

PENSION RESTORATION DETAILS

Restoration of pension income subjected to the Public Service Pension Reduction is being done on a phased basis over 3 years as follows:

- 1st January 2016 – return of 400 euro per annum to most PSPR- impacted pensioners
- 1st January 2017 – return of 500 euro per annum to most PSPR- impacted pensioners
- 1st January 2018 – return of 780 euro per annum to most PSPR- impacted pensioners

The details of the changes for each year are set out below, along with tables which illustrate the effects on pensioners at different income levels. Note that the changes impact on the following three pensioner groups (who are currently impacted by separate PSPR reduction tables under the legislation):

Group 1: Pensions (pre-PSPR) above €12,000 and below €34,132, retirements before March 2012.

Group 2: Pensions (pre-PSPR) above €34,132, retirements before March 2012.

Group 3: Pensions (pre-PSPR) above €32,500, retirements from March 2012.

2016 PSPR Changes

Group 1: Increase exemption threshold (0% band) from €12,000 to €18,700.

Group 2: Increase 0% band upper limit from €12,000 to €17,000.

Group 3: Increase 0% band upper limit from €12,000 to €29,300

2016 Annualised Benefit of PSPR amendments				
Gross Pension	Retired before 1 March 2012		Retired after 1 March 2012	
	€	%	€	%
14,000	120	0.9%		
16,000	240	1.5%		
18,000	360	2.0%		
20,000	402	2.0%		
25,000	402	1.6%		
30,000	402	1.3%		
32,000	402	1.3%		
35,000	400	1.1%	399	1.1%
40,000	400	1.0%	399	1.0%
50,000	400	0.8%	399	0.8%
60,000	400	0.7%	399	0.7%
70,000	400	0.6%	399	0.6%
80,000	400	0.5%	399	0.5%
100,000	400	0.4%	399	0.4%

2017 PSPR Changes

Group 1: Increase exemption threshold (0% band) from €18,700 to €26,000.

Group 2: Increase 0% band upper limit from €17,000 to €22,000; Reduce rate on pension amount between €22,000 and €24,000 from 8% to 3%.

Group 3: Increase 0% band upper limit from €29,300 to €39,000; Reduce rate on pension amount between €39,000 and €60,000 from 3% to 2%.

2017 Annualised Benefit of PSPR amendments				
Gross Pension	Retired before 1 March 2012		Retired after 1 March 2012	
	€	%	€	%
14,000	-	0.0%		
16,000	-	0.0%		
18,000	-	0.0%		
20,000	78	0.4%		
25,000	408	1.6%		
30,000	498	1.7%		
32,000	498	1.6%		
35,000	500	1.4%	171	0.5%
40,000	500	1.3%	301	0.8%
50,000	500	1.0%	401	0.8%
60,000	500	0.8%	501	0.8%
70,000	500	0.7%	501	0.7%
80,000	500	0.6%	501	0.6%
100,000	500	0.5%	501	0.5%

2018 PSPR Changes

Group 1: Increase exemption threshold (0% band) from €26,000 to €34,132, thereby removing PSPR from this Group entirely.

Group 2: Increase 0% band upper limit from €22,000 to €30,000.

Group 3: Increase 0% band upper limit from €39,000 to €60,000.

2018 Annualised Benefit of PSPR amendments				
Gross Pension	Retired before 1 March 2012		Retired after 1 March 2012	
	€	%	€	%
14,000	-	0.0%		
16,000	-	0.0%		
18,000	-	0.0%		
20,000	-	0.0%		
25,000	-	0.0%		
30,000	360	1.2%		
32,000	540	1.7%		
35,000	780	2.2%	0	0.0%
40,000	780	2.0%	20	0.1%
50,000	780	1.6%	220	0.4%
60,000	780	1.3%	420	0.7%
70,000	780	1.1%	420	0.6%
80,000	780	1.0%	420	0.5%
100,000	780	0.8%	420	0.4%

PSPR Changes - Cumulative Annual Benefit from January 2018

3 Year Cumulative Annualised Benefit of PSPR amendments				
Gross Pension	Retired before 1 March 2012		Retired after 1 March 2012	
	€	%	€	%
14,000	120	0.9%		
16,000	240	1.5%		
18,000	360	2.0%		
20,000	480	2.4%		
25,000	810	3.2%		
30,000	1,260	4.2%		
32,000	1,440	4.5%		
35,000	1,680	4.8%	570	1.6%
40,000	1,680	4.2%	720	1.8%
50,000	1,680	3.4%	1,020	2.0%
60,000	1,680	2.8%	1,320	2.2%
70,000	1,680	2.4%	1,320	1.9%
80,000	1,680	2.1%	1,320	1.7%
100,000	1,680	1.7%	1,320	1.3%