

Retirement Benefit

for Manitoba Child Care Workers and
Home-based Providers



Early Learning and Child Care Program

210 - 114 Garry Street, Winnipeg MB R3C 4V4
204-945-0776 in Winnipeg; toll free 1-888-213-4754

The retirement benefit provides a one-time payment to people who work in a licensed, non-profit child care centre (includes nursery schools) or a licensed family or group child care home in Manitoba. As an employee or licensee, when you choose to retire, you can apply to receive a benefit payment equal to four paid days for each year you have worked in licensed child care, up to 10 years (maximum 40 days). The benefit is based on your wage at the time of retirement.

To be eligible to receive the retirement benefit, there are two options:

Option 1: You retire at age 65 or older.

Option 2: Rule of 80 - You retire between the ages of 55 and 65, and your age plus years of service total at least 80.

For example, if you retire at 55, you must have worked in licensed child care in Manitoba for at least 25 years (55 + 25 = 80).

You must work continuously for one year to be eligible to apply for the benefit. For individuals who returned to work in licensed child care after December 1, 2010, only years worked after this date will be used to calculate the retirement benefit.

Employees who have worked part-time (less than 30 hours a week) in child care centres for most of the last 10 years are eligible for 60 per cent of the full-time benefit amount.

The benefit amount for **family or group child care home** providers is calculated at:

- 80 per cent of the total income the provider could earn from the maximum regulated fees and operating grants
- fees and grants based on the current number of licensed spaces

This calculation is applied even if the providers did not receive the operating grant. For group child care providers, the income is divided between the licensees to calculate the benefit.

COMPLETING THE RETIREMENT BENEFIT APPLICATION FORM

Child Care Centres

- The employee completes Part A.
- The employer completes Part B.
- Send Part A and Part B to the Early Learning and Child Care Program at least one month before the employee's retirement date.
- After MELCC confirms the benefit amount, payment is released to the employer.
- The employer then pays the benefit to the employee on the employee's final pay. Note that it should be paid as a retiring allowance, which is not subject to CPP contributions or EI premiums. Please consult Canada Revenue Agency's **Employer's Guide: Filing the T4 Slip and Summary (RC4120 (e) Rev.10)** for more information about retiring allowances.
- Employees can ask their employers to use the benefit to buy a registered retirement savings plan on their behalf. This may allow the employees to avoid income tax deductions on the benefit.

Home Providers

- The licensee completes Part C. Complete Part A only if you were previously employed at a child care centre.
- Send the completed form to MELCC at least one month before the licensee's retirement date.
- Payment of the benefit will be made directly to the provider(s).
- Group child care providers - each licensee fills out a separate form when retiring.

Send your completed application form and supporting documents to:

Early Learning and Child Care Program, Pension Plan
210-114 Garry Street, Winnipeg MB R3C 4V4

If you have questions, call Child Care Information Services at 204 945-0776 in Winnipeg; toll free 1-888-213-4754.

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Part A - Employee/retiree information

Last name <input type="text"/>	Given name and initial(s) <input type="text"/>
Birth date(yyyy/mm/dd) <input type="text"/>	Planned retirement date(yyyy/mm/dd) <input type="text"/>

Years of service in licensed child care in Manitoba

- Years of service can include a combination of years as an employee in a licensed child care centre and as a licensed family or group child care home provider in Manitoba. The working years do not have to be continuous.
- List centres where you worked and times you were a home provider, starting with the most recent.
- When you estimate the approximate number of hours worked per week, it must be the average of all the hours you worked at the facility. If you worked part-time and full-time at the centre, list the periods of part-time work on a separate line from the periods of full-time work.
- Attach photocopies of supporting documents, if available. This may include T4 slips issued by the employer for each year you worked there, or a record of employment issued by the employer when you stopped working there.

This section must be complete and accurate. It is used to calculate your eligibility and the amount of your benefit.

Name and address of licensed facility	Position (for centre employees)	Start date (yyyy/mm/dd)	End date (yyyy/mm/dd)	Approximate hours worked per week (for centre employees)	Supporting documents attached
					<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
					<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
					<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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					<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

(attach a separate list if you need more space)

I agree that the information provided in this application is true and complete. I have not misrepresented, concealed or omitted any information that may be relevant in determining my eligibility and the calculation of the amount for purposes of the retirement benefit.

Signature of employee/retiree

Date

The information in this application form will be verified by the Early Learning and Child Care Program.

EMPLOYER MUST COMPLETE PART B. PARTS A AND B MUST BE SUBMITTED TOGETHER WITH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Part B - Employer information/declaration (for employees of a child care centre)

Centre name <input type="text"/>	Facility ID <input type="text"/>
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Employee's current position and classification <input type="text"/>	Employee's current hourly wage <input type="text"/>
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During her/his employment at your centre, how many years and months did the employee work full-time (30 hours or more per week) and how many years and months part-time (less than 30 hours a week)?	Full-time	Part-time
	_____ years+ _____ months	_____ years+ _____ months

I/We declare that the information provided by the employee in Part A of this application form is the same as the information on the employee's resume or application form in her/his human resources file. (MELCC may require access to these documents.)

Yes No

I/We declare that the information provided by the retiree/employee in Part A of this application form is the same as the centre's records of her/his current employment. (MELCC may require access to these documents.)

Yes No

I/We declare that the information provided in this application forms is true and complete. I/We agree that if the employee returns to work at this centre within six months, the centre must repay the full amount of the retirement benefit to MELCC. Any failure to repay the full amount of the retirement benefit on demand shall constitute a debt due and owing to the Manitoba government.

_____	_____
Signature of director	Date
_____	_____
Signature of board member	Date

For The Early Learning and Child Care Program use only

Vendor No. <input type="text"/>	Cost element 7211000	Order No. 930066109	Ref doc. *Retire benefit	Text *Pension
Approval for payment signature <input type="text"/>		Date <input type="text"/>	Amount payable by Manitoba <input type="text"/>	

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Part C - Family or group child care home provider retiree information/declaration

Name of licensed home		Facility ID	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Last name of retiree		Given name and Initials	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Birth date (yyyy/mm/dd)		Planned retirement date	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Is this home licensed as a family or a group child care home? <input type="radio"/> Family child care home <input type="radio"/> Group child care home			

Number of current licensed spaces: _____ infant _____ preschool _____ school age = _____ Total

Are you classified as an early childhood educator (ECE II or ECE III)? Yes No

I agree that the information provided in this application is true and complete. I agree that my license to provide home-based child care will end by the retirement date in Part A. I agree that I will not be relicensed as a family or group child care provider for at least six months unless I repay the full amount of the Retirement Benefit to MELCC. Any failure to repay the retirement benefit on demand shall constitute a debt due and owing to the Manitoba government.

_____ Signature of licensee

_____ Date

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Complete Part A only if you were previously employed at a child care centre.

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<input type="text"/>	7211000	930066109	*Retire benefit	*Pension
Approval for payment signature		Date	Amount payable by Manitoba	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	