

## RESERVE COMPONENT SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN (RCSBP) ELECTION CERTIFICATE

### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

**AUTHORITY:** 10 U.S.C. Chapter 73, subchapters II and III; DoD Instruction 1332.42, Survivor Annuity Program Administration; DoD Financial Management Regulation, Volume 7B, Chapter 54; and E.O. 9397 (SSN).

**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S):** Used by Reserve Component members, during the 90 day period after receiving notification of eligibility to receive Reserve retired pay, to make an election for the Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RCSBP).

**ROUTINE USE(S):** None.

**DISCLOSURE:** Voluntary; however, failure to provide requested information may result in an incorrect election and/or delayed payment of survivor benefits in the event of the member's death.

### INSTRUCTIONS

The decision you make regarding participation in the Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RCSBP) is very important. **A decision to participate, that is to select either Option B or C, is permanent and cannot be changed unless authorized by law**, such as the opportunity to terminate your participation during the period that is between your 62nd birthday and the day before you reach age 63 at which time you may elect to discontinue participation. A decision to decline RCSBP coverage means you will not have another opportunity to select SBP coverage until age 60. In the event you decline RCSBP coverage and die prior to your 60th birthday, no survivor benefits will be paid. Please review the program details carefully and consider the effects of your decision before making an election. You must submit this form within the 90-day period after being notified of eligibility for retired pay at age 60. If you do not submit this form as required, your election, if any, will be determined by law.

Complete this form and submit it to your service using the address listed below. A telephone number is provided if you have questions about the program or need assistance completing this form.

IF YOUR SERVICE IS:	MAIL THIS FORM TO:	FOR QUESTIONS CALL:
ARMY RESERVE/ ARMY NATIONAL GUARD	HRC-STL ATTN: ARPC-PAP-T 1 Reserve Way St. Louis, MO 63132-5200	1-800-318-5298 or (314) 592-0553
NAVY RESERVE	Navy Personnel Command (PERS-912) 5720 Integrity Drive Millington, TN 38055-9120	1-877-807-8199 or (901) 874-4304
AIR FORCE RESERVE/ AIR NATIONAL GUARD	HQ ARPC/DPPE 6760 E. Irvington Place Denver, CO 80280-4000	1-800-525-0102 Ask for Entitlements Division
MARINE CORPS RESERVE	Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps Manpower and Reserve Affairs (MMSR-5) 3280 Russell Road Quantico, VA 22134-5103	1-800-336-4649 or (703) 784-9306/9307

### SECTION I - MEMBER INFORMATION

1. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		2. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	3. RANK
4. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD)	5. MAILING ADDRESS (Street, Apartment Number, City, State, and ZIP Code)		
6. TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include area code)	5.a. EMAIL ADDRESS		

### SECTION II - MARITAL/DEPENDENCY STATUS

7. ARE YOU MARRIED?	YES	NO	8. DO YOU HAVE ANY DEPENDENT CHILDREN?	YES	NO
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### SECTION III - SPOUSE/DEPENDENT CHILD(REN) INFORMATION (If applicable)

9.a. SPOUSE'S NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	b. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	c. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD)	10. DATE OF MARRIAGE (YYYYMMDD)
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**11. DEPENDENT CHILDREN.** Complete this section for your unmarried, dependent children who are under age 18, or under age 22 if full time students, or any age if disabled and incapable of self-support before age 18 (or 22 if a full time student).

a. CHILD'S NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	b. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	c. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD)	d. RELATIONSHIP (Son, daughter, stepson, etc.) (Indicate "FS" if from previous marriage)	e. DISABLED? (Yes/No)

IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL DEPENDENT CHILDREN, CONTINUE IN SECTION VII, REMARKS, AND X HERE →

<b>MEMBER NAME</b> <i>(Last, First, Middle Initial)</i>	<b>SSN</b>
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**SECTION IV - COVERAGE**

**12. OPTIONS** *(Select one)* NOTE: Selecting Option A or Option B requires spouse concurrence in Section IX.

<b>OPTION A.</b> I decline to make an election until age 60. <i>(NOTE: Do not select type of coverage below.)</i>
<b>OPTION B (DEFERRED ANNUITY).</b> I elect to provide an annuity beginning on the 60th anniversary of my birth should I die before that date, or on the day after date of death should I die on or after my 60th birthday. <i>(Select type of coverage below.)</i>
<b>OPTION C (IMMEDIATE ANNUITY).</b> I elect to provide an immediate annuity beginning on the day after date of my death, whether before or after age 60. <i>(Select type of coverage below.)</i>

**13. TYPE OF COVERAGE** *(Select one)*

SPOUSE ONLY.
SPOUSE AND CHILD(REN).
CHILD(REN) ONLY.
FORMER SPOUSE <i>(Complete DD 2656-1, "Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) Election Statement for Former Spouse Coverage").</i>
FORMER SPOUSE AND CHILD(REN) <i>(Complete DD 2656-1, "Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) Election Statement for Former Spouse Coverage").</i>
NATURAL PERSON WITH AN INSURABLE INTEREST <i>(Complete Section VI).</i>

**SECTION V - LEVEL OF COVERAGE**

**14.** Select the monthly amount of retired pay you wish to have the survivor annuity based on. NOTE: You cannot decrease the level of existing coverage. Your covered spouse beneficiary will receive an annuity that will pay 55 percent of the level of coverage until age 62 and will pay between 45 to 50 percent during the phase-out of the two-tier method (October 2005 - March 2008). Effective April 1, 2008, the annuity regardless of age will be 55 percent of the level of coverage selected. The annuity paid to a child or children totals 55 percent (divided in equal shares). Children annuities are payable to children who are: under age 18; or under age 22 if full time, unmarried students; or any age if disabled and incapable of self-support before 18 (or 22, if while a full-time student). An insurable interest annuity is 55 percent of the difference between retired pay and the premium for coverage. Insurable interest annuities remain at 55 percent regardless of age. Place an X in the appropriate box to indicate your election.

FULL RETIRED PAY.
REDUCED AMOUNT OF RETIRED PAY <i>(Cannot be less than \$300.00)</i> \$ _____ <i>(NOTE: Spouse concurrence required in Section IX.)</i>

**SECTION VI - INSURABLE INTEREST COVERAGE**

**15. INSURABLE INTEREST BENEFICIARY**

<b>a. NAME</b> <i>(Last, First, Middle Initial)</i>	<b>b. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER</b>
<b>c. DATE OF BIRTH</b> <i>(YYYYMMDD)</i>	<b>d. MAILING ADDRESS</b> <i>(Street, Apartment Number, City, State, and ZIP Code)</i>
<b>e. RELATIONSHIP TO MEMBER</b>	

**SECTION VII - REMARKS**

**16. USE THIS SECTION TO CONTINUE AN ITEM OR MAKE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS.**

<b>MEMBER NAME</b> <i>(Last, First, Middle Initial)</i>	<b>SSN</b>
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**SECTION VII - REMARKS** *(Continued)*

16. *(Continued)*

**SECTION VIII - MEMBER SIGNATURE**

**THE MEMBER'S SIGNATURE MUST BE WITNESSED.** The witness cannot be the member's spouse, or beneficiary.

<b>17. SIGNATURE OF MEMBER</b>	<b>18. DATE SIGNED</b> <i>(YYYYMMDD)</i>
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<b>19.a. PRINTED NAME OF WITNESS</b> <i>(Last, First, Middle Initial)</i>	<b>b. SIGNATURE</b>
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<b>c. MAILING ADDRESS OF WITNESS</b> <i>(Include ZIP Code)</i>	<b>d. DATE SIGNED</b> <i>(YYYYMMDD)</i>
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**SECTION IX - SPOUSE CONCURRENCE**

*(Required when member is married and elects child(ren) only coverage, does not elect full spouse coverage, or declines coverage. The date of the spouse's signature in item 20.b. MUST NOT be before the date of the member's signature in item 18, above. The spouse's signature MUST be notarized.)*

Spousal consent and signature are required for an RCSBP election that does not provide for an immediate spouse annuity (Option C) based on full retired pay. **A NOTARY PUBLIC MUST WITNESS THE SPOUSE'S SIGNATURE.** The witness must not be a beneficiary of the member. In the event that consent is required, but not provided, RCSBP coverage will be established for an immediate spouse annuity based on full retired pay. NOTE: If the member selects Option A (declining to make an election until age 60), and the spouse consents, no annuity will be payable if the member dies prior to reaching age 60. When the member reaches age 60, an SBP election for less than a full spouse annuity requires the member's spouse to consent. Electing Option B requires the beneficiary to wait until the member would have been age 60 before the annuity is payable, in the event the member dies prior to reaching age 60.

**20. SPOUSE.**

I hereby consent in my spouse's RCSBP election as indicated. I have read and understand the information that explains the options available and the effects of those options. I am aware that my signature constitutes consent and that I may not change my mind at a later date regarding the RCSBP election.

<b>a. SIGNATURE</b>	<b>b. DATE SIGNED</b> <i>(YYYYMMDD)</i>
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<p><b>21. NOTARY WITNESS</b></p> <p>On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared _____, provided to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which were _____, to be the person whose name is signed in block 20.a. of this document in my presence.</p> <p>_____ <i>(Signature of Notary)</i></p> <p>My commission expires: _____</p>	<p><b>NOTARY SEAL</b></p>
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