

Guidance Notes

Section 787M and 787N Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 (TCA 1997) set out how the relief for contributions by relevant migrant workers to overseas pension plans is to be given.

Who can make a claim

Relief is available for contributions paid on or after 1 January 2005 by a “relevant migrant member”^[2] who comes to the State and who wishes to continue to contribute to a pre-existing “qualifying overseas pension plan” with a pension provider in another EU Member State or under the law of the United Kingdom where the plan is established in the United Kingdom.

Where an individual does not satisfy the three-year test but all other conditions are met, section 787N(2) TCA gives discretion to Revenue to treat an individual as a “relevant migrant member”. Such cases should be referred to the local Revenue office dealing with the individual’s tax affairs.

Revenue does not apply the three-year test where contributions are made by a ‘relevant migrant member’ to their last opened PEPP sub-account in another Member State. This allows an individual who becomes tax resident in Ireland, but for whom their PEPP provider does not offer a PEPP sub-account in Ireland, to claim tax relief on contributions to their last held sub-account.

Revenue play no direct role in determining whether an overseas pension plan is established with the sole purpose of providing retirement benefits or whether contributions are eligible for relief in the relevant country. Revenue therefore rely on the plan administrator in the EU Member State / UK to provide such details in order to determine whether a claim is eligible.

Revenue may by notice in writing require the administrator of a qualifying overseas pension plan who has received an irrevocable instruction to provide within 30 days of the date of such notice such information and particulars, in relation to payments under the plan, as the Revenue Commissioners may reasonably require.

Claim forms submitted without Section 2 completed in full by the plan administrator will be deemed invalid and will be returned without processing.

Bank account details for repayment (in Euros) of non-resident claims

Name of claimant:

Bank account name:

IBAN (Maximum 34 characters)

BIC (Maximum 11 characters)

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[1] Pan European Personal Pension Product. Finance Act 2022 amended legislation in the Taxes Consolidation Act (TCA) to include the provisions relating to the taxation of PEPP contracts in Ireland.

[2] As defined by section 787M(1) TCA