






## Eligibility

To be eligible for the \$90 Special Benefit, you must meet the following requirements:

-  Be a Uniformed member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP).
-  Hired by MSHP in a benefit eligible position prior to January 1, 1995.
-  Employed by the Missouri State Highway Patrol or receiving Long-Term or Work-Related Disability on the day before the effective date of retirement.
-  Elect the Closed Plan at retirement.
-  Not be gainfully employed after retirement.

If you meet all of the criteria above, under Missouri Statute RSMo 104.090.2, you are eligible to receive an additional benefit of \$90.00 per month, plus cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs), until attaining the age of 65.

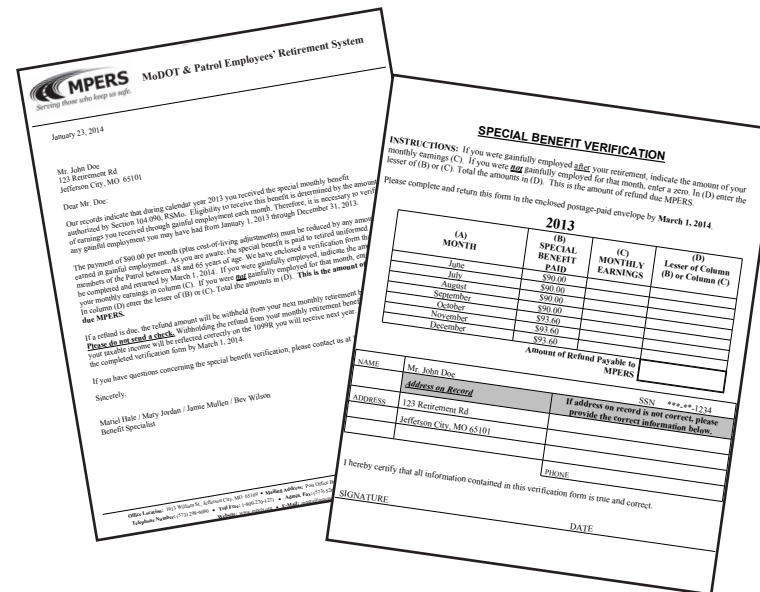
This Special Benefit amount will be reduced monthly by any amount earned during gainful employment.

Vested members who terminate employment prior to retirement are not eligible for this benefit.

## Annual Verification

Anyone who receives the Special Benefit will be required to complete a Special Benefit Verification form the following January. You will be asked to list any earnings you may have received for the months a Special Benefit was received.

We will also be cross-referencing your responses with reports received by employment security. You will have until March 1<sup>st</sup> to reply. If you chose not to reply, your benefit could be suspended until a response is received. Therefore, it is critical that you submit your paperwork to MPERS as soon as possible.









The image shows a letter from MPERS dated January 23, 2014, addressed to Mr. John Doe at 123 Retirement Rd, Jefferson City, MO 65101. The letter explains that Mr. Doe received a special monthly benefit of \$90.00 per month for 2013 and is now required to complete a Special Benefit Verification form for 2014. The form is attached and contains a table for reporting monthly earnings.

(A) MONTH	(B) SPECIAL BENEFIT PAID	(C) MONTHLY EARNINGS	(D) Lesser of Column (B) or Column (C)
June	\$90.00		
July	\$90.00		
August	\$90.00		
September	\$90.00		
October	\$90.00		
November	\$90.00		
December	\$90.00		

The form also includes fields for Name (Mr. John Doe), Address (123 Retirement Rd, Jefferson City, MO 65101), SSN (\*\*\*-\*\*-1234), and a section for the Signature and Date.

## Special Benefit Overview

-  By marking on your *Retirement Election Form* that you will not be gainfully employed, you will be automatically enrolled for the Special Benefit, if eligible.
-  It is your responsibility to notify MPERS when you become gainfully employed or end your employment.
-  MPERS payroll only accepts changes until the **15th** of each month, so be proactive and make sure to contact our office prior to that date.
-  MPERS will send you a form each January to verify your eligibility to receive your Special Benefit.
-  You will be responsible for the repayment of any Special Benefits received while ineligible.
-  The Special Benefit, and any COLAs earned on that amount, end the month following your 65th birthday.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		



## Starting/Stopping Your Benefit

### How Do You Start Your Special Benefit?

At retirement, while completing your *Retirement Election Form*, you were asked if you planned to be employed after retirement. If you marked "No", your Special Benefit will be included with your retirement benefit. If you are employed after retirement, contact MPERS to start your Special Benefit when you again leave employment.





MPERS MoDOT & Patrol Employees' Retirement System		Step 2:	
PO Box 1930 • Jefferson City, MO 65102-1930		Retirement Election Form	
Phone: (573) 289-6080 • (800) 270-1271		Fax: (573) 622-6111 • Email: mperes@mpers.org	
Website: www.mpers.org			
Member Information			
Social Security Number: ***-**-1234	Date of Retirement: 4/1/2014	Date of Birth: 10/19/58	Marital Status: Married
Name: (Last, First MI) Doe, John	Mailing Address: (Address, City, State, Zip Code) 123 Retirement Rd, Jefferson City, MO 65102		Spouse's DOB: 06/1/57
Home Phone: (888) 555-5555	Work Phone: ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( )	Cell Phone: (888) 123-4567	Email Address: john.doe@retirement.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Check box to receive MPERS correspondence by email			
<b>Uniformed Patrol Retirees Only:</b> Do you plan to be gainfully employed after retirement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Retirement Benefit Elections			
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Closed Plan</b> If you elect the Closed Plan, all elections must be made in this column. Only retirees who are married on the date of retirement may elect Options 1 & 2.		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Year 2000 Plan</b> If you elect the Year 2000 Plan, all elections must be made in this column. Only retirees who are married on the date of retirement may elect Options 1 & 2.	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Benefit Payment Option</b> Anyone may elect Options 3, 4, & 5: <input type="checkbox"/> #1: Unreduced Joint & 50% Survivor <input type="checkbox"/> #2: Joint & 100% Survivor <input type="checkbox"/> #3: Life Income Annuity		<input type="checkbox"/> #1: Joint & 50% Survivor <input type="checkbox"/> #2: Joint & 100% Survivor <input type="checkbox"/> #3: Life Income Annuity	

### When to Call MPERS?

If, after retirement, your employment status changes, contact MPERS immediately to stop or start your Special Benefit. If you do not call to have your Special Benefit stopped, you will have to pay it back!

### When Will Your Special Benefit Stop?

The following are reasons your Special Benefit will be discontinued:

-  Becoming gainfully employed
-  Attaining the age of 65
-  Suspension of retirement benefit
-  Death

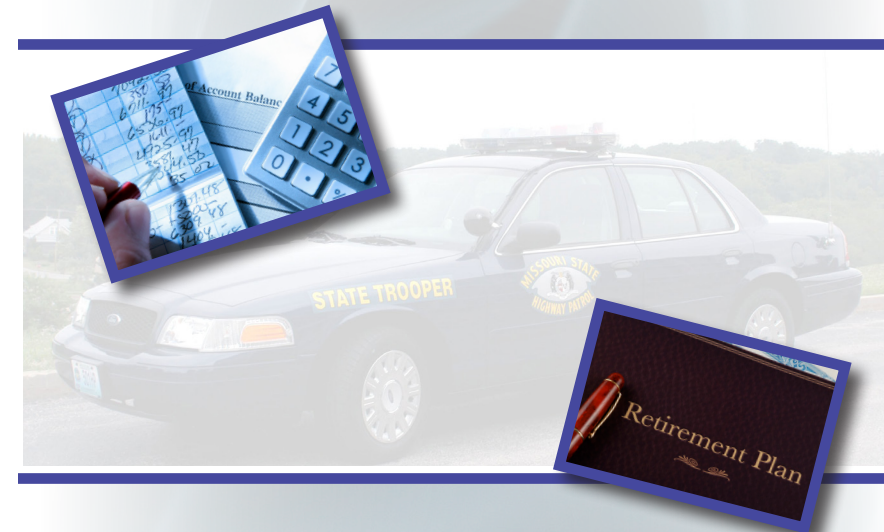
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# Special Benefit

(Applies to Uniformed Patrol Members of the Closed Plan hired prior to January 1, 1995)



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