

NEW FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION SCHEME: TAX REFERENCE

1. The Pension Scheme Tax Reference for the New Firefighters' Pension Scheme (NFPS) in England, Scotland and Wales is PSTR00677944RB. This is the reference that should be quoted in response to general enquiries concerning the new scheme or when reference is required in connection with transfers etc.
2. As with the old FPS, the new scheme is defined by HM Revenue and Customs as a split scheme with administration responsibilities devolved to individual Fire and Rescue Authorities who act as sub scheme administrators. We understand that HMRC have now registered the sub schemes and the sub scheme's tax reference will have "NFPS" appended to it to differentiate it from the old scheme. Scheme Administrator identification numbers and Scheme Administrator activation tokens have been posted out by HMRC this week.
3. If authorities encounter problems registering they can call the HMRC helpline on 0845 60 55 999 or e-mail to helpdesk@ir-efile.gov.uk. Further guidance on registration is available at the Registered Pensions Schemes Manual Scheme Administrator pages:

<http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/manuals/rpsmmanual/RPSM02306100.htm>
4. We are awaiting notification of the NFPS Contracting-out number (SCON) and confirmation of the arrangements for sub scheme administrators. We will issue a further guidance note and/or FPS circular as soon as the information is available.

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