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CHANGES TO TSP BENEFITS

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UPCOMING TSP WITHDRAWAL CHANGES

Don't

Overlook new changes to TSP withdrawal options effective September 15, 2019

Do



Know the options for proportional withdrawals.



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Know the changes to age-based withdrawals.



Know the changes to installment payments for receiving distributions from your account.



Know that no previously existing withdrawal options will be taken away.



 Thrift Savings Plan Fact Sheet: Questions and Answers about Changes to TSP Withdrawal Options



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Test your knowledge of TSP policies.

- 1. Which of the following is not an option for money withdrawals beginning September 15, 2019
 - a) After you separate from service, you can make multiple post-separation partial withdrawals
 - b) You can start, stop, or make changes to your installment payments at any time
 - c) You will be able to choose whether withdrawals come from Roth, traditional, or both balances
 - d) All of the above options will be available on September 15, 2019
- 2. How many age based in-service withdrawals per year are permitted for federal employees age 59 ½ or older?
 - a) Only one age based withdrawal per year
 - b) Up to two age based withdrawals per year
 - c) Up to three age based withdrawals per year
 - d) Up to four age based withdrawals per year
- 3. Which of the following is not true when the new withdrawal options go into effect?
 - a) If you're receiving monthly payments, you can <u>only</u> change the amount of payments during an open season (Oct 1 Dec 15).
 - b) You will be able to change the frequency (monthly, quarterly, annual) of your installment payments at any time throughout the year
 - c) The new rules will allow you to receive payments monthly, quarterly, or annually
- 4. Starting September 15, 2019, what is the full withdrawal election deadline after you separate from federal service?
 - a) When you are 70½
 - b) When you turn 67
 - c) There will no longer be a requirement to make a full withdrawal election after separation from federal service. However, the IRS required minimum distribution (RMD) rules will still be in effect.



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