



Civil partnership agreement

Please note: Please refer to the legal provisions on the reverse side when filling in this form.

1. Contracting parties

Insured

Last name _____

First name _____

Date of birth _____

Civil status _____

Address _____

Civil partner

Last name _____

First name _____

Gender female male

Date of birth _____

Civil status _____

Address _____

Please attach a copy of the ID or passport of both contracting parties.

2. Civil partnership details

- We have been living together in a verifiable partnership for an uninterrupted period.

Civil partnership since: _____ (month/year)

- The Insured provides substantial financial support for the civil partner.
 The civil partner provides financial support for one or more joint children listed below.

Last name	First name	Date of birth
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

3. Regulatory provisions

Art. 16 – Pension benefit / beneficiary rules

Pension benefit is payable:

- upon reaching the age limit, out of the pension assets;
- in case of disability (pursuant to Art. 15 (2) of the Regulations), out of the pension assets and – if term insurance is held – also out of the entitlement to relevant insurance benefit;
- in the event of death, out of the pension assets and – if term insurance is held – also out of the entitlement to relevant insurance benefit.

Beneficiaries entitled to receive pension are:

- a) in the event of survival, the actual account holder;
- b) after their death, the following persons in the order of priority as listed (numbers 1 to 4):
 1. survivors as defined in Articles 19, 19a and 20 OPA*;
 2. natural persons for whose maintenance the member was primarily responsible; or a person who was co-habiting with the member for an unbroken period of at least five years prior to their death or who has to provide for the maintenance of one or more joint children;
 3. children of the deceased who do not satisfy the condition laid down in Article 20 OPA, their parents and siblings;
 4. other legal heirs on the basis of legal succession, excluding public bodies.

The member can define the beneficiaries' claims in more detail and extend the group of persons mentioned in letter b, number 1 to include those in number 2.

Where the member does not specify the entitlements of beneficiaries in the same group (numbers 1 to 4), the

Foundation will divide the pension assets equally among the persons concerned.

Details of the beneficiaries must be lodged with the Foundation in writing using the appropriate form by the member.

The (civil) partnership must be registered in writing with the Vested Benefits Foundation in the form of an officially certified partnership agreement. A specimen agreement drafted by the Foundation should be used for this purpose, which must be signed by both partners and forwarded to the Foundation while both partners are still alive.

The Foundation must be notified immediately in writing if there is any amendment or nullification of the partnership. If the amendment or nullification of a partnership is notified too late, or not at all, to the Foundation, the Foundation shall not be held liable for benefits already paid out.

In the event of marriage or if the partnership is nullified there is no longer any entitlement to a lump sum payment pursuant to Art. 16 para 2, letter b, point 2 of the Regulations.

If a further risk benefit (death/disability) is insured, this benefit shall be regulated by separate beneficiary rules.

The pension assets no longer bear interest at latest five years after the member reaches the statutory age limit or from the time of death.

The beneficiary is not entitled to claim benefit if they deliberately caused the member's death. In such a case, the beneficiary will be passed over.

* OPA = Swiss Federal Act on Occupational Retirement, Survivors' and Disability Pension Plans

Supplementary provision for payout to the civil partner

1. Basic principle

The lump sum payment is specified in Art. 16 of the Regulations. In principle, civil partners should be treated exactly the same as marriage partners and all the conditions for the payment of a lump sum should be at least the same for both married and civil partners.

2. Supplementary provisions

The following provisions apply in addition to Art. 16 of the Regulations:

1. In the case of decease, entitlement to a lump sum payment exists as long as the criteria stipulated in Art. 16 of the Regulations are met and the current conditions are satisfied at the time the payment is made.
2. The (civil) partnership must be registered in writing with the Vested Benefits Foundation in the form of an officially certified partnership agreement. A specimen agreement drafted by the Foundation should be used for this purpose, which must be signed by both partners and forwarded to the Foundation while both partners are still alive.
3. The Foundation must be notified immediately in writing if there is any amendment or nullification of the partnership. If the amendment or nullification of a partnership is notified too late, or not at all, to the Vested Benefits Foundation, the Foundation shall not be held liable for benefits already paid out.
4. In the event of marriage or if the partnership is nullified there is no longer any entitlement to a lump sum payment pursuant to Art. 16 para 2, letter b, point 2 of the Regulations.

Place, date

Signature of the Insured

Place, date

Signature of the civil partner

Official certification of both signatures (by a public official or notary in Switzerland, or an embassy abroad)

Place, date

Stamp and signature of the authenticating party