

PRE-RETIREMENT CHECKLIST

BEFORE YOU RETIRE (FIVE YEARS OUT)

Min. five years out	Look into buying missed service
Two years out	Ask employer about banking vacation time
Min. one year out	Choose retirement date
Anytime	Attend pre-retirement seminar or webinar
Anytime	Run pension estimates
Anytime	Run insurance estimates
Anytime	Understand the different pension payment options
Anytime	Understand integration with CPP and OAS
Anytime	Decide on life insurance
Anytime	Explore retiree extended health insurance
Anytime	Consider consulting a financial planner

Fun fact

The first employer-sponsored pension plan in Canada was established in 1874 for civil servants. The US introduced Social Security in 1935.



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READY TO RETIRE (SIX MONTHS OUT)

IMPORTANT: You must apply to start your pension and notify your employer before your retirement date.

EMPLOYER

	Let them know when you are retiring
\bigcirc	Update insurance class
\bigcirc	Ask about other benefits they provide
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\bigcirc	Complete retirement forms
$\widetilde{\bigcirc}$	Submit retirement forms (MIN. TWO MONTHS OUT)
$\tilde{\bigcirc}$	Optional: Arrange a meeting (virtual or in person) or call us for help
SER	VICE CANADA
\bigcirc	Know what your CPP and OAS benefits will be and how to apply
	1.800.277.9914
	www.servicecanada.gc.ca



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CANADA LIFE

(Optional) To convert life insurance and/or dependent insurance call 1.888.252.1847 or email stay_covered@canadalife.com.

CONTACT RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS

MARGE (c/o Johnson Inc.)

11120 178th St NW

Edmonton, Alberta T5S 1P2

Toll free: 1.877.989.2600

Fax: 1.780.420.6082

Email: pbservicewest@johnson.ca

www.johnson.ca/marge

Manitoba Blue Cross

599 Empress St

Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 2X7

Toll free: 1.800.873.2583

Phone: 204.775.0151

Email: info@mb.bluecross.ca

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Fun fact

In our 2023 survey, 96% of CSSB pensioners said they were happy in retirement. Most spend their time enjoying family and friends, traveling, and exploring new hobbies. What are you most looking forward to?