HSC Pension Service
Application for a refund of pension contributions

IMPORTANT – Please read these notes carefully before you complete the form, and return it to your employer.

Briefly these are the main rules.
You cannot have a refund of contributions if:
- you are entitled to or are already in receipt of a HSC pension; or
- you continue to do any pensionable work (including bank employment) in the HSC without having a total break of at least 24 hours; or
- you have a period of membership which has been deferred; or
- you are over Normal Retirement Age* with less than 2 years membership of the Scheme. You are entitled to receive a lump sum and pension; or
- you have had a transfer of pension rights into the Scheme from a personal pension, regardless of the length of membership.

You can have a refund of your contributions if:
- you are under Normal Retirement Age*; and
- you have ceased membership of the Scheme; and
- your total membership in the HSC Pension Scheme is less that 2 years. These 2 years include any qualifying membership.

About your refund
HSC Pension Service needs to obtain information from your employer and the Inland Revenue before your refund can be paid. As a result it normally takes 3 months for us to pay a refund.

Applying for your refund
If you want to apply for a refund of your contributions please complete Parts 1 - 3 of this form, then sign and date the declaration at Part 4. Send the form to the HSC employer where you last paid pension contributions. They will complete Part 5 and return to HSC Pension Service. Payment will be made directly into your bank or building society.

Deductions from your refund
If you claim a refund, you will get your own contributions back, but not your employer’s. Deductions will be made from the refund for:
- your share of the National Insurance Contributions which must be paid to secure your rights in the State Second Pension Scheme (S2P) during your period of HSC Scheme membership, and
- Income tax at 20% for refunds up to £10,800, and at 40% for refunded contributions above £10,800.

The amounts to be deducted will be detailed in the quotation we send you. If any of your personal details change you must tell us at once.

*Your normal retirement age is 60 if you are in the 1995 Section of the HSC Pension Scheme
*Your normal retirement age is 65 if you are in the 2008 Section of the HSC Pension Scheme

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Please complete Parts 1, 2 and 3 in BLOCK CAPITALS, then sign and date the declaration at Part 4. Please send the form to the HSC employer where you last paid pension contributions. They will complete Part 5 and return to HSC Pension Service.

1. Personal Details

Title

Dr [ ] Mr [ ] Mrs [ ] Miss [ ] Ms [ ]

Surname


All Forenames


Date of Birth


National Insurance Number


Contact Number


Your current address


Post Code


2. Employment Details

Name and address of employer


Start date in Scheme [ ] Date of last contribution [ ]

3. Payment details

Payments will be made directly to a bank or building society in the UK, please give the following information:

Name of account holder


Sort code [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

Account No [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

Name and address of bank or building society


Building Society Roll Number __________________________________________
4. Declaration
I apply for a refund of contributions I made to the HSC Pension Scheme. I understand that I must fully repay any overpayment of the refund.

Signature ___________________________ Date ________________

PLEASE FORWARD THIS FORM TO YOUR EMPLOYER FOR COMPLETION OF PART 5.

5. Employer details

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EMPLOYING AUTHORITY

Last day of Scheme membership

Was employment terminated voluntarily (please circle)  YES  NO

Reason for Termination (complete in all cases) ___________________________

Form SD55 attached/Date sent to HSC Pension Service
(delete as appropriate) ___________________________

The above particulars have been checked and are correct

Sign here ___________________________ Stamp: ___________________________

Name ___________________________

Official Designation ___________________________

Date ___________________________

Telephone Number ___________________________

Fax Number ___________________________

E-Mail ___________________________

Send to: HSC Pension Service, Waterside House, 75 Duke Street, Londonderry, BT47 6FP

NOTE: Where FRAUD or MISCONDUCT is involved a separate letter must always be sent to HSC Pension Service setting out the circumstances, even if the applicant was not DISMISSED and has RESIGNED.