#### ESP1 GEPF USE ONLY - GEPF STAMPS Government Employees **Pension Fund (GEPF)** BAR CODE CHOICE FORM -RETIREMENT/ DISCHARGE Private Bag x63 34 Hamilton Street Call Centre: 0800 117 669 Pretoria Arcadia E-mail : enquiries@gepf.co.za SOUTH AFRICA Pretoria Website : www.gepf.co.za 0001 THIS FORM MUST ONLY BE USED FOR RETIREMENT/DISCHARGE AFTER 31 OCTOBER 2019 CHOICE FORM UPON RETIREMENT/DISCHARGE - FOR SPOUSE'S PENSION PAYABLE (GEPF MEMBERS only) This form must be completed by any member of the GEPF who becomes entitled to a monthly annuity on retirement or exit from the Fund. The retiring member must indicate whether his or her spouse(s) or life partner must receive a standard (50%) or enhanced (75%) spouse annuity, when the member passes away. In order to qualify for the higher annuity, the member will receive a reduced retirement gratuity or annuity. A) PERSONAL PARTICULARS OF MEMBER Pension Number Surname First Name Title D.O.B Income Tax No Initials Salary No ID or Passport No se ensure that you provide a valid and private cell number and e-mail address, as the

# B) SPOUSE'S PENSION OPTION (GEPF Law Rule 14.2.2)

A single choice (from the options listed below) must be made between option no.1 (Standard) or option no.2 (Request a Quote for Enhanced Spouse Benefit).

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GEPF will be communicating to you important information to you using your cell-phone and

The <u>Standard</u> option implies that the spouse of the deceased member will receive 50% of the pension payable to the pensioner (member) on his or her date of death.

The <u>Enhanced Spouse Benefit</u> option implies that the spouse of the deceased member will receive 75% of the pension payable to the member (pensioner) on the date of death.

In order for the spouse to receive this enhanced pension, the gratuity or annuity, the member will receive on retirement, <u>will be reduced</u> by a percentage that will be based on the age and gender of the member and the surviving spouse(s).

### **IMPORTANT!!**

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- 1) In order for the percentage reduction to be calculated, the member must provide the GEPF with the particulars of the spouse(s) or approved life partner on the second page of this form.
- 2) The GEPF will then provide the member with a quote that will reflect the reduction options based on the information provided.
- 3) The member must then indicate whether he or she wishes to proceed with the gratuity or annuity reduction, or whether he or she wishes to proceed with the standard benefit.

### Note!

If a member selects the Standard Option, processing of the retirement benefit will proceed as normal. If a member selects the Request a Quote for Enhanced Spouse Benefit option, processing of the retirement benefit will be suspended until the member has responded to the quote and indicated which option he or she wishes to exercise.

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\* A monthly pension amount equal to 1/55 of the average final salary multiplied with years of pensionable service.

### AND

 The surviving spouse(s) receive a monthly pension amount equal to 50% of the monthly pension due to the pensioner (member) on the date of death

## OR

# 2. REQUEST A QUOTE FOR ENHANCED SPOUSE BENEFIT:

The REQUEST A QUOTE FOR ENHANCED SPOUSE BENEFIT OPTION implies the following:

- \* The member will provide the correct particulars of the spouse(s) to be considered on the next page.
- \* The GEPF will provide a quote reflecting the potential reduction in the retirement gratuity or annuity, based on the information provided.
- \* The processing of the retirement benefits will be suspended until the member has indicated which option he or she wishes to exercise.

# **Government Employees Pension Fund (GEPF)**

**CHOICE FORM -**RETIREMENT/ DISCHARGE



# PARTICULARS OF THE SPOUSE(S), OR APPROVED LIFE PARTNER, FOR WHOM THE ENHANCED SPOUSE BENEFIT QUOTE IS REQUESTED.

# **Important information:**

- 1) By law, only one civil spouse **OR** one life partner **OR** one or more traditional or religious wives, allowed. 2) A life partner must be approved by the GEPF before he or she qualifies as a spouse.
- 3) Only spouses listed below will be considered for the enhanced spouse's benefit.
- 4) Certified copies of the ID(s) and proof of marriage or approval of the life partnership, must be attached to this form.

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