

Special Announcement
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MyTMRS Online Estimate Calculator Now Available!

Dear City Correspondents --

This is to let you know about an improved feature for members, an online estimate calculator in the MyTMRS section of the website: <https://www.tMrs.org/MyTMRS/Logon>.

Users may now run a retirement estimate calculation from the pulldown menu within MyTMRS. To access the feature, members first need to register for MyTMRS. Members who have not yet set up an account under the “new” MyTMRS must register through our new online registration process. For our members’ protection, we now strongly discourage the use of their Social Security Number as a user name, and allow members to choose their own user names during registration. Also, users provide several “challenge” questions and answers and enter their e-mail address. They will receive a confirmation e-mail within minutes, and after their account is set up, they may run the online estimate.

To run the online estimate, the user follows these steps:

1. Log in to MyTMRS and use the pulldown menu to choose “Retirement Estimate.”
2. Click on the “Request new estimate” link to start the process. The retirement date will default to the member’s first eligible date; however, a member may enter any date on or after their first eligible date.
3. Click the “Generate My Estimate” button, agree to the “disclaimer” statement, and a retirement estimate will be displayed.

The estimate projects the member’s annuity under all seven retirement options and also shows how the available Partial Lump Sum Distributions will affect the annuity amount. The estimates the user requests are saved within his or her MyTMRS data up to 60 days and include the last 10 estimates run.

The MyTMRS instant estimate will not allow members to run estimates with any special assumptions, such as members who have a divorce pending. Also, Proportionate service is not taken into account in deriving a member’s first eligible date.

NOTE: This new feature is different from the “Request Estimate” button that has been available on the website for some time. The “Request Estimate” button requires the user to input more information, including a mailing address, in order for an estimate to be mailed to the member, whereas the MyTMRS estimate is viewable instantly onscreen. Users should use the “Request Estimate” button only if they want to look at more variables. And as always, members may call the TMRS toll-free number for help with retirement estimates.

If you have any questions about this new feature, send an e-mail to callcenter@tmrs.com.