

HOOPP connect

USER GUIDE

Introduction	3
ABOUT HOOPP CONNECT	3
Supported browsers	3
HOOPP Connect tabs - overview	3
Home	3
Retirement	4
Pension	4
Knowledge Centre	4
Your Profile	4
Secure Mailbox	4
Feedback	5
Contact Us	5
How to access HOOPP Connect	5
How to register as a new user	5
How to create your user ID and password	6
Correspondence options	7
How to select your preferred form of correspondence	7
How to change your preferred mailing address	8
How to view your personal data	9
Information for active members and deferred pensioners	9
Information for pensioners	10
Personal info transactions	10
Retirement tab	15
Information for pensioners	20
Personal info transactions	20
Pension transactions	22
Contact HOOPP	24

INTRODUCTION

This User Guide provides instructions on how to use HOOPP Connect to access and update your pension information online. Options and screens in HOOPP Connect vary depending on whether you are an active member of HOOPP or whether you have retired. This is because the transactions you can or need to perform change once you have commenced retirement and are receiving your HOOPP pension. This guide is divided into instructions for all users, active members and deferred pensioners, and pensioners so that you can go to the sections that apply to you.

ABOUT HOOPP CONNECT

HOOPP Connect is HOOPP's first transactional site for members and pensioners. It enables HOOPP members to access the site at their convenience to review and update their personal information, perform retirement income estimates and receive pension documents, all securely and electronically.

While HOOPP Connect is for securely accessing your personal pension information and performing transactions with your data, hoopp.com remains as our public website, accessible to all. It is still your source for any educational materials, forms, contests, surveys, news and other member tools.

Supported browsers

- Microsoft® Internet Explorer version 7.0 and higher
- Mozilla Firefox version 3.5
- Safari 4.0
- Google Chrome 2.0

Browser settings and plug-ins

HOOPP Connect requires JavaScript™, cookies, and 128-bit Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) encryption or higher enabled. A browser capable of at least 128-bit encryption must be used to access HOOPP Connect. If your browser doesn't meet this requirement, you will receive a message with information on how to adjust your security settings. Use of encryption is for your protection.

Adobe® Acrobat® Reader is required to view certain documents.

HOOPP CONNECT TABS - OVERVIEW

The HOOPP Connect homepage displays a number of tabs, but not all tabs are available to all users. The sections that you can access depend on whether you are an active member/deferred pensioner, or already retired.

Home

Action Needed: This box will only appear on the home page when there is an outstanding item for you to review and/or complete. Details about what you need to do will appear under the Action Needed heading. If you complete those actions in a session, and no new actions are required, the next time you log in the Actions Needed box will not display.

Secure Mailbox: A link to access your Secure Mailbox will always appear on the home page.

At a Glance: This box will always appear on the home page. If you are an active or a deferred pensioner, the HOOPP Plan Status will appear as Eligible. If you are retired, it will appear as Receiving Payments.

Retirement

Project Retirement Income: Shows you your projected retirement income based on assumptions which can be modified to show different "what if" scenarios (e.g., what if I retire at age 55?). Perform termination estimates. Pensioners will not see this option as they are already retired.

Recent Requests: Changes or transactions that you've made within seven days.

Beneficiaries: Lists your current beneficiaries along with their survivor benefit allocation. If you are an active member, a deferred pensioner or a pensioner, you must call HOOPP or complete a Beneficiary Designation Form and send the completed form to HOOPP to add or change a beneficiary.

Pension

Retirement Process: Tips and information to help guide you through the retirement process, whether you are considering retirement in a few months or in a few years. Pensioners will not see this option as they are already retired.

Key Dates: For active members this includes your early, earliest unreduced and normal retirement dates, your total RPP contributions with interest and your vesting status. Deferred pensioners will also see their last day of employment. If you are a pensioner you will only see your last day of employment and your vesting status.

At the top of the key dates page your total RPP contributions as of the last Annual Statement Date is displayed. Note that contributions are calculated at the end of a year so the amount shown is your total as of December 31 of the last reporting year.

Future Payments: The Future Payments tab allows a retiree to view payment amounts and destination for their next payment. Active members will not see this option because you must be retired to receive payments.

Knowledge Centre

Plan Information: The Plan Information section contains several links to HOOPP Summary Plan Documents which provide general plan information to members in the PDF format, as well as to relevant pages on hoopp.com. For a full and complete description of your entitlements under HOOPP, view the Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan Text, also available on hoopp.com. For all other educational material and forms, visit hoopp.com.

Your Profile

Personal Information: Your indicative details, marital status and spousal information (if applicable), email addresses, mailing addresses and preferred form of correspondence.

Beneficiaries: Lists your current beneficiaries along with their survivor benefit allocation. If you are an active member, a deferred pensioner or a pensioner, you must call HOOPP or complete a Beneficiary Designation Form and send the completed form to HOOPP to add or change a beneficiary.

Financial Institutions: Lists the financial institution you have on file for direct deposits and allows you to add or change your account information.

Log-on Information: View and change your HOOPP Connect ID, and change your password, password hint and security questions.

Secure Mailbox

If the Secure Mailbox is selected as your preferred form of correspondence, documents will be delivered there for you to read and print – including your annual statement.

If you are receiving your correspondence by postal mail, you have the option of changing this to the Secure Mailbox, which is the faster and preferred way of receiving HOOPP-related correspondence.

Feedback

Tell us what you think about HOOPP Connect and provide your feedback.

Contact Us

If you have a question that needs a direct response:

- Contact Centre: 416-646-6445 or toll-free in Canada and the U.S. at 1-877-43HOOPP (46677) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST Monday to Friday.
- Email: Send email to <u>clientservices@hoopp.com</u>. Do not include your SIN or banking information in these email messages as security cannot be guaranteed.

HOW TO ACCESS HOOPP CONNECT

You can access HOOPP Connect from HOOPP's <u>website</u>, or visit <u>www.hooppconnect.com</u>. When you log on to HOOPP Connect for the first time after registering, the first page that you will come to has HOOPP's Terms of Use on it. You must accept the Terms of Use by clicking on the "I accept" radio button and clicking Continue in order to complete the sign in to HOOPP Connect.

Once you have read and accepted the Terms of Use, you will not be required to accept the Terms of Use again as long as you remain eligible to access HOOPP Connect, and provided the Terms of Use has not changed. If the Terms of Use is updated in the future, all users will be required to accept the terms again.

HOW TO REGISTER AS A NEW USER

When you first use HOOPP Connect you will have to register. On the log in page, click Register as a New User.

Log On

User ID	I Forgot My User ID
Password ¹	I Forgot My Password
Trns ID	
Log On Register as	a New User

You will be asked for the last four digits of your SIN, your birth date, and your postal code.

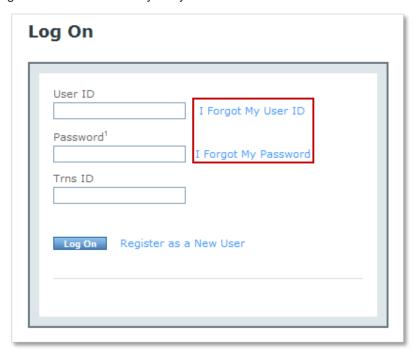
If you have moved and not updated your address with HOOPP, the system will not recognize you as a member when you enter your postal code. You'll need to first report your new address to HOOPP in order to register. You can do this by simply calling HOOPP.

How to create your user ID and password

Once you have received your notification that your registration was successfully completed, click on Continue to create your user ID and password.

You can also set a password hint to use in case you forget your password later on. This should be something easy to remember and be of close personal association. This field may be no more than 60 characters in length (numbers and/or letters) and is not case sensitive.

Members can change their password and hint at any time. Passwords may also be reset if forgotten. If you forget your password when using HOOPP Connect, click on I forgot my password on the HOOPP Connect log on page and it will be sent to you by e-mail. You can also call HOOPP.



Although the client service specialists don't have access to member passwords, they can access your password hint to help you remember.

Once you have your user ID and password, enter them in the fields provided to sign in. Please note that the first time you sign in after registering as a new user, you must accept the Terms of Use by clicking on the "I accept" radio button and clicking Continue in order to complete the sign in process to access all of HOOPP Connect's features and functionality.

CORRESPONDENCE OPTIONS

The Secure Mailbox (option top right of your screen or in the center of the screen) allows members to securely retrieve system generated documents online to print and return to HOOPP Client Services. You can specify in Your Profile if you prefer to receive system generated documents electronically via the Secure Mailbox or through the mail.

The following documents can be delivered electronically to your Secure Mailbox:

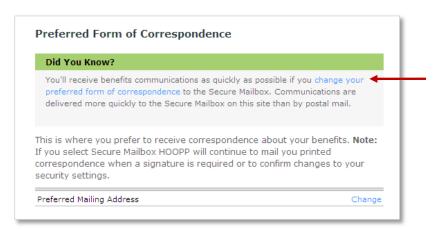
- Authorization and Confirmation Communications
- Annual Statements
- COLA Statements (for retirees and deferred pensioners)
- Tax Slips (T4As for retirees)
- Other official documents when you transact with HOOPP such as making changes to your personal information, or buying back service.

How to select your preferred form of correspondence

Under the Profile link, which can be found above the HOOPP Connect banner, you will see the option, "Personal Information" under the drop-down menu.



At the bottom of the page, you can click to change your preferred form of correspondence.



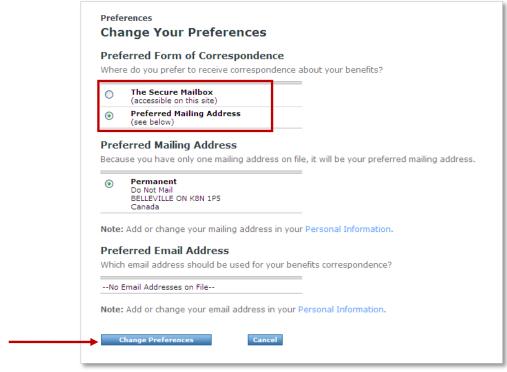
You may choose the Secure Mailbox or your Permanent Mailing Address.

When finished with your selection, click on Change Preferences and you will get a message advising you that the change has been made. You can also cancel the change.

How to change your preferred mailing address

You can change your preferred mailing address through HOOPP Connect or by calling HOOPP.

In this example, you can see that the Preferred Mailing Address is the preferred form of



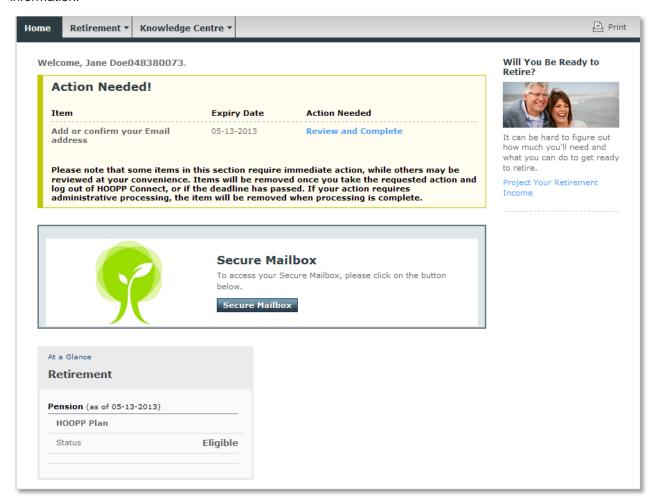
correspondence.

You can change your preferences from a preferred mailing address to the secure mailbox to receive documents electronically.

Select Change Preferences when done.

HOW TO VIEW YOUR PERSONAL DATA

Click on Your Profile link and select **Personal Information** from the drop-down menu to view your information.



The first page you will see when you sign into HOOPP Connect will either be the Action Needed box, if there is an action outstanding, or your Retirement - At a Glance. If you are retired the HOOPP Plan Status will show as "Receiving Payments".

If you select Personal Information, you will see your name, birth date, postal code, marital status and related information. On the same page, you will also see your mailing and email addresses, phone numbers and preferred form of correspondence.

INFORMATION FOR ACTIVE MEMBERS AND DEFERRED PENSIONERS

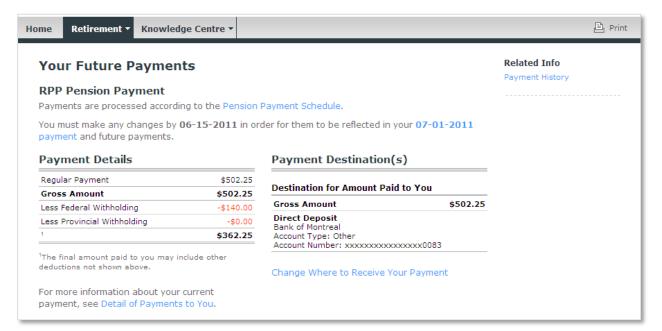
Active members and deferred pensioners will see the Home, Retirement and Knowledge Centre tabs when they log in. The Action Needed box will not display if there are no outstanding tasks for you to perform. If it is not displayed, the first tab that you will see is the Home tab.



INFORMATION FOR PENSIONERS

The Future Payments tab allows a retiree to view payment amounts and destination for their next payment.





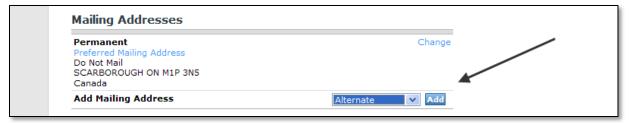
Personal info transactions

How to add or change your address

Active members, pensioners and deferred pensioners can change their permanent addresses through HOOPP Connect or by calling HOOPP Client Service.

Note – Only deferred members and pensioners are able to add an alternate address in HOOPP Connect under the Personal Info Tab.

- 1. Under Your Profile, Personal Information, go to the Mailing Addresses section
- 2. Click the Add Mailing Address dropdown to select the Alternate address type to be added, click the Add button. If you are making a change, click **Change**.



- 3. Enter the address details and click on Change or Add Mailing Address
- 4. You will receive confirmation that the address has been added and the added address will display under Your Profile

How to add or change your personal email address

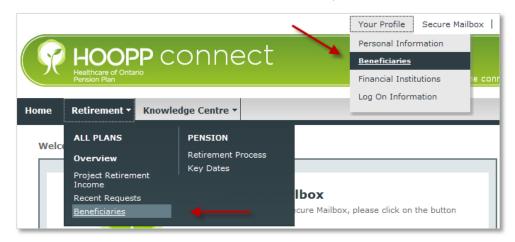
- 1. Under Your Profile, Personal Information, go to the Email Addresses section. If you are an active member, you can only Change or Delete your personal email address.
- 2. If no email is on file, click Add as you did when adding an Alternate Address. If you are making a change, click **Change** or **Delete**.
- 3. Enter the address details and click Change or Add Email Address.
- 4. You will receive confirmation that the address has been added and the added email address will display under Your Profile.



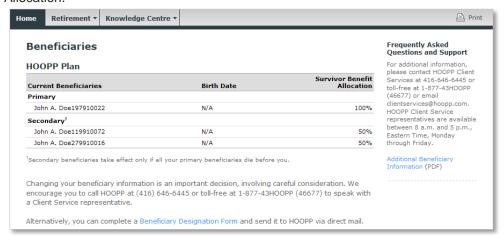
How to view your beneficiary information

Active members, deferred pensioners and pensioners only have access to view their beneficiary information in HOOPP Connect. You must contact HOOPP in order to change this information.

1. Under the Retirement tab or under the Your Profile tab, click Beneficiaries



2. If you have beneficiaries on file, they will be displayed along with their current Survivor Benefit Allocation.

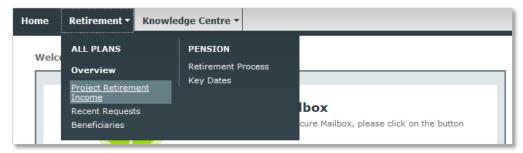


3. If you want to change or add beneficiaries, or make changes to Survivor Benefit Allocations, you can call HOOPP Client Service or download the Beneficiary Designation Form. For these changes to take effect, please complete, sign the form and return it to HOOPP.

How to perform a termination estimate

Members with single entitlements can find out what pension benefits they can expect to receive based on service to date. Because this estimate is performed when a member terminates employment with a HOOPP employer, this feature is referred to as a termination estimate.

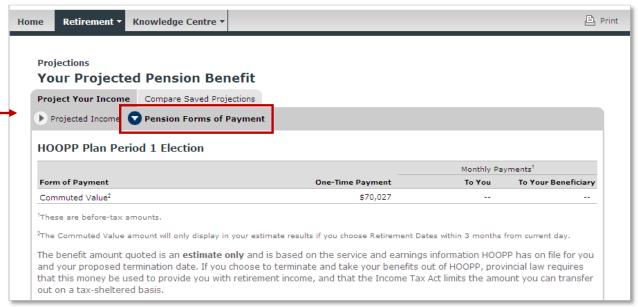
1. Click the Retirement Tab and click the **Project Retirement Income** link, where you can change your projection assumptions by clicking "Redisplay Projection" at the bottom of the page.



 Enter assumptions based on termination date. For example, last day of employment is 01/31/2010 and the date to begin receiving benefits is 02/01/2010. Then click Redisplay Projection.



3. Click on "Pension Forms of Payment" link.



Your termination estimate will be displayed. **NOTE**: In a termination estimate, benefit amounts shown are deferred amounts. You will not be able to collect them until you are eligible to retire.

NOTE: The lump sum amount calculated is the commuted value (CV) of your pension, which is the amount of money needed today to provide you with your pension in retirement. The CV estimate will only appear if you begin receiving benefits within three months from the current day and if you are under the age of 55.

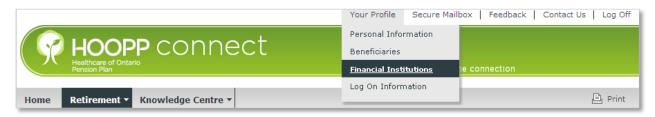
Upon terminating employment, members with pension benefits in HOOPP can forgo their lifetime pension and withdraw their benefits as a lump sum before the age of 55. They must transfer the funds into another

locked-in retirement savings vehicle such as an annuity or life income fund. Portions of the withdrawal may be subject to income tax for the year in which the funds are received.

How to set up direct deposit to your financial institution when retiring

Active members and deferred pensioners will only need to add financial institution information if they are planning to retire and receive payments via direct deposit.

1. Click on Your Profile and select Financial Institutions from the drop-down menu



- 2. If you have already added a financial institution, the information will be displayed and you will see and have the option to change the information.
- 3. If you haven't entered a financial institution yet, you can add one. Click Add:



NOTE: If you do not select Direct Deposit you will get an error message.

4. Find the bank number, transit number, and account number at the bottom of your cheque and enter them in the corresponding fields on screen (Note – cheque number is NOT required so please do not include this).

lome Retirement	Knowledge Centre •
Financial Institution	
the following order:	the bottom of your cheque and enter them in the Direct Deposit section below in transit number, bank number, account number . ently not able to directly deposit pensions into non-Canadian bank accounts.
Memo	
Please do not enter	the Cheque Number in the fields below. This number is not required by HOOPP.
Institution Name	
Transit number	
Bank number	
Account Number	
Account Type	Choose One V
	this request, you authorize HOOPP to directly deposit your money into the ed and correct your account in case of an error.

5. Click on Add Financial Institution. You will receive confirmation on screen.

Retirement tab

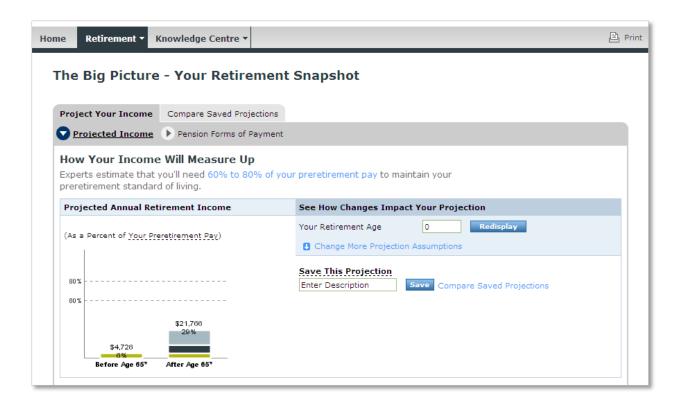
The Retirement section allows you to view projected retirement income using different assumptions and access general information about the retirement process. This section is only available to active members and deferred pensioners.

How to project retirement income

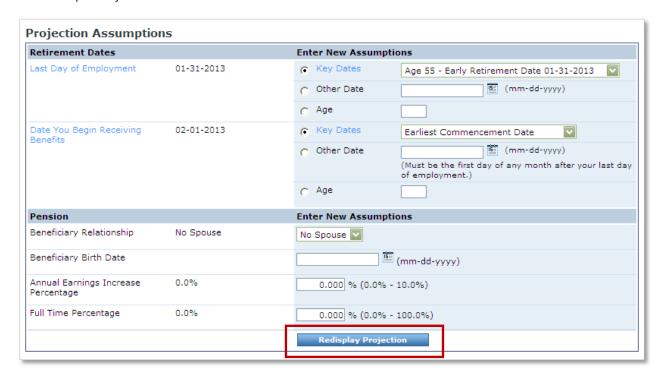
Eligible members can use HOOPP Connect to calculate an estimate of their retirement income. Estimates in HOOPP Connect include government income (after age 65) to help you plan for retirement. The estimate provides two bar graphs, one prior to age 65 and one after age 65. You may choose to view details of the calculation.

The information in projected income is intended to assist you with retirement planning only and should not be relied upon to make final retirement decisions. Actual benefit entitlements, based on verified data, may vary and will be paid in accordance with the *Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan Text* and applicable legislation in effect at the time you retire. HOOPP is not responsible for the accuracy of information related to government retirement income. Please contact the administrators of those funds directly for actual amounts.

When you click on Projected Income, a graph will display based on some basic assumptions:



However, you can change the assumptions (e.g. retirement age) and redisplay the projection based on the assumptions you have selected.



You can save up to 12 scenarios. Once you have saved 12 scenarios you will have to delete one in order to save another. You can delete scenarios any time.

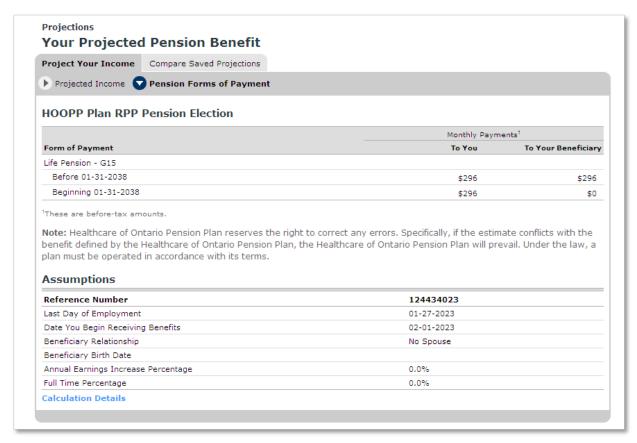


If you click on Compare Saved Projections, you can view up to three previously requested estimates sideby-side. The side-by-side view provides a comparison of estimated benefits payable using different assumptions.

Pension forms of payment

The Pension Forms of Payment page displays the type of pension you are eligible for based on the information in HOOPP's system.

The screen below shows information for an active member with no spouse, eligible for a G-15 pension. Under the G-15, you will receive a pension for as long as you live. But, if you die before receiving a monthly pension for 15 years (180 pension payments), your primary beneficiary will receive your monthly pension, excluding any early retirement benefits, for the balance of the 180-payment period.



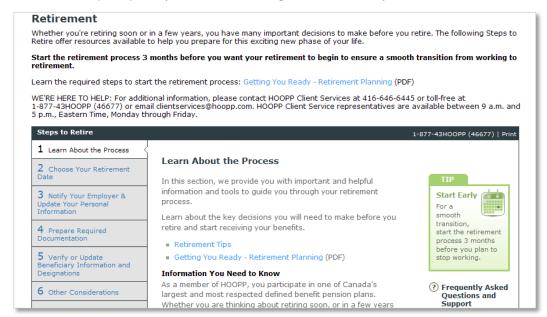
Retirement process

Under the Retirement tab - "Retirement Process" you will find links to general information about the retirement process and what to do if you are planning to retire soon, or in a few years.

Steps to Retire:

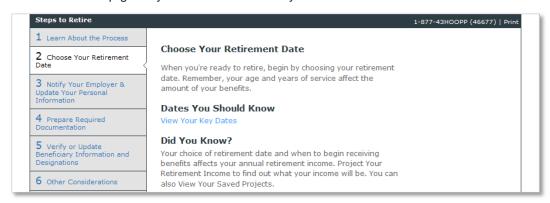
Step 1: Learn About the Process

Read some helpful tips as you consider retiring now or in a few years.



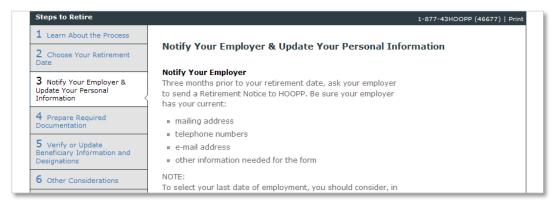
Step 2: Choose Your Retirement Date

Information to help guide you in the selection of your retirement date.



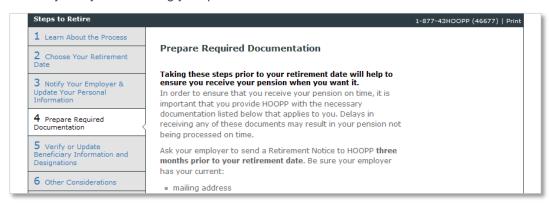
Step 3: Notify your Employer & Update Your Personal Information

This will provide you with the option of receiving electronic communication from HOOPP.



Step 4: Prepare Required Documentation

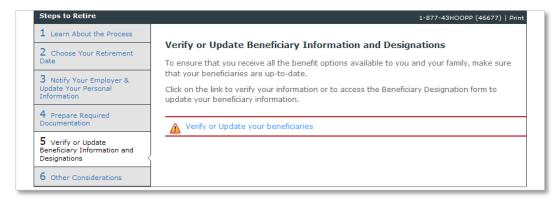
Find out more about the types of documentation you will need to provide to HOOPP when you retire to avoid any delays in receiving your pension.



Step 5: Verify or Update Beneficiary Information and Designations

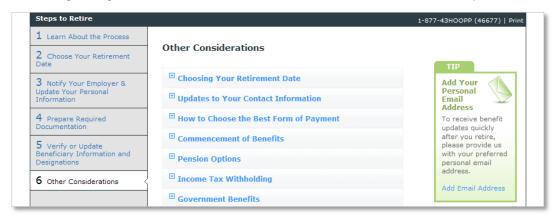
Verify your current beneficiary information. Any required beneficiary data changes must be made prior to establishing a benefit commencement date.

Your qualifying spouse must be designated as your primary beneficiary. If you wish to designate someone other than your qualifying spouse as your primary beneficiary, please contact HOOPP Client Service for more information.



Step 6: Other Considerations

Helpful tips on choosing your retirement date, updating your contact information, choosing the best form of payment, as well as information on commencement of benefits, pension options, income tax withholding and government benefits are all available for review in this final step.



If the Secure Mailbox is your preferred form of correspondence, the Pension Election Authorization and Confirmation forms will be sent there for you to print, complete, sign and return to HOOPP. You will receive a reminder in the Action Needed section of HOOPP Connect to complete these forms.

If your preferred form of correspondence is mail, you will receive the Pension Election Authorization and Confirmation forms in the mail. Payments cannot begin until HOOPP has received these completed forms back from the member.

How to change or cancel your retirement

You may change or cancel your retirement by contacting HOOPP Client Service.

INFORMATION FOR PENSIONERS

The Action Needed section will not display if there are no outstanding tasks for you to perform.

In the Your Profile section, pensioners can view Beneficiary information only. If you have questions about your selected beneficiaries, contact a HOOPP Client Service representative.

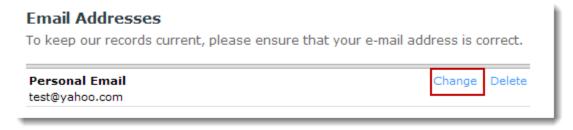
The transactions available to Pensioners include Personal Information, Financial Institutions and log on information which are found under the "Your Profile" tab.

Personal info transactions

How to change or delete an email address

Under Your Profile, Personal Information, go to the Email Addresses section. Choose Work or Personal Email and click Add.

If you have an email address on file, it will be displayed. Instead of clicking Add, you will click Change.



Enter the email address and click Add Email Address.

How to change or delete mailing address

Under Your Profile, Personal Information go to the Mailing Addresses section. You will see that you have the option to change your permanent mailing address.



Click on Change or Add, depending on what you want to do, and fill in the address information requested on screen.

You will receive a confirmation when completed and you will see the updated or added information on the Your Profile page.

How to add a financial institution or change your financial institution

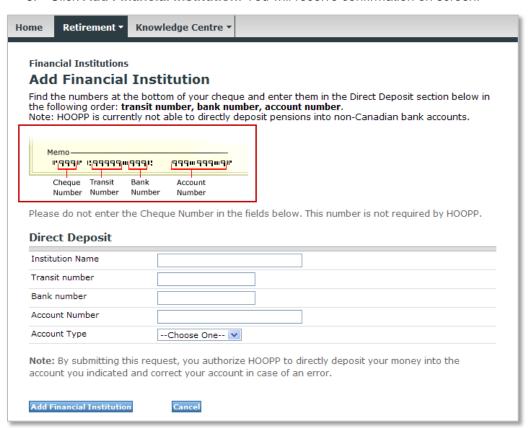
- 1. Under Your Profile, click Financial Institutions
- 2. If you have already added a financial institution, the information will be displayed and you will see and option to **Change** the information.
- If you haven't entered a financial institution yet, select Direct Deposit from the drop down list and click Add:



NOTE: If you do not select Direct Deposit you will get an error message so make sure you select this option.

4. Find the bank number, transit number, and account number at the bottom of your cheque and enter them in the corresponding fields on the screen. (Note – the cheque number is NOT required so please do not include this).

5. Click Add Financial Institution. You will receive confirmation on screen.



NOTE: If you are receiving payments via direct deposit and change financial institutions, do not close your old account until payments begin going into the new institution changed in HOOPP Connect.

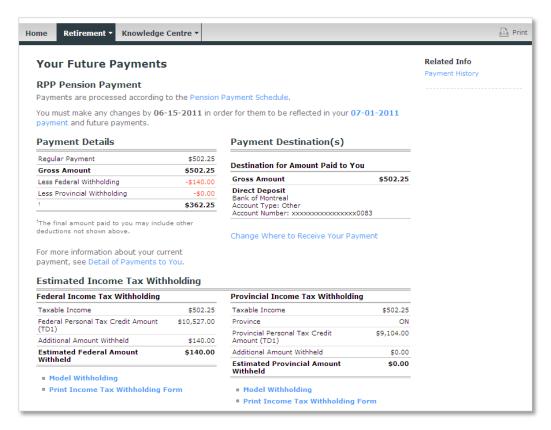
Pension transactions

How to view pension payment details

Click the **Retirement** tab and then the **Pension** tab and click **Future Payments**.

This will bring up a page that shows your payment details, including where you receive payments and your federal and provincial tax withholding information.





You can adjust the income tax withholding to check how it affects your pension payments. Click **Model Withholding** in the Estimated Income Tax Withholding section:

How to Change Where You Receive Your Payments

Click the **Retirement** tab and click **Future Payments**. You will see a Payment Destination section. Click **Change Where to Receive Your Payment**.

This will bring up a page that shows where you are currently receiving payments and allows you to select a different destination.

After making your selection, click Change Payment Address.

Please note that if you are currently receiving your pension via direct deposit and wish to change it to an alternative mailing address, you will be advised to call HOOPP Client Services.

For Canadian residents, direct deposit of your monthly pension to a Canadian financial institution is the only option. For non-residents of Canada, if you wish to change your monthly pension, you will need to call HOOPP Client Services.

You will receive confirmation of the change. If you change your destination to a different bank account, do not close the previous account until payments start going into the new account.

CONTACT HOOPP

Hours: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST)

Monday to Friday

Phone: 416-369-9212

Client Service:

416-646-6445 or toll-free in Canada and the U.S. at 1-877-43HOOPP

(46677)

Email: clientservices@hoopp.com

(Do not include bank information or your SIN in email messages as security

cannot be guaranteed.)

Address: 1 Toronto Street, Suite 1400

Toronto, Ontario

M5C 3B2