

# Firefighters' Pension Scheme: Internal Disputes Resolution Procedure (IDRP)



## Stage One Application

*This application may be submitted by a person (or nominated representative) who is (a) an active, deferred or pensioner member of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme, or the New Firefighters' Pension Scheme; (b) a widow, widower or surviving dependant of a deceased member of the FPS or NFPS; (c) a surviving non-dependant beneficiary of a deceased member of the FPS or NFPS; (d) a prospective member of the NFPS; (e) persons who have ceased to be within any of the categories in (a) to (d); or (f) persons who claim to be a person mentioned in (a) to (e) and the dispute relates to whether he is such a person..*

### To the Chief Fire Officer, Lancashire Fire and Rescue Authority

1. I wish to apply for a decision to be made, under section 50 of the Pensions Act 1995, in respect of the disagreement set out in this application.
2. I understand that an application may not be made where, in respect of a disagreement:
  - A notice of appeal has been issued under Rule H2 of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme 1992, Part 8, rule 4 of the New Firefighters' Pension Scheme 2006 or Part 6, rule 2 of the Firefighters' Compensation Scheme 2006 (appeal to a board of medical referees against a decision on an issue of a medical nature), or
  - Proceedings in respect of this dispute have begun in any court or tribunal, or
  - The Pensions Ombudsman has commenced an investigation into a complaint or a dispute referred to him.
3. The nature of the disagreement is set out in the attached page(s).

### Complete in all cases (in Block capitals)

Full Name of Scheme Member	[REDACTED]
Role and employment reference	[REDACTED]
Address of Scheme Member	[REDACTED]
Member's Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Member's National Insurance Number	[REDACTED]

### Complete if complainant is not a Scheme member (in Block Capitals)

[REDACTED]

<b>Full Name of Complainant</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Address for Correspondence</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Relationship of complainant to Scheme Member (if relevant)</b>	N/A

### Nature of disagreement

Give a statement of the nature of the disagreement with sufficient details to show why aggrieved. If necessary, continue details on to another page and attach the application form with any supporting documents.

1. Having contributed into the pension scheme I was entitled to serve until aged 60 to retire on a full B1 pension based on the APP of my full service retirement rank. This involved no loss of salary.

2. Or, I could have chosen to retire early on a B1 pension based on service and APP at my time of leaving. In that case I alone, not the service, would have been liable for loss of future salary and higher pension.

3. In the alternative: on suffering injury for which I was not responsible and if compulsorily discharged from the Service early on grounds of ill health, the service was liable for all future loss in salary and pension.

4. S1 129 1992 specifies a B3 'ill-health' pension as compensation for loss of future rank, salary, and a higher pension denied those forced into early retirement by reason of ill health

5. SI 129 1992 prohibits payment of a B1 pension to a person awarded a B3 pension.

6. I was retired on grounds of ill health and awarded a B3 pension. I am paid a B1 pension - Why?

Signature of complainant (or representative)

[REDACTED]

Date 18th December 2015.

**N.B.**

**Dear Chief Fire Officer,**

**Prior correspondence on this matter with your Pension Service contractor the LCC YPS exists and you as my pension Scheme Manager should have copies of that correspondence and be aware of its contents. You should also have recorded this correspondence in my PRF.**