

Life partnership

A life partner's pension gives your partner financial security in the event of your death. Notify PUBLICA of the partnership either via the myPublica active member portal or by signing and returning this form.

Quasi-marital relationship

A life partnership is a quasi-marital relationship between unmarried people of the same sex or different sexes who are not related to each other, with the exception of people who are related but where there is no obstacle to marriage.

When is a life partner's pension payable?

- If you die, your life partner is entitled to a life partner's pension provided he/she does not receive another life partner's pension or spouse's pension.
- Additionally, one of the following conditions must be met:
 - Your life partner is at least 40 years old and you lived in a life partnership on a continuous basis in the last five years before the death.
 - Your life partner is financially responsible for a child of the partnership who is entitled to an orphan's pension.

Notify us during your lifetime

Please notify us of your life partnership while you are alive. Otherwise, your partner will have no entitlement to a pension. The time you spent in a life partnership notified to us will be offset against any later marriage.

What happens when you die?

Your life partner must claim the pension from PUBLICA **no more than six months after your death**. PUBLICA will then review the claim.

To do this, we will need

- proof that you lived together for the last five years before the death (e.g. confirmation from your commune of residence). If you did not live together, we will need other evidence that you were in a life partnership, such as shared expenditures.
- a civil status certificate.
- information about joint children.
- other documents such as tax returns, a pension decision or a divorce decree.

Entitlement ends on marriage or death

The entitlement to a life partner's pension ends when the surviving partner

- marries or enters a new life partnership,
- dies or
- becomes entitled to a spouse's pension as a result of the death of a divorced spouse.

Notify us of changes

If you separate or any other change occurs, please notify us of this immediately.

If you have any questions or need assistance, we will be happy to help.

Notification of a life partnership

between (active member or pension recipient)

	OASI number
First name	Last name
Date of birth	Marital status

and (life partner)

First name	Last name
Date of birth	Marital status

Confirmation

1. By submitting this notification, you ensure that PUBLICA can review your partner's claim to a life partner's pension in the event of your death.
2. By submitting this notification, you confirm that this life partnership has existed:

Since

Please notify PUBLICA of any change of circumstances. Thank you.

Place	Date
Signature of active member or pension recipient	

Complete and sign this life partnership notification and send it to:
 Swiss Federal Pension Fund PUBLICA, Eigerstrasse 57, 3007 Bern