.
  - 'File History'
    - File Definition
    - Status
    - Date Range

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#### Stage 1: Pre-Validation

- 'Loaded with Errors'
  - Automatically Voids Upload
  - Must upload New File



As Of Date: 12/15/2020

Page 1 of 1

Error Message

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Generated On: 12/15/2020 13:47:25

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**Detail Record Status** 

Error

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Sort By:

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Detailed Record Status:

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#### 'Not Processed'

- File format accepted
- Needs Validation

#### Standard Import Report

- What is the 'Standard Import Report'?
  - "Exception Report" or "Error Report"
- Detailed Breakdown of File Data by Employee
- Relation to EPF User Guides



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## Filtering the Standard Import Report

- Select Parameters for Filtering
  - Detail Record Status
    - Errors/Validated with Errors
    - Exceptions/Validated with Exceptions
  - Datastring View
    - 'Detail' not 'Summary'

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- Pop-up Blocker
  - Disable for mainepers.org





- Stage 2: Validation
  - 'Validated with Errors'
    - Identify Errors
      - Standard Import Report
      - EPF Manual & Validation Guide
    - Corrected within ESS
      - Payroll File Details
      - 'View Row' Tool
      - Re-validate
    - Repeat process until Errors are cleared
    - Cannot validate file without corrections

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- Stage 2: Validation
  - 'Validated with Exceptions'
    - Identify Exceptions
      - Must be reviewed every month before processing
      - Standard Import Report
      - EPF Manual & Validation Guide
    - Corrected within ESS
      - Payroll File Details
      - 'View Row' Tool
      - Re-validate
    - Repeat process until correctable
       Exceptions are cleared
      - Some exceptions will not require action
    - Failure to review an correct exceptions may result in additional adjustments if not addressed prior to final submission

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- Stage 3: Post-Validation
  - 'Validated Successfully' or 'Validated with Exceptions'
    - Manual Filer: 'Initial Status'
    - Errors & Exceptions
      - Identified, reviewed & corrected
    - Ready for Final Submission/Processing
      - Editing and Voiding of File still allowed

#### Payroll Pay Dates & 'Transaction Date'

- Same as Last Payroll Date
- 'Voiding' an Uploaded File
  - Any file prior to final submission may be voided
  - Do not 'Void' while in process







### Final Work Report Submission and Remittance Report

- Stage 4: Submission and Remittance
  - Submit File to MainePERS
    - Electronic Payroll Filer
    - Manual Filer

#### View 'Due Amounts'

Optional

#### Remittance Report

- 'Reports' Tab
  - 'Employer Remittance Report'
- Date: 1<sup>st</sup> of month
- Based on Work Report Submission
- Save as .pdf

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Name:	WALLACE, AMBEI	R				
SSN:	999770002					
<u>Tools</u>	Fund	Amount	Job Category	Start Date	Stop Date	Member %
	EEC	\$407.60				
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	SCP Payments	\$0.00	REG1	07/01/2020	06/30/2021	0
	ERC	\$560.08				
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	Administrative Revenue	\$0.00				
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## **Additional Considerations**

- Adding a member/employee to a Payroll Work Report
  - Electronic Filer (EPF)
    - Adjustment
    - Contact MainePERS for Manual Entry of Employee Data
    - How to add a member to an Electronic Payroll File
  - Manual Filer
    - Add in Employer Self-Service (ESS)
- Deleting a member/employee off from a Payroll Work Report
  - Completed in Employer Self-Service (ESS)







### Grant (Federal) Funded Monies

- Teacher Plan ONLY
- Rates
  - MainePERS Website: Employers > Employer Rates & Rate Setting > Teachers
- <u>Reporting Grant Funded Money to</u> <u>MainePERS</u>
  - Transmitted via Payroll File
  - Basis Summary
  - Retirees Returned to Work
- Grant Funding Adjustments







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# Employer Self-Service Navigation Part 2

MainePERS Employer Training

#### Payment to MainePERS

- EFT Transition Deadline: December 31, 2020
  - Mandatory switch to Electronic Funds Transfer
- Electronic Funds Transfer
  - ACH Credit vs. ACH Debit
    - ACH Debit: Entered in ESS
    - ACH Credit: Send email to Account Associate and accounting@mainepers.org
- <u>'Scheduling an Electronic Funds Transfer</u>
   <u>Payment'</u>
  - MainePERS Website: Employers > Employer Self Service Guides
- Credits on Employer Account





### Payroll Work Report Adjustments

- "How do I know if an adjustment is required?"
  - Initiated by Employer
  - Initiated by MainePERS
  - MainePERS Employer Reporting Assistance Program
- Submitting a Work Report Adjustment
  - Employer Self-Service (ESS): 'Forms' Section
    - Single Employee Payroll Adjustment Form
    - Multiple Member Payroll Adjustment Form
- 'Quick Reference for Adjustments'
  - <u>Single</u>
  - <u>Multiple</u>





## Completing and Submitting Adjustment

- ER Code & ER Location Auto Populate
- Social Security Number and Name Required
- Payroll Identifier 06/2020, or 08/19, etc.
- Original Row vs. New Row
  - 'Comp' Earnable Compensation
  - 'EES' Employee Contributions
  - 'Hours' or 'Days'
  - 'Pay Rate Code', 'POS', 'PSC' and 'Plan Class'
  - 'RSN/Rate Category'
  - 'Payback/SCP'
  - 'FTE Days', 'FTE Hours', 'Weeks/Yr' and 'FTE Contract'
- Comments Section & Final Submission





### Adjustment Form Examples

- Example 1
  - Single Employee Payroll Adjustment Form
    - Entered Correctly

- Example 2
  - Multiple Employee Payroll Adjustment Form
    - Adding/Deleting a Member



- Example 3
  - Single Employee Payroll Adjustment Form
    - Entered Incorrectly



#### 'Documents' and 'Roster' Tab

- 'Documents' Tab
  - Monthly Group Life Insurance (GLI) Bill, if applicable
  - Age 60/65 NRA Roster PLD Only
  - 'Green Sheets' PLD Only
- 'Roster' Tab
  - List of all Reported Members
    - Active or Terminated
  - Member Contract Details
  - Member Demographics





#### 'Forms' Tab

- Forms in Progress
  - 'Save as Draft'
- Submitted Forms
  - Back to 2011
- Online Forms
  - Personnel Status Change Form (PSC Form)
  - Vacation/Sick Leave Form
  - Employer Preliminary Benefit Certification Form (ER PB Cert Form)
  - Member/Benefit Recipient Data Update Form





#### Personnel Status Change Form

- AKA 'PSC Form'
  - Teacher/PLD Employers
  - 'Save as Draft'
  - 1. Member Demographics
    - Name, SSN, DOB
    - ER Code & Location: Auto-Fill
  - 2. Leave of Absence Begin or Return
    - LOA Dates: Begin & End
    - Reason for LOA
  - 3. Termination/Separation
    - Reason for Termination
    - EFFECTIVE DATE
      - Void if submitted prior to this date
  - 4. Certifying Signature
    - Auto-fill and Electronic Signature

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Termination/ Separation Reason: Terminated Employmen No longer eligible for G	nt Group Life Insurance	Separated from	n Membership	Deceased
EFFECTIVE DATE:				
Certifying Signature				
The above information is true and corr	ect to the best of my	knowledge.		
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#### Vacation/Sick Leave Form

• Submit at time of termination

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- 'Vacation & Sick Leave Reporting Form Instructions'
  - MainePERS Website: Employers > Employer Self Service Guides > ESS Manuals & Guides
- All employees, not just retirees

#### 1. Member Demographics

- Name, SSN, DOB
- ER Code & Location: Auto-Fill

#### 2. Final Pay Information

- Date of Last Paycheck
- Regular Pay: Total for Month or Bi-Weekly Pay
- Other Pay: Stipends, Longevity Pay, etc.
- RRTW Leave Accruals
- 3. Vacation/Sick Leave Payment
  - Vacation/Sick Leave accruals not report on payroll
- 4. Accrued Leave Information
  - Prior to any payment
    - Accrued Vacation Time, Days or Hours
    - Accrued Sick Time, Days or Hours
- 5. Teacher Member Information, if applicable
  - 180 days or 7 hours, for example
- 6. Certifying Signature
  - Auto-fill and Electronic Signature

	P.O. Box 349 Augusta, ME 04332-0349 Telephone: (207) 512-3100 Toll-free: 1-800-451-9800 Fax: (207) 512-3101 Maine Relay: 711
L	Employee
2	Final Pay Information         Date of last paycheck:         Regular Earnings:         Vacation Pay:         Sick Leave Pay:         Sick Leave Pay:         Other Pay (Describe):         Other Pay (Describe):         Total Final Pay Reported to MainePERS:
ŀ	Accrued Leave Information Total accrued vacation before any payment: #
5	Teacher Member Information (complete this section for Teacher members only)         How many days per year are prescribed for the position held by this employee?         If this employee is paid hourly, how many hours per day does this employee work?
5	Certifying Signature         I certify that the above is the true and correct representation of the final earnable compensation, as defined in 5 MRSA \$17001 Sec. 13. I recognize that any misrepresentation or omission may result in the delay of the payment of retirement benefits to this employee, and legal action as permitted by statute.         T MainePERS       09/02/2020         Certifying Official Signature       Date         T MainePERS       Date         Print/ Typed Name       Phone
	Form #: C1-0050 Rev. 1/16

#### **Employer Preliminary Benefit Certification Form &** Member/Benefit Recipient Data Update Form

	Employer Preliminary Benefit Certification Form	
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The Maine Public Employees Retirement System (MainePERS) is processing a retirement benefit for one of your former employees. Because we do not currently have all of the information required to finalize their benefit amount, we would like to begin paying them on a preliminary basis. To do so, we need the following information.	Employee Termination Date	Former Member/ Benefit Recipient Name: (Prefix) (First) (MI) (Last) (Suffix)
Complete the form as soon as possible after your former employee's termination date. Thank you.	Last Day in Pay Status	Social Security Date of Birth: Date of Birth:
Employee Information Employee Prefix First MI Last Suffix	Submission Date	Home Telephone     Daytime Telephone       Number:     Number:
Social Security Number: Date of Birth:		New Crefix (First) (MI) (Last) (Suffix)
Employee Termination Date:	Member/Benefit	Address Change/ Correction New Mailing Address: (Address Line 1)
Employer Location Code: P0290	Recipient Data Update	(Address Line 2)
Employer Location Name:         Maine Public Employees Retirem           Certification of Workers' Compensation Benefits and/or         Sick Bank/Donated Time	Form	(City/Town) (State) (ZIP) Effective Date of Change:
I certify that, at termination, the above named       does       does not receive Workers' Compensation benefits.         employee:       has       has not received Sick Leave Bank/Donated Time.         Certifying Signature       The above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.	Name Changes	To be signed by either the Member/Benefit Recipient or the Employer. Only ONE signature is required.          09/02/2020       Member/Benefit Recipient)         (Date)       Member/Benefit Recipient Name (please print)         09/02/2020       T MainePERS
Signature of Employer's Certifying Official: T MainePERS Date: 09/02/2020 Print or Type Name and Title of Certifying Official: Form #CL-0055	Address Changes	(Signature of Employer) (Date) Employer Certifying Official (please print) P0290 (Employer Location Code) (Employer Phone Number) Form #MA-0002
Nev. 6216	Effective Date	Rex 01/15

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# Survivor Services and Group Life Insurance

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#### Survivor Services Unit – Survivor Benefits

- Pre-Retirement Death Benefits
  - Defined Benefit Plan
- Designating a Pre-Retirement Beneficiary
  - 'Designation of Beneficiary Pre-Retirement Death Benefits' (CL-0722)
  - <u>'Information Regarding Designation of Beneficiary Pre-Retirement</u>
     <u>Death Benefits' (CL-0722A)</u>
    - MainePERS Website: Forms & Resources > Employer Forms
- Must be on file at MainePERS to be valid
  - Electronic Signature Now Permitted
    - DocuSign
  - Can be faxed or scanned and emailed
  - Regular Mail





#### Survivor Services Unit – Group Life Insurance

- Eligibility
  - Full-Time, Permanent Part-time
- Effective Coverage Date
  - 1<sup>st</sup> of the month following 30 days in an eligible position
  - Exception to rule: February 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Application should be dated the date the member signed the form
- Designation of GLI Beneficiary
  - Separate designation from Pre-Retirement Beneficiary
  - <u>'Designation of Beneficiary Group Life Insurance'</u>
    - MainePERS Website: Forms & Resources > Employer Forms
  - Must be on file at MainePERS to be valid
- Additional GLI Forms
  - Evidence of Insurability DocuSign
- GLI Levels
  - Upload to ESS Annually, in April
  - Full Numbers (No decimal)
    - For example \$41,125 (41125) round up to \$42,000





#### Survivor Services Unit – Group Life Insurance

#### • Monthly GLI Bill & Payment

- 'Documents' Tab
  - 1<sup>st</sup> of each month for prior month
- Employees on LOA
  - Potential Member Direct Billing
  - Unpaid Premiums
    - Suspension/Cancellation of Policy
- Printing Issues
  - Contact MainePERS for assistance
- Due 15<sup>th</sup> of same month
  - i.e. August 2020 bill due September 15, 2020
- Payment via EFT in ESS
  - Same process as DB Work Report and Adjustment payments

Maine PERS	Group Life Premiums				
		Employer Location	n Code: P0290 GLI 2941490		
		Date Issued:	09/01/2020		
		Period Covered: ()	8/01/2020 - 08/31/2020		
Maine Public Employees Retirement System P.O. Box 349 139 Capitol Street Augusta, ME 04332	I	Remit By:	09/15/2020		
Previous Balance			\$ 0.00		
Current Active Premiums					
	Basic	\$ 3,091.20			
	Supplemental	\$ 1,004.41			
	Dependent	\$ 107.70			
	Total Active Pren	niums	\$ 4,203.31		
Current Retiree Premiums			\$ 1,476.23		
Total Amoun	t Due:		\$ 5,679.54		
Questions concerning this Invoice should be addres email at survivo	sed with Survivor S rservices@mainepe	ervices by phone at ers.org	: 1-800-451-9800 or by		
Yease remit no later than 09/15/2020 to:	MainePERS PO Box 349 Augusta, ME 04	1332-0349			

### Survivor Services Unit – Group Life Insurance

- Adjustments
  - Second page of GLI Bill
    - Submit more than one if necessary
  - Reasons
    - Terminations
      - Bill for entire month
    - Leaves of Absence (LOA)
      - Beginning and Ending
    - Other
      - Overpayment of Dependent Premium
  - Information Needed
    - Affected Employee Name
    - Reason for Adjustment
    - Adjustment Amount
  - Amount Enclosed
    - Total Due + Adjustments

dentifier: GLI 2941490		
mployer Location Code :	Maine Public Employees Retirement System	Total Amount Due: \$5,679.54
Adjustments		
Employee Name	Reason for Adjustment	Adjustment Amount
Example: John Smith Jane Smith	Added dependent coverage Canceled dependent coverage	\$10 -\$10
	Amount Enclosed should equal 1	int Enclosed: Fotal Amount Due + Adjustments
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#### Survivor Services & Group Life Insurance Unit

Business Unit Phone: (207) 512-3244 Business Unit Email: <u>Survivor.Services@mainepers.org</u>

- Business Unit Leader
  - Stacey Beckim
- Account Associate
  - Nicole Cote



- George Boff
- Account Representative
  - Elle Jones





# Training Agenda

- 1. Employer Reporting Unit and MainePERS Background
- 2. Accessing Employer Self-Service (ESS)
- 3. Understanding Eligibility and Enrollment
- 4. Navigating Employer Self-Service Part 1
- 5. Navigating Employer Self-Service Part 2
- 6. Survivor Services and Group Life Insurance (GLI)
- 7. Additional MainePERS Contacts





#### MainePERS Employer Training

<u>Questions?</u> <u>Comments?</u>

Thank you for attending!



# Additional MainePERS Contacts

MainePERS Employer Training

## **Employer Auditing Program**

#### **Employer Auditing Team Members**

Payroll Compliance Auditor

- Accounting Manager
  - Jennifer Lidback
    - (207) 512-3322
    - Jennifer.lidback@mainepers.org
- Employer Reporting Assistance Specialist
  - NA

- Donna Audette
  - (207) 512-3380
  - <u>Donna.audette@mainepers.org</u>


## Disability Unit

- Disability Retirement
  - Employee Questions?
    - Refer to Disability Unit
- Website Resources
  - MainePERS Website: Home > While Working> Disability Retirement
    - Disability FAQ's
    - Disability Forms
      - In order to apply, contact MainePERS
        Disability Specialist



- Disability Unit Contact Information
  - Phone: (207) 512-3170
  - Email: disability@mainepers.org



## **Retirement Services Unit**

### Business Unit Phone: (207) 512-3158 **Business Unit Email:** Retirement.Services@mainepers.org



- Participating Local District (PLD) Unit
  - PLD@mainepers.org
  - David Jones, *Business Unit Leader* 
    - Phone: (207) 512-3151
    - Email: <u>David.Jones@mainepers.org</u>
  - Deanna Doyle, PLD Plan Administrator
    - Phone: (207) 512-3131
    - Email: <u>Deanna.Doyle@mainepers.org</u>

#### Teacher Unit

- Teacher@mainepers.org
- Alex Rand, Business Unit Leader
  - Phone: (207) 512-3163
  - Email: Alex.Rand@mainepers.org
- State Unit
  - <u>State@mainepers.org</u>
  - Steven Smith, Business Unit Leader
    - Phone: (207) 512-3353
    - Email: <u>Steven.Smith@mainepers.org</u>



## Social Security and MainePERS

# <u>Social Security Benefits and</u> <u>MainePERS Benefits</u>

- MainePERS Website: Home > Forms & Resources
  > Forms > Member Forms
- Windfall Elimination Provision
  - MainePERS Website: Home > Before You Join > Windfall Elimination Provisions and Government Pension Offset
- MainePERS Contact
  - Quinn Collins, System Representative
    - Phone: (207) 512-3266
    - Email: <u>quinn.collins@mainepers.org</u>



