

# Leaving Form (Employer)

Company				
Departure on				
Name	me First name			
Street/no.				
ZIP code/tow	1			
Date of birth		SI number 756.		
Marital status	single	married	divorce	d
	registered partnership	dissolved partnership	widowe	widowed
	il the 15 <sup>th</sup> of a month: end of last month person able to work full time upon d	/ Departure after the 15 <sup>th</sup> of a month: en	d of month	no*
	ee of incapacity to work full time:		,	
Has the insur	ed person been subjected to a tax at	source deduction until now?	yes	no
benefits, a de	-	Valitas Sammelstiftung BVG is examinin nclose in this case the form "Notificat		
Is the departu	re due to economic reasons?		yes*	no
	s it a staff reduction that could lead to und?	o a partial liquidation of the pension	yes	no



## Leaving Form (Employee)

Company				
Departure on				
Name		First name		
Street/no.				
ZIP code/town		Telephone number		
Date of birth		E-mail		
Marital status	single registered partnership	married dissolved partnership	divorced widowed	
Date of marriage/re	egistered partnership			
Capacity to work	Were you able to work full time	e upon departure?	yes	no
Joining a new pe	ension fund (changing jobs)			
New employer				
New pension sche	me			
Bank/IBAN				
Please enclose a pa	ayment slip of the new pension fun	ıd.		

## Not joining a new pension fund – transfer to a vested benefits foundation

Please note the information provided on the enclosed fact sheet.

Transfer of vested benefits to:

the following vested benefits foundation or vested benefits policy:

Name of vested benefits institution

Bank/IBAN

Please enclose a payment slip and an account confirmation of the vested benefits institution.

avenirplus Vested Benefits Foundation (Valitas opens the account for you)

Consultation and opening of an investment account with avenirplus Vested Benefits Foundation (please see options on page 3).

This document is a translation. In the event of a dispute, the German version shall prevail.

Date

Signature of the insured person

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## Cash payment of vested benefits

Please note the information provided on the enclosed fact sheet regarding cash payment.

Negligible amount (termination benefits are less than one annual employee contribution)

Self-employment as a main source of income in Switzerland or Liechtenstein

- Besides my self-employment I am pursuing paid employment activities. Their rate is.....%. Please indicate "0%" if there are no such sideline activities besides your self-employment.
- ➔ Please enclose confirmation from the AHV compensation office.

Permanent departure from Switzerland (for cross-border commuters terminating employment in CH)

• Departure to the following country within the EU/EFTA:

Only those benefits that are over and above the mandatory benefits can be paid out in cash. We will transfer the mandatory part (LOB) to a vested benefits account of your choice (list on page 1 "not joining a new pension fund")

Departure to the following country outside the EU/EFTA:

The entire amount of the vested benefits will be paid out in cash

Please enclose confirmation of deregistration from your community of residence and a confirmation of registration of new residence (for cross-border commuters: confirmation of residence and new employment contract or confirmation of the unemployment office).

### Payment address

for cash payments in Switzerland

Bank/IBAN

for cash payments to a bank outside of Switzerland

Name of bank and full address

**IBAN/SWIFT** 

## Signatures

Persons who are **married or living in a registered partnership** need to provide an officially certified signature of their partner and an official family certificate.

We require current proof of marital/civil status from **unmarried persons**. If there is a beneficiary listed, we also need his or her officially certified signature.

Date

Signature of the insured person



## **Options for the Transfer of your Vested Benefits**

## Standard: You have a new employer and a new pension fund

In this case, the whole vested benefits must be transferred to the pension fund of the new employer.

## You do not (immediately) join a new pension fund

Then your vested benefits must be transferred to a vested benefits foundation until you have a new employer and a new pension fund. You have the following three options:

## 1. Opening a vested benefits account with a bank of your choice in Switzerland

You can open a vested benefits account with a bank of your choice. Please provide us with an account confirmation or a payment slip so that we can transfer the funds accordingly.

## 2. Opening of a vested benefits account with avenirplus Vested Benefits Foundation by Valitas

You do not have the time to open a vested benefits account yourself? We are happy then to transfer your vested benefits to our partner foundation avenirplus Vested Benefits Foundation in Berne. In this case we do not need any further documents.

## 3. Counselling by avenirplus Vested Benefits Foundation and opening of an investment account

In the current interest rate environment, sound management of your assets is essential. The avenirplus Vested Benefits Foundation enables you to invest vested assets of CHF 20'000 and more according to your investment targets and financial profile in an individual investment strategy (you can choose between three strategies).

We will be happy to provide the avenirplus Vested Benefits Foundation with your contact details so that they can get in touch with you for a counselling session. For further information please contact:

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## Fact Sheet regarding Departure / Cash Payment

## End of insurance coverage after departure

The pension coverage ends on the end of the day on which the employee leaves the pension fund (departure date: always at the end of a month). If you do not join another pension fund, you will remain insured against the risks of death and disability for a maximum of one more month. A cash payment is no longer possible following the occurrence of an insured event (death or disability).

## **Entitlement to cash payments**

### **Negligible amounts**

If the available vested benefits is less than one annual employee contribution, the capital can be paid out in cash given the relatively small amount.

### Becoming self-employed as a main source of income

If you have become self-employed as your main source of income, you may have your vested benefits paid out in cash within one year of having become self-employed. A subsequent pay-out for any existing self-employment is not possible.

The pension fund has to verify if your employment is your main source of income or a sideline job. However, the pension fund may not rely on the confirmation of the AHV compensation office.

If you would like to retain your insurance coverage voluntarily as a self-employed person, you can contact the pension fund of your professional association. Alternatively, you could contact the Substitute Occupational Benefit Institution, which will allow you to retain pension coverage within the framework of mandatory LOB cover. Further information is available at <u>www.chaeis.net</u>.

### Permanent departure from Switzerland

A cash payment of the mandatory part of the vested benefits (LOB) is not possible upon permanently leaving Switzerland if you are still subject to mandatory insurance in a member state of the EU or EFTA.

The part of the vested benefits that exceeds the mandatory may be paid out in cash. The mandatory part is transferred to a vested benefits account in Switzerland and paid out in cash at the earliest five years before reaching the regular AHV retirement age.

Are you unsure as to whether you are subject to mandatory insurance in your new country of residence? You can clarify this matter by contacting the LOB Guarantee Fund, P.O. Box, 3000 Bern 14, <u>www.verbindungsstelle.ch.</u>

For all other countries of residence, you can have the full amount of your vested benefits paid out in cash.

### Cross-border commuters

Persons moving abroad or already residing abroad but still work in Switzerland are not considered as having left Switzerland. If this applies to you, you are not entitled to have your vested benefits paid out in cash.

A cash payment is only possible if you, as a cross-border commuter, stop working in Switzerland. In this case, we need a copy of your new employment contract in addition to the official confirmation of your place of residence. Or, if you are unemployed, we need confirmation of this from the unemployment office.

## Waiting period for cash payments

If you have made additional deposits, you may not withdraw the resulting benefits (including interests) from the fund in the form of a cash payment within the next three years. You are required to transfer this part of your vested benefits to a vested benefits institution.

## Taxation of a cash payment

### **Residence in Switzerland**

We are obliged to report all cash payments to the Swiss Federal Tax Administration in Bern.

### Residence abroad

Cash payments to persons residing abroad are subject to withholding tax. The withholding tax rate is determined by the tax rate of Canton Zurich, where the Valitas Sammelstiftung BVG has its headquarters.