

Understanding your IRS Form 1099-R

Every January, PERS mails Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 1099-R to each retiree who received benefits the previous calendar year. To help retirees gain a better understanding of IRS Form 1099-R, important sections of the 2020 version of this form have been highlighted and explained in the sample form below.

IRS Form 1099-R provides information on benefits paid and amounts withheld for federal income tax.

A copy of the form should be included with federal income tax filings if any federal tax is withheld. PERS will report the same information to the IRS for each retiree who is sent a form.

The state of Mississippi does not tax retirement income; however, other states may tax retirement income. Retirees living in states where this income is taxed should file the appropriate 1099-R copy with state income tax returns.

Gross distribution **1**

This is the total amount paid by PERS during 2020, including the Cost-of-Living-Adjustment (COLA) check, if applicable.

Taxable amount **2a**

This is the portion of the gross distribution amount considered taxable income and will always be equal to or less than the amount shown in Box 1.

Federal income tax withheld **4**

This is the total federal withholding for the year, including any amount withheld from COLA benefits.

PAYER'S name, street address, city or town, state or province, country, ZIP or foreign postal code, and phone no.		1 Gross distribution	OMB No. 1545-0119		Distributions From Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, Insurance Contracts, etc.
		\$ 1	2020		
PAYER'S TIN		2a Taxable amount	Form 1099-R		Copy 1 For State, City, or Local Tax Department
Payer's ID		\$ 2a			
RECIPIENT'S TIN		2b Taxable amount not determined <input type="checkbox"/>	Total distribution <input type="checkbox"/>		
3 Capital gain (included in box 2a)		4 Federal income tax withheld			
		\$	\$ 4		
RECIPIENT'S name		5 Employee contributions/ Designated Roth contributions or insurance premiums		6 Net unrealized appreciation in employer's securities	
Street address (including apt. no.)		\$ 5		\$	
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code		7 Distribution code(s)	IRA/SEP/SIMPLE <input type="checkbox"/>	8 Other	
		7		\$ %	
		9a Your percentage of total distribution	9b Total employee contributions		
		%	\$		
10 Amount allocable to IRR within 5 years	11 1st year of desig. Roth contrib.	12 FATCA filing requirement	14 State tax withheld	15 State/Payer's state no.	16 State distribution
\$		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$		\$
Account number (see instructions)		13 Date of payment	17 Local tax withheld	18 Name of locality	19 Local distribution
Acct No.			\$		\$

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Employee contributions/Designated Roth contributions or insurance premiums **5**

For PERS retirees, Box 5 does not relate to Roth contributions or insurance premiums. The amount printed is the difference in Box 1 and Box 2a and represents the after-tax contributions (pre-July 1, 1982) recovered tax free during the applicable calendar year and is not subject to tax.

Payer's Federal Identification Number **Payer's ID**

The number specific to each retirement plan PERS administers. The complete nine-digit number for each plan is listed below and should be used when filing taxes.

PERS 64-6001557

MRS 64-0746030

MHSPRS 64-6176426

SLRP 64-6190947

Acct No. Account Number

To help you prepare your taxes, this box provides the amount withheld for payment of group health insurance premiums (HLTH). This information is not provided to the IRS. When itemizing deductions, use this figure for Schedule A (not the figure in Box 5).

7 Distribution code(s)

Applicable codes identifying the type of benefit paid for PERS retirees are as follows:

Code Type of Benefit Paid

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| 2 | Early distribution not subject to 10 percent penalty |
| 3 | Disability retirement benefits paid to a retiree who has not met normal retirement age for the applicable plan |
| 4 | Death |
| 7 | Normal distribution for a retiree 59 1/2 or older at the end of 2020 |