



Firefighters' Pension Scheme Circular

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Title:	<i>FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION SCHEMES – CETV GUIDANCE</i>		
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Summary:	i) Revised guidance and factors from the Government Actuary on Statutory CETVs for transfers out of the FPS and NFPS ii) Guidance from the Public Sector Transfers Club and accompanying revised Club factors from the Government Actuary
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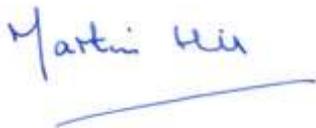
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1. GAD PRODUCED CASH EQUIVALENT TRANSFER VALUE GUIDANCE

- 1.1** Find attached revised guidance and factors for non-club transfers out of the FPS and NFPS. The guidance is for use in conjunction with the guidance previously issued for both schemes in June 2009 and April 2009 respectively (copies attached for convenience). The new factors can be used with immediate effect.
- 1.2** Factors for non-club transfers in and pension credit and debit calculations will follow and it is recommended that these calculations should continue to be suspended in the meantime.
- 1.3** Authorities will need to determine on a case by case basis whether to proceed with a non-club outward transfers where a quote was issued prior to the suspension of calculations announced in FPS Circular 4/2010.

2. CLUB TRANSFERS GUIDANCE AND REVISED FACTORS

- 2.1** Also attached are revised factors for Club transfers which come into effect from 1st October 2010. Also attached is associated guidance from Cabinet Office on transitional arrangements.
- 2.2** It may occasionally be the case that service credit on non-Club terms would be greater than service credit on Club terms, in which case the receiving scheme may award a non-Club service credit. In such cases, administrators should advise the individual accordingly.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Martin Hill". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal line.

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Dear Pension Scheme Manager

PUBLIC SECTOR TRANSFER CLUB REVISED CLUB FACTORS

As you will be aware, on 22 June the Chancellor announced that, from April 2011, public service pensions would increase in line with the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) rather than the Retail Prices Index (RPI). As a consequence, the Government Actuary's Department have produced revised Club transfer value factors to take account of this change. The new Club transfer factors come into effect from **1 October 2010**.

Attached to this letter are new Club factors for pension ages 55, 60 and 65.

If you require factors for other pension ages, and/or would like to receive the new tables electronically in Excel format, please e-mail me at

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These new factors will be incorporated into a revised Club Memorandum to be issued in the near future.

Please note: Club transfers out should be calculated using the issue factors in force on the day the calculation is carried out. Therefore calculations carried out on or after 1 October 2010 should use the new Club transfer value factors. For Club transfers in calculated on or after 1 October 2010, you need to use whichever issue of factors the sending scheme used to calculate the Club CETV. So, if the sending scheme used the pre-October 2010 factors to calculate the Club CETV, you must use the pre-October 2010 factors to calculate the Club service credit.

In general, because the changes to the factors affect both the Club CETV and the service credit calculations similarly, they will have very limited effects on the service credits awarded to members in the receiving scheme. However, the transfer amounts will be lower than using the current factors due to the change of indexation.

Yours sincerely



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Secretary, Public Sector Transfer Club

