

BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

Account Number

Participant's Name

first

middle

last

Participant's Address

street

city

state

zip

For your mailing address, provide either a street address or P.O. Box, not both. If you provide both, MassMutual will follow USPS Guidelines and use the P.O. Box as your mailing address.

Social Security No.

Marital Status:

Married

Single or Legally Separated

IMPORTANT: If no valid beneficiary designation is on file or if designation cannot otherwise be determined, beneficiary will be determined by the plan fiduciary according to plan documents and applicable law.

This designation supersedes any prior designation.

Primary Beneficiary: (Check either box 1 or 2)

1. **Spouse Primary Beneficiary:** I designate my spouse to receive my entire account balance upon my death.

Spouse's Name:

Spouse's Social Security No.:

Spouse's Date of Birth:

mm/dd/yyyy

2. **Non-Spouse or Multiple Primary Beneficiaries:** I designate the following person(s) to receive my account balance upon my death: [Up to 3 decimals may be entered when assigning percentages (e.g., 33.333%, 33.334%, etc.), but the total for all primary beneficiaries must equal 100%.]

If applicable, Spouse's Date of Birth:

mm/dd/yyyy

Name	Relationship	Social Security #	Percent
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(must total 100%)

If you are married and you have not designated your spouse as primary beneficiary, please have your spouse provide consent below.

SPOUSAL CONSENT: I understand I have a legal right to a death benefit equal to the participant's entire account balance. I consent to waive that legal right in accordance with the beneficiary designation set forth above. I acknowledge that I have a right to limit my consent only to a specific beneficiary and that I voluntarily elect to relinquish such right. I further understand and acknowledge that if I sign this form, no death benefit will be payable to me except as provided above.

Spouse's Signature

Date

The spouse's signature must be witnessed by a Notary Public:

Notary Public:

Notarization of spousal consent can be signed off by a Notary Public. A Notary Seal is not required when participant resides in one of the following states: CT, KY, LA, ME, MI, NJ, NY, RI, VT

Before me, the undersigned notary, personally appeared _____, and proved to me through identification documents allowed by law, which were _____, to be the person who signed the preceding document in my presence and who affirmed to me that they executed the above Consent of Spouse as a free and voluntary act.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed my name and affixed my official notarial seal this ____ day of _____, _____

Witnessed: _____

State: _____ County: _____

(official signature and seal of notary)

My Commission expires: _____

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For Overnight Mail: MassMutual, 430 W 7th St, Kansas City MO 64105**

Contingent Beneficiary (optional): If no Primary Beneficiary listed above is alive upon my death, I designate the following person(s) to receive my account balance upon my death: [Up to 3 decimals may be entered when assigning percentages (e.g., 33.333%, 33.334%, etc.), but the total for all contingent beneficiaries must equal 100%.]

NOTE: MassMutual does not retain Contingent Beneficiary information nor will it be displayed on our participant website at www.retiresmart.com.

Name	Relationship	Social Security #	Percent
Name	Relationship	Social Security #	Percent
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Name	Relationship	Social Security #	Percent

(must total 100%)

SIGNATURE

I understand that this beneficiary designation supersedes any previous designation.

Participant

_____/_____/_____
Date

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Kansas City MO 64121-9062**

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OR FAX to: 1-816-701-8005

OR Email to: RScsoprocessing@massmutual.com

Sample wording for use in completing this form:

To Designate

1. Your estate
2. The trustee of the Trust established under your Will
3. The trustee of your Revocable or Irrevocable Trust

Use This Wording

- Executors or Administrators of my estate
- (Name of trustee) as trustee, or the then acting trustee, of the Trust established under (your name) Will dated (date of Will)
- (Name of trustee) as trustee, or the then acting trustee, of the (name of Trust) established on (date of Trust)

Trust as Beneficiary:

Before designating a trust as the beneficiary of your plan benefit, you should consult an attorney with expertise in trusts and estates law. Some of the factors to consider include:

1. Who is going to be the beneficiary – your spouse, a minor child – and what are their financial needs?
2. Are the protections of a trust desirable?
3. What are the income tax consequences of designating a trust as beneficiary?

The following requirements must be satisfied before your trust beneficiaries will be treated as your retirement plan's designated beneficiary:

1. The trust must be valid under state law.
2. The trust must be irrevocable or must, by its terms, become irrevocable on your death.
3. The trust's beneficiaries must be identifiable from the trust instrument.
4. You must provide trust documentation to the retirement plan provider.
5. All trust beneficiaries must be individuals.

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