

In-Year Reporting





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- 2. Termination
- 3. Reporting Non-Contributing Members
- 4. Pre-Retirement Death
- 5. Disability Leaves
- 6. Change of Employment

Retirement

Retirement eligibility

- DBprime members
 - Age 55 or over
 - Age 50 and 20 years of service
- DBplus members
 - Age 50 or over
- Members with both DBprime and DBplus
 - Age 50 or over

Retirement process

- 1. Employer completes the Pension Application via PAL
- CAAT calculates the member's pension and mails the retirement package directly to the member
- 3. The member returns their completed *Retirement Option Document* with any supporting documentation to CAAT via My Pension or by mail
- 4. CAAT sets up the member's monthly payment, and the member receives it for life

Retirement process – New in 2024

- 1. New portal option will launch in May 2024
- 2. Members will be able to manage their retirement options and related documents through My Pension
- 3. Employer will be able to track and received status updates via PAL

Retirement process

- Three months in advance of retirement date
 - Complete retirement process through PAL
- Refer to the payment schedule in the Employer Manual
 - Retirement > Pension processing dates
- Pension revision thresholds:
 - DBprime Threshold of \$150 for earnings
 - DBprime Two working days for service
 - DBplus Member and employer contributions of \$140

Reporting retroactive payments

- New retroactive payment (not related to Bill 124)
 - Include retroactive payment in the Pension Application
- Bill 124 retroactive payments
 - Revised Pension Application is not required
 - Pension is recalculated based on data provided in the retroactive payment files
- Revised Bill 124 retroactive payment or other pension revision
 - Submit a revised Pension Application

Vacation pay – DBprime members only

Vacation pay is given to a member for accrued vacation

- If requested by the member
 - Only vacation pay earned in the current benefit year may be pensionable at retirement

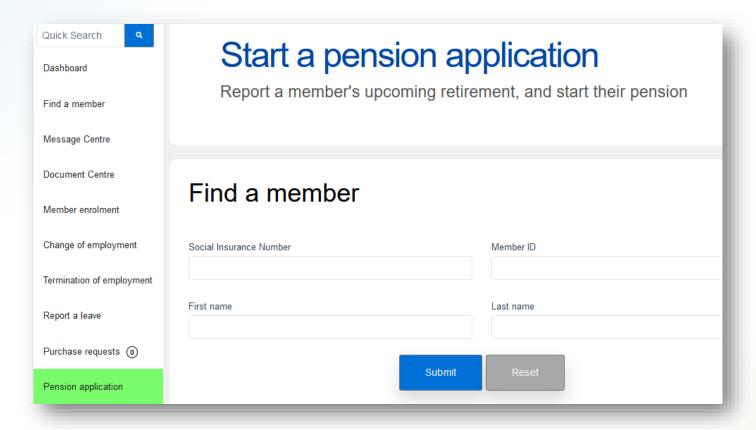
Last day worked and retirement date

Last day worked = last day for which a member is paid for their work with the employer

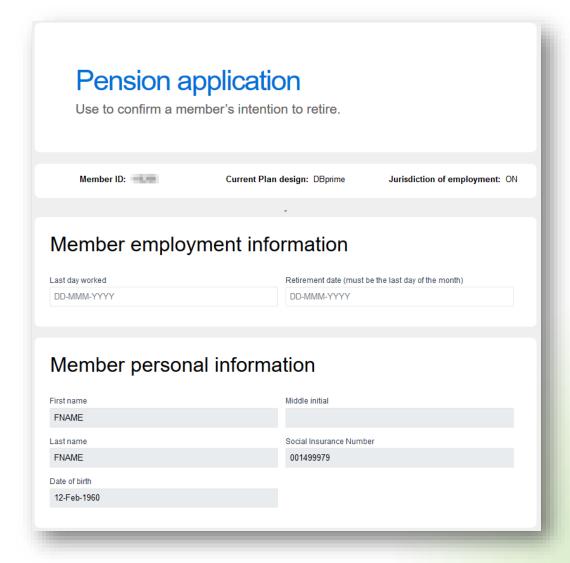
Retirement date = last day of the month in which a member last contributes to the Plan

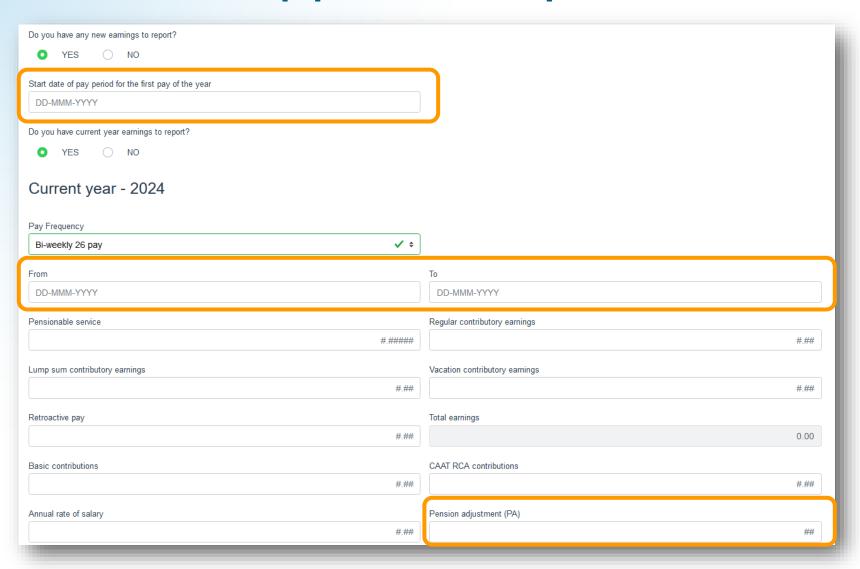
Member employment information		
Last day worked	Retirement date (must be the last day of the month)	
DD-MMM-YYYY	DD-MMM-YYYY	

Find the member and select Pension application

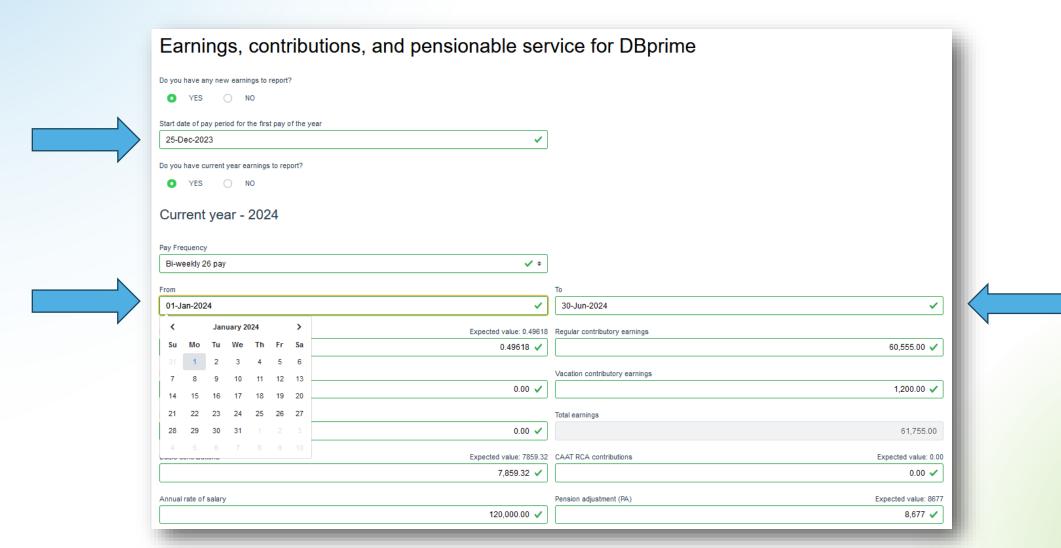


You will be directed to the **Pension application** page to complete the financial details for the member

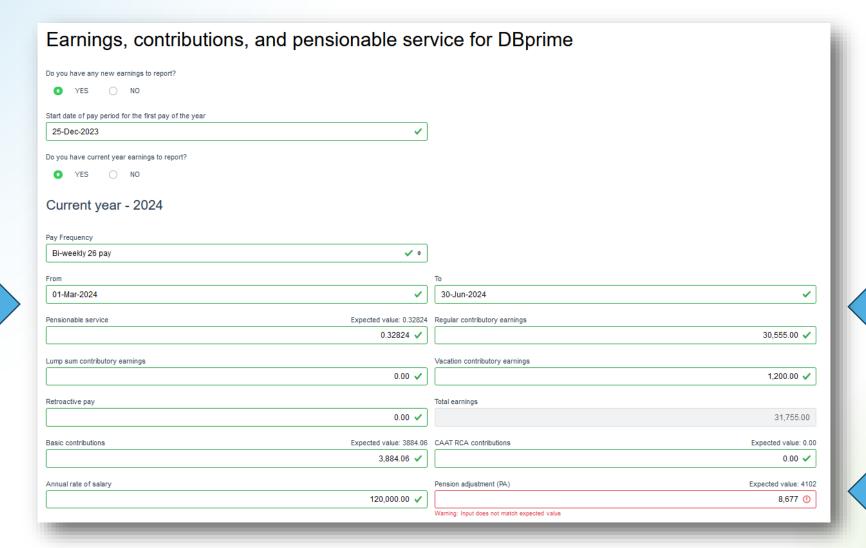




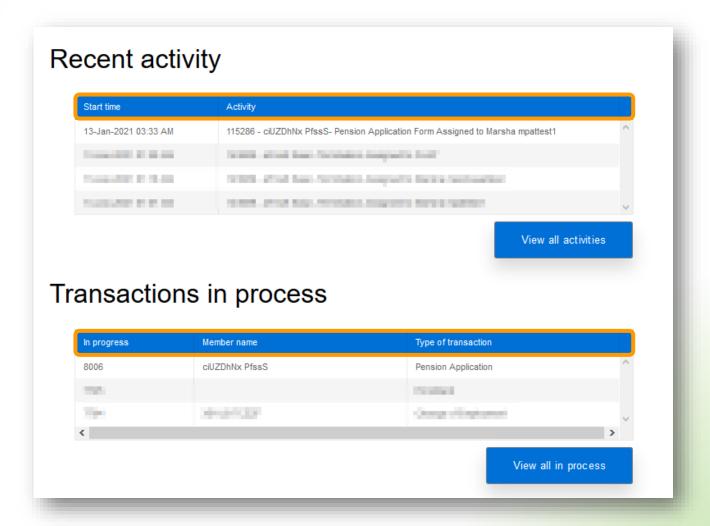
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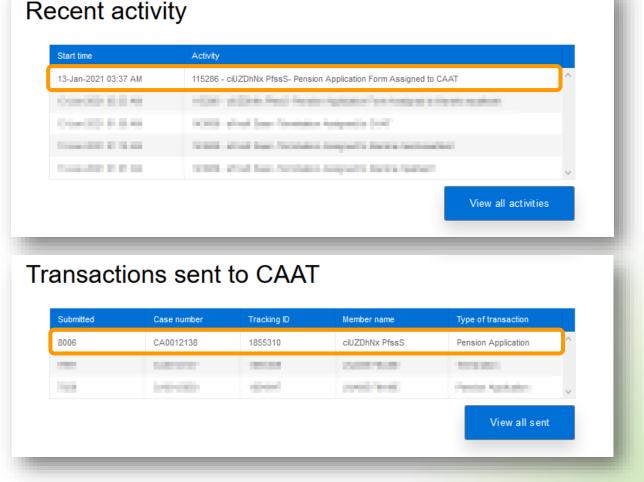


- Once the transaction is successfully saved, you will be redirected to the dashboard
- In the dashboard, you can view the transaction in both the Recent activity and Transactions in process sections
- Saved transactions in process are purged after 45 days



Pension application process – Submit

Once the transaction is submitted, you can view this submission on the dashboard under the Recent activity and Transactions sent to CAAT sections



Pension application process – Revision

- If a revision is needed, open the original application sent to CAAT
- Under the Revise information section, check "Are you reporting a data change?" and update the applicable information
- Revisions through PAL can be made up to May 31 of the year following the date of retirement



Termination

What is a termination?

 When a CAAT member leaves their employment at a CAAT employer, before being eligible for an immediate pension

- At the member's termination date:
 - DBprime
 - Less than age 55
 - Does not have age 50 and 20 years of service
 - DBplus
 - Less than age 50

Extension of Membership (EOM)

- After terminating employment:
 - Members remain in the Plan for 24 months
 - Referred to as Extension of Membership
- Must terminate employment at all CAAT participating employers before being eligible for a benefit

Extension of Membership options

Options for members during the 24-month EOM period:

- 1. Start working at another CAAT employer
- 2. Transfer to another employer's registered pension plan (if the other plan accepts the transfer)
- 3. Start their pension if they become retirement eligible

Extension of Membership options

Options for members after the 24-month EOM period:

- 1. Deferred pension
- 2. Commuted value transfer
 - To a personal locked-in retirement savings vehicle
 - To another employer's pension plan (if that plan accepts the transfer)

Termination process

- 1. Employer completes Termination of Employment through PAL
- CAAT mails a letter to the member explaining the 24-month Extension of Membership (EOM) period
- 3. CAAT mails an Option Document directly to the member at the end of the 24-month EOM period
- 4. Member completes the Option Document and forwards it, along with applicable documentation, to CAAT via My Pension or by mail
- 5. CAAT processes the elected option

Vacation pay – DBprime members only

The same rules apply for termination as they do for retirement

- Vacation pay is given to a member for accrued vacation
- If requested by the member:
 - Only vacation pay earned in the current benefit year may be pensionable at termination

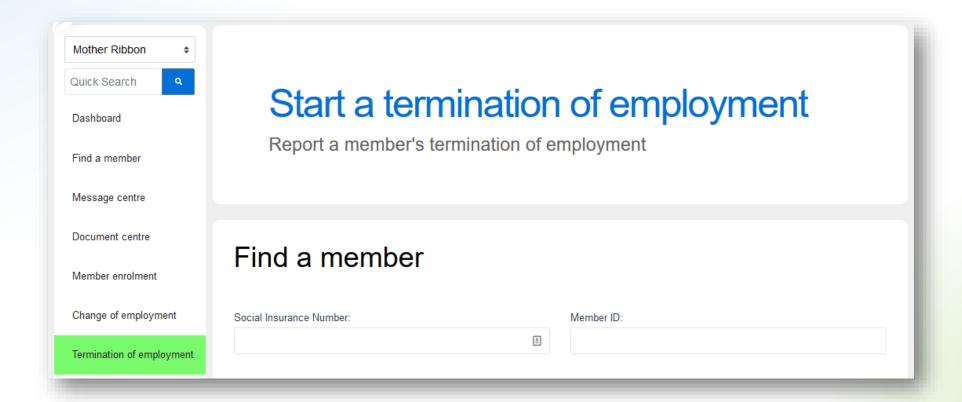
Last day worked and termination date

Last day worked = last day for which a member is paid for their work with the employer and made contributions to the Plan

Termination date = last day of employment with the employer

Termination of employment process

Select Termination of employment to start the process



Reporting Non-Contributing Members

Reporting non-contributing members

Who is affected?

- College employers
- Non-contributing (NC) members OTRFT members who have not contributed to the Plan during the last 12 months

• Why report this information?

- Members to receive option documents in a timely manner
- Better record keeping
- Saves time during year-end activities

Reporting non-contributing members

How to report?

- Fewer than 25 members submit application via PAL
- 25 members or more submit an Excel file including the members name,
 SIN and the last day worked

• How often to report?

- Three times per year by May 31, October 31 and December 31
- No longer accepted annually in the DCT

Pre-Retirement Death

Pre-retirement death

- CAAT pays a pre-retirement death benefit if the member dies before they retire
- Applicable to:
 - Active members
 - Members in Extension of Membership period
 - Former members eligible for a deferred pension

Pre-retirement death – Survivor benefits

Paid according to a specific order of eligibility		
	Ontario/Nova Scotia	Other jurisdictions
1	Eligible spouse	Eligible spouse
2	Eligible children	Designated beneficiary
3	Designated beneficiary	Estate
4	Estate	

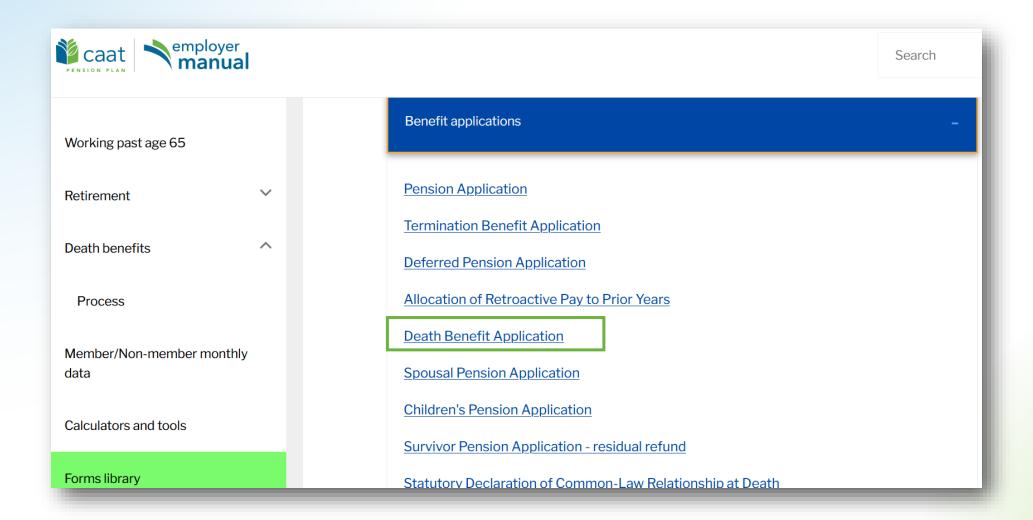
Pre-retirement death process

- Employer completes Death Benefit Application and submits it to CAAT via Message Centre in PAL
- 2. Employer submits proof of death, if available
- 3. CAAT calculates survivor benefits
- CAAT mails the pre-retirement death option package to the member's eligible survivor
- The eligible survivor forwards completed, signed Option Document and supporting documentation to CAAT
- 6. CAAT processes payments

Vacation pay and pension adjustment

- Vacation pay is not pensionable in the event of a member's death – DBprime only
- Pension adjustment (PA) calculation is not required in the member's year of death

Finding the Death Benefit Application



Disability Leaves

Disability leaves

- A member who is in receipt of long-term disability (LTD) benefits or a full loss of earnings workers' compensation (WC) benefit:
 - Stops contributing to the Plan
 - Continues to accrue pensionable service and related benefits based on their deemed earnings

Disability leaves

- A member who is in receipt of a partial loss of earnings benefit under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act (Ontario):
 - Stops contributing to the Plan
 - Continues to accrue pensionable service and related benefits based on their deemed earnings for the first 12 months

After the 12-month contribution waiver period:

- Resumes contributing to the Plan based on the contributory earnings they are actually receiving
- The employer makes the required employer contributions

DBprime members – Disability leave process

- 1. Employer completes Report a leave in PAL
- 2. CAAT updates the member's record and will deem the member's earnings and service from the leave start date
- 3. Upon return from disability leave, employer completes *Report* a leave in PAL to report a disability leave end date
- 4. CAAT updates member's record accordingly

DBprime members – Important notes

- The disability leave start date must not overlap with the last day worked
- Provide the current salary rate for the member at the time their disability leave started
- A member retiring at age 65 does not require a disability leave end date reported

DBplus members – Disability leave

- A member on a disability leave has a choice whether to contribute*
- Contributions are based on actual disability income received:
 - If the member chooses to contribute, the employer must also contribute at the applicable rate
 - If the member chooses not to contribute, they cannot elect to contribute at a later date
 - The member may choose to stop contributing at any time

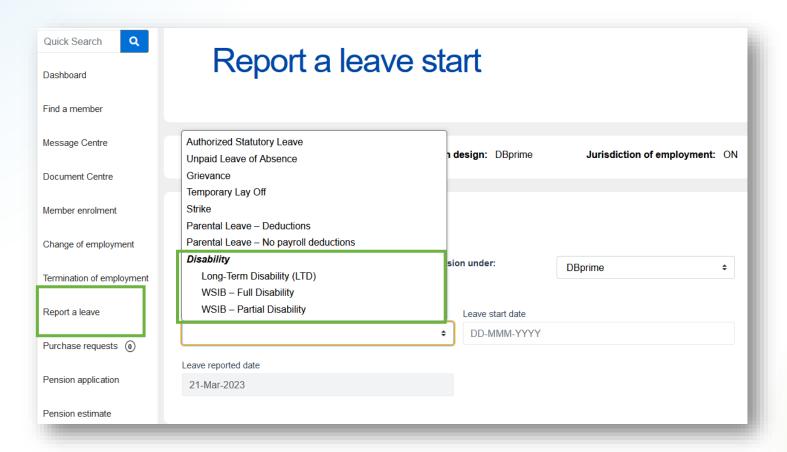
^{*} Members receiving benefits under Ontario's *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act* do not contribute to DBplus during the first 12 months and will continue to earn a pension during this period

DBplus members – Disability leave process

- 1. Employer completes Report a leave in PAL, downloads the applicable form and submits via PAL (must contain member's election)
- 2. CAAT updates the member's record
- 3. If the member elects to contribute, the employer collects the member's contributions and submits member's and employer's contributions to CAAT
- 4. Upon return from disability leave, employer completes *Report a leave* in PAL to report the leave end date
- 5. CAAT updates the member's record

Reporting a disability leave in PAL

Find the member and select Report a leave



Change of Employment

Change of employment

Select Change of employment to start the process

