

things you need to know...



Musicians' Pension Fund
of Canada



Ineligible Pension Contributions

The Income Tax Act has been amended and this amendment will impact the eligibility of some pension contributions to the Musicians' Pension Fund of Canada (MPF Canada).

MPF Canada will no longer be able to accept pension contributions for work done by Pensioners/ Members after the year in which they turn 71 for:

- Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBA) which have a commencement date of January 1, 2022 or later,
- Miscellaneous/Freelance engagements taking place on or after January 1, 2022.

What this Change Means for MPF Canada

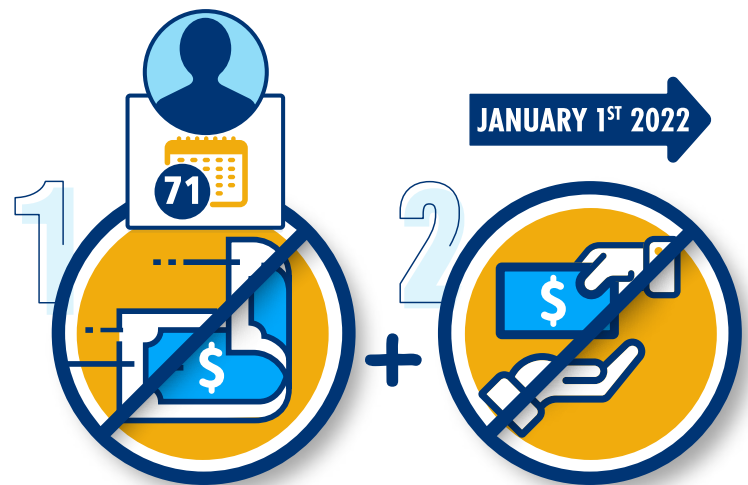
The Income Tax Act does not allow an individual to accrue further benefits under a registered pension plan (like the MPF Canada) after the end of the year in which they turn 71.

Previously, MPF Canada was permitted to keep pension contributions for Members over age 71 and they went to the benefit of the general fund and all Members.

Now, MPF Canada must return/refund all ineligible pension contributions.

All pension contributions to MPF Canada are treated as Employer contributions and are paid for by the Employers. Therefore, under the new rules, MPF Canada must return all ineligible contributions to the paying Employer.

MPF Canada will run an annual report to identify all ineligible contributions and refund/return them on an annual basis.



Does this apply to me?

It only applies to you if:

- You turned 71 or older in the prior calendar year AND
- You do pensionable work for an employer who makes contributions to the Fund under a CBA that came into effect on or after January 1, 2022 or for a miscellaneous/freelance type engagements taking place January 1, 2022 or later.

What should I do if ineligible contributions are being made on my behalf?

Ask your employer to stop remitting pension contributions on your behalf.

Make sure that the contract indicates that the pension is not being remitted due to *ineligible contribution* or *over age 71*.