



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



2.43.2101 MEMBERSHIP

- (1) An eligible employee becomes a member of a retirement system on his or her first day of covered employment under that system.
- (2) If a member changes his or her name, the member must submit a name change form to MPERA.
- (3) A member of PERS, GWPORS, or SRS who elects to purchase previously refunded service in their current system will increase their service credit but will not change first day of membership in their current retirement system. Therefore, their guaranteed annual benefit adjustment (GABA) eligibility date will not be affected.
- (4) A voluntary election to transfer service credit from another system by a member hired into PERS or HPORS on or after July 1, 2013, will not affect that member's hire date in PERS or HPORS for GABA eligibility purposes.
- (5) A member of MPORS or FURS who elects to purchase previously refunded service in their current system will increase their service credit but will not change their first day of membership in their current retirement system. Therefore, the formula used for calculating their retirement benefit will not be affected.
- (6) A retirement system member's first day of membership service will not change due to any voluntary election to transfer service credit into that system from another system or to the purchase of any other full-time public service employment or military service.

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Implementing statute(s): 19-2-303, 19-3-1605, 19-7-711, 19-8-1105, MCA

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