



Application for Military Service Credit

IMRF Form 6.02J (Rev. 02/2015)

If you have any questions, call 1-800-ASK-IMRF (275-4673)

- The purchase of military service for public employees is a benefit designed to partially compensate veterans for their service in the Armed Forces.
- Any converted military service credit is applied toward the calculation of a member's IMRF benefits.
- **Member cost and other requirements differ under each law.** Please read the following information carefully to determine if you are eligible to establish military service credit under one of the following laws.
- If member contributions and interest are required, IMRF will mail you a payment schedule after your application is received and your cost is calculated.
- *Establishing service as Elected County Official (ECO) Service:* To establish ECO service, the member must have previously participated, or be currently participating, in IMRF under the ECO plan. The member must also have IMRF Form 6.21B, "Election to Contribute under the ECO Plan" on file with IMRF, and the county under which the member opted to participate in ECO must have a standing resolution on file allowing such participation. (**NOTE:** Only members under the *Original* ECO plan may establish military service credit as ECO service. Members of the *Revised* ECO plan may convert their military service credit only to Regular service credit.)
- When submitting this form, you should also request formal pension estimates with and without the additional service credit by submitting IMRF Form BF-20, "Pension Estimate Request." Request Form BF-20 by calling 1-800-ASK-IMRF (275-4673) or by downloading the form from www.imrf.org. You can also request a **Formal Pension Estimate** through your IMRF Member Access account.

| | UNDER ILLINOIS LAW | | UNDER FEDERAL LAW |
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| | MILITARY SERVICE EARNED BEFORE IMRF PARTICIPATION OR DID NOT RETURN TO IMRF WITHIN 90 DAYS | MILITARY LEAVE INTERRUPTED IMRF PARTICIPATION AND RETURNED TO IMRF WITHIN 90 DAYS | MILITARY LEAVE INTERRUPTED IMRF PARTICIPATION AND RETURNED TO SAME EMPLOYER |
| Member participation as related to military leave | Military leave can have occurred at any time, even prior to first date of participation in IMRF. | Must have participated in IMRF before and after military leave; can participate with different IMRF employers. Must return to IMRF participating employment within 90 days of discharge. | Must participate in IMRF before and after military leave with the same IMRF employer. Return to work requirement varies. |
| Member's current participation | Must be currently participating in IMRF. | Must be participating in IMRF or in another retirement system covered by the Reciprocal Act. | Must be participating in IMRF or in another retirement system covered by the Reciprocal Act. |
| Member cost If member has cost, IMRF will calculate your cost and send you a payment schedule. You may purchase the service credit in a lump sum or on a payment plan. | Member and "normal" employer contributions plus interest calculated from first date of participation in IMRF. Salary used to calculate cost is first salary earned as IMRF member. | Free | Member contributions plus interest calculated from the end of the military leave period. Salary used to calculate cost is the salary in effect when the military leave began. |
| Maximum number of years member can purchase | Two or four years, determined by employer resolution. | No maximum, but employer may limit by resolution. | Five years. |
| Military documentation | A copy of release order or military discharge must accompany this form. | A copy of release order or military discharge must accompany this form. | A copy of release order or military discharge must accompany this form. |
| Military pension | May still use the service in the computation of a pension or retirement pay from the U.S. government. | May not use the service in the computation of a pension or retirement pay from the U.S. government. | May still use the service in the computation of a pension or retirement pay from the U.S. government. |
| Employer resolution required? | Yes, covers all IMRF members under that employer. | Yes, covers all IMRF members under that employer. | No. |
| Employer cost | Through future employer rates. | Through future employer rates. | Through future employer rates. |

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PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE—USE BLACK INK

SECTION 1 — MEMBER INFORMATION

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| MEMBER'S LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | MIDDLE INITIAL | JR., SR., II, ETC. | IMRF MEMBER ID NUMBER |
| STREET (MAILING) ADDRESS | | | | CITY |
| STATE | | | | ZIP |
| DAYTIME TELEPHONE NO. (w/Area Code) | | | | () |

SECTION 2 — CURRENT EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

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| NAME OF CURRENT EMPLOYER | |
| NAME OF CURRENT RETIREMENT SYSTEM | OPTIONAL: ANTICIPATED RETIREMENT DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) |

SECTION 3 — IMRF COVERAGE INFORMATION

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| IF YOU PREVIOUSLY USED A DIFFERENT NAME, PLEASE INDICATE | DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) |
| LIST ALL FORMER IMRF EMPLOYERS | PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT (E.G., 9/1987 - 3/1996) |
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CHECK ONE (Refer to instructions on previous page.)

I am converting my military service to IMRF service credit under the following designation:

Military leave prior to IMRF participation OR leave interrupted IMRF participation, but did not return within 90 days of discharge and/or the employer has not adopted 6.62 Resolution.

- Illinois law:** Service credit during military leave as provided by Public Acts 90-0488 and 95-0486. Employer has filed resolution (IMRF Form 6.63 or 6.63A) with IMRF.

Military leave **interrupted** IMRF participation.

- Illinois law:** Service credit during military leave as provided by the Illinois Pension Code. Employer has filed resolution (IMRF Form 6.62 or 6.62A) with IMRF. Converting military service under the provisions of the Illinois Pension Code, means that **this service will not be used in the computation of a pension or retirement pay from any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States.**

- Federal law:** Service credit during military leave as provided by the Uniformed Services Employment and Re-employment Rights Act. No employer resolution required.

CERTIFICATION BY MEMBER

I certify that I entered the Armed Forces of the United States on _____ and I completed duty

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

on _____. I began IMRF participation on _____.

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

I have attached documentation from the military attesting to the validity of the dates of my military service.

CHOOSE ONE (See instructions for eligibility of ECO or SLEP Plan.)

I wish to establish the service on this application as: Regular Service

Elected County Official Service—ECO (See instructions on first page.)

SLEP Service (Limitations may apply.)

MEMBER'S SIGNATURE

I have requested pension estimates with and without the additional service credit I need to purchase. (See instructions.)

X _____ DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

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| FOR USE BY IMRF | CALCULATED | AUDITED | SJE CODE | SERVICE GRANTED |
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