

# **GENERAL Retirement Plan Enrollment Form**

For Regular, Special Risk, and Special Risk Administrative Support Class Employees

As a new employee covered by the Florida Retirement System (FRS), you have an opportunity to enroll in the FRS retirement plan of your choice. See Section 1 for your enrollment deadline. You must be actively employed earning salary and service credit when your form is received by the FRS Plan Choice Administrator. If it is subsequently determined that you were not eligible to make a plan choice, your election will be considered invalid and will be reversed. You can enroll by completing this form, by logging on MyFRS.com using the User ID and Password you created the first time you logged on, or by calling the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line, Option 4. You will need your original PIN when you log on the first time. If you do not actively enroll, you will default into the FRS Pension Plan (see Section 1 below).

**Before you enroll**, use the **FREE** resources offered by the FRS to help you understand both retirement plans. These resources include:

- The toll-free MyFRS Financial Guidance Line: 1-866-446-9377, Option 2.
- The CHOICE SERVICE online benefits projection tool, available at MyFRS.com or through the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line, Option 2.

## SECTION 1: RETIREMENT PLAN CHOICE (You must complete this section. Please print.)

Name

(First Name)

(Middle Initial)

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_

(Last Name)

The enrollment DEADLINE is 4:00 p.m. ET on the last business day of the 5th month following your month of hire. I want to enroll in: (Choose only one by marking an X in the appropriate box.)

- 1 The <u>FRS Pension Plan.</u> (Review Section 2 and complete Section 4) Designed for longer-term employees. It will pay you a guaranteed monthly retirement benefit based on a formula that includes your service and salary. You qualify for a benefit after meeting the Pension Plan's vesting requirements.
- 2 The <u>FRS Investment Plan.</u> (Review Section 2 and complete Sections 3 and 4)
   Designed for a more mobile workforce. Your benefit is based on the amount of money contributed to your account and its growth over time. You qualify for a benefit after 1 year of service.
- 3 The <u>FRS Hybrid Option</u>. (Review Section 2 and complete Sections 3 and 4)
   Designed to freeze your accrued Pension Plan benefit and establish an Investment Plan account for all future employer and employee contributions. You must have completed 5 or 8 years of Pension Plan service, depending on your date of hire, to select this option.

### **SECTION 2: BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION**

I understand that I can designate a beneficiary at any time. If I do not designate a beneficiary, my benefits (if any) will be distributed in the event of my death in accordance with s. 121.091(8) or s. 121.4501(20), Florida Statutes, as applicable. I can designate a beneficiary by completing a Beneficiary Designation Form (BEN-001 Pension Plan or IPBEN-1 Investment Plan). Both forms are available online at MyFRS.com or by calling the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line.

# SECTION 3: FRS INVESTMENT PLAN FUND SELECTIONS

## (Complete this section only if you selected Option 2 or 3 in Section 1.)

You have 20 investment options to choose from on the next page. Please use the free MyFRS Financial Guidance Program resources to help you understand your investment fund choices. You can change your investment fund selections after your account is activated by calling the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line, Option 4, or logging onto MyFRS.com. Transfer restrictions may apply.

#### An Important Note About Fees:

Each investment fund charges an annual fee based on a percentage of the balance invested in that fund. Fees will vary by fund and are automatically deducted from your account. These are the only fees you will pay as an active member of the FRS Investment Plan. To make it easier for you to compare fees, the dollar amounts listed (in **bold italics**) next to the name of each FRS Investment Plan fund are the first-year annual fee for a \$1,000 account balance. **Note:** The fees listed on this form may have changed since the form was printed. For the latest fee and fund information, visit MyFRS.com.

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Fees reduce your retirement benefit. Over 30 years, an annual fee of 0.50% on a fund (\$5 per \$1,000 account balance) will reduce your final account balance by approximately 15%. For more information about each FRS Investment Plan fund, please review the fund profiles and the Investment Fund Summary available at MyFRS.com or call the MyFRS Financial Guidance line, Option 2, to speak to an unbiased financial planner.

## How to enter your investment fund selection:

- Write the percentage you wish to allocate to each investment option. Use whole percentages only.
- Choose your investment funds from the balanced funds, the other investment funds OR from a combination of the two.
- The total of all your selections must equal 100%.

**BALANCED FUNDS** If you are unsure about which investment funds to choose, you may want to consider balanced funds. Balanced funds are designed to provide you with a lower-fee investment alternative comprised of multiple asset classes to diversify and control risk. You can choose from three different risk levels. Each fund is designed to keep its overall level of risk relatively steady over time. You will default into the Moderate Balanced Fund if you do not select any investment funds. NOTE: The asset mix in these funds is subject to change.

	PERCEN	ITAGE
	FRS Select Conservative Balanced Fund (\$0.55)	%
	FRS Select Moderate Balanced Fund (\$0.45)	%
	FRS Select Aggressive Balanced Fund (\$0.46)	%
below. Keep in mind that Core Funds invest in a	create your own customized portfolio, choose from the investment funds a broad portion of their market and Specialty Funds invest in just a portion ans the fund will automatically block trades from occurring under certain er 1, 2012.	
Core Money Market Funds	FRS Select Yield Plus Money Market Fund (\$0.57)	%
Core Inflation-Protected Securities Funds	FRS Select U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protected Sec. Fund (\$0.20)	%
Core Bond Funds	FRS Select U.S. Bond Enhanced Index Fund (\$0.50)	%
	PIMCO Total Return Fund (\$6.00)	%
Specialty Bond Funds	Pyramis Intermediate Duration Pool Fund (\$1.08)	%
	FRS Select High Yield Fund (\$4.60 B)	%
Core U.S. Stock Funds	FRS Select U.S. Stock Market Index Fund (\$0.20)	%
	Pioneer Fund <b>(\$7.20)</b>	%
Specialty U.S. Stock Funds	FRS Select U.S. Large Growth Stock Active Fund (\$3.26)	%
	FRS Select U.S. Large Value Stock Active Fund (\$1.93)	%
	Prudential Mid-Cap Quantitative Core Equity Fund (\$3.50)	%
	Fidelity Growth Company Fund <b>(\$5.90 B)</b>	%
	American Beacon Small Cap Value Fund (\$8.30)	%
	T. Rowe Price Small-Cap Stock Fund (\$9.20 B)	%
Core Foreign Stock Funds	FRS Select Foreign Stock Index Fund (\$0.20 B)	%
	American Funds EuroPacific Growth Fund (\$5.00 B)	%
Global (Foreign and U.S.) Stock Fund	American Funds New Perspective Fund (\$5.20 B)	%
	TOTAL MUST EQUAL 100%	%

## SECTION 4: AUTHORIZATION (All participants must complete this section.)

**1. IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Before signing this enrollment form, be sure to read the following information.

I understand that I have a one-time future opportunity, called the 2<sup>nd</sup> Election, to switch from the FRS retirement plan I chose in Section 1 to the other plan during my FRS career, and that there may be a cost for doing so. I understand that I **cannot** file a 2nd Election using this form. I understand that I can find a description of my rights and responsibilities under the FRS Pension Plan and the FRS Investment Plan in the respective Summary Plan Descriptions, Florida Statutes, and Administrative Rules by calling the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line, Option 2, or visiting MyFRS.com.

If you selected Option 1 in Section 1 (Elected the Pension Plan): I understand that I have elected the FRS Pension Plan.

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If you selected Option 2 in Section 1 (Elected the Investment Plan): I understand that I have elected the FRS Investment Plan. Any accrued value I may have in the FRS Pension Plan will be transferred to my FRS Investment Plan account as my opening balance. I understand that any accrued Pension Plan value transferred to my Investment Plan account will be subject to the 6-year vesting requirement of the FRS Pension Plan or 8 years if I was initially enrolled in the FRS on July 1, 2011 or after. I can find out the accrued value in my FRS Pension Plan account by calling the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line, Option 3, to connect to the Division of Retirement. I understand that the initial transfer amount is an estimate and that my account will be reconciled within 60 days of that transfer using my actual FRS membership record pursuant to Florida law. I understand that the reconciled amount could be more or less than the estimated amount of the transfer and that my account will be adjusted accordingly. I also direct that all future employer contributions will be deposited in my FRS Investment Plan account.

If you selected Option 2 or 3 in Section 1 (Elected the FRS Investment Plan or FRS Hybrid Option): I acknowledge that I reviewed the Fund Profiles, the Investment Fund Summary, and the Annual Fee Disclosure Statement in the "Investment Funds" section at My FRS.com before selecting any investment funds or submitting this form. I understand that I can change my fund allocations at any time after my account is activated by logging onto MyFRS.com or calling the toll-free MyFRS Financial Guidance Line, Option 4. I understand that my account will be available by the end of the effective month of this election. If I don't choose specific investment funds, I am directing that my assets be invested in the FRS Select Moderate Balanced Fund. I understand that the FRS Investment Plan is not designed to facilitate short-term excessive fund trading. Foreign and global investment funds are subject to a minimum holding period of 7 calendar days following any non-exempt transfers into such funds, and I may be subject to trading controls on other funds in the event that I trade excessively.

I understand that investment management fees will be deducted from my FRS Investment Plan account. I also understand that these fees may change in the future and that funds may be added or terminated. I understand that if any of the funds I select in the FRS Investment Plan are terminated in the future, I will be able to move my assets into other investment funds prior to termination. Otherwise, my assets in the terminated fund(s) will automatically be moved into a replacement fund designated at that time. I understand that if I terminate employment and am vested in my account balance, I may be subject to a mandatory payout of my account if the balance is \$1,000 or less, or an account maintenance fee of \$6 per quarter if my account balance is more than \$1,000.

I understand that Sections 121.4501(8)(b)4 and 121.4501(15)(b) of Florida law incorporate the federal law concept of participant control, established by regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor under Section 404(c) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. If I exercise control over the assets in my Investment Plan account, pursuant to Section 404(c) regulations and all applicable laws governing the operation of the Investment Plan, no program fiduciary shall be liable for any loss to my account which results from my exercise of control.

## SIGN HERE (Your form cannot be processed without your signature.)

Signature		Date	Daytime Telephone Number
E-mail Address (optional)			Employing Agency (optional)
<ol> <li>FAX OR MAIL YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO Fax: 1-888-310-5559 (Do not include a cover sheet and retain the original for your records)</li> </ol>	Mail: (Do no	FRS Plan Choice Administrator P.O. Box 785027 Orlando, FL 32878-5027 of mail this form to your employer or to a copy for your records.)	o the Division of Retirement and

**CAUTION: Your form will not be processed if you submit a form that does not** indicate your plan choice or your Social Security number; or does not have your signature. You will be notified if your form is incomplete and was not processed. You must resubmit a <u>new</u> completed form in order for your plan choice to be processed.

**3.** Your choice will become final at 4:00 p.m. (ET) on the day it is received by the FRS Plan Choice Administrator. Your Plan Choice Form must be received on or before 4:00 p.m. on the last business day of the 5th month following your month of hire. No matter which plan you selected you have a one-time future opportunity, called the 2<sup>nd</sup> Election, to change plans during your FRS career. You can review information about the 2<sup>nd</sup> Election at MyFRS.com.

**4.** A confirmation statement will be mailed to your address of record once your completed form is received and **processed.** Please allow 2 to 3 weeks to receive it. Your address of record is submitted to the FRS by your employer. Make sure your employer is notified of any address changes.

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