

# Insurance in Superannuation

## Key fact sheet



This fact sheet relates to our automatic default insurance cover for EmployeeSaver members.


Insurance can give you peace of mind, as it provides financial support to protect what's important to you if you die or are unable to work due to illness or injury.

Subject to eligibility\* we provide you with default cover, and premiums are paid from your super so you don't have to remember to pay for it.

If you or your employer stop making contributions, your **insurance premium will continue to be deducted from your super balance.**

You can **cancel** or apply to **change** your automatic default insurance cover at any time.

### What automatic default insurance cover is included?




	<b>Terminal Illness</b> Your death benefit may be paid in advance should you be diagnosed with a terminal illness. <sup>1</sup>	<b>Death</b> Provides your family or other dependents with a death benefit if you die.	<b>Total and Permanent Disability (TPD)</b> Pays a benefit if you're unlikely to ever work again due to illness or injury.	<b>Income Protection</b> Provides a replacement income if you're affected by an injury or illness that impacts your earnings.
Automatic cover	yes	yes	yes	yes
Automatic cover can start from age <sup>2</sup>	25	25	25	25
Cover ends at age	70	70	70 <sup>3</sup>	65
Are pre-existing medical conditions covered?	yes	yes	yes	yes
Pre-Existing conditions restrictions may apply <sup>4</sup>				
Is cover limited if employer contributions are not received? <sup>4</sup>	yes	yes	yes	yes
Insurance cover is cancelled if your account is inactive for 16 months and you do not opt-in to maintain insurance.				
Does work status at date of injury or illness affect cover?	no	no	yes	yes <sup>5</sup>
Is cover provided if a claim has previously been paid under the same type of cover?	no	n/a	no	yes
Is there a waiting period before a claim can be made?	no	no	yes 3 months <sup>6</sup>	yes <sup>7</sup>

### \*Eligibility requirements for default cover




- you elect to activate your default cover, or your account has ever reached \$6,000 and you are at least 25 years old, and have received a contribution or rollover into your account within the previous 16 months,
- you have not previously elected to opt out of default cover, and
- you have met the other eligibility requirements outlined in the Insurance Policy.<sup>5</sup>

1. Your death benefit may be paid in advance if two medical practitioners, one of whom is a specialist in the field to which the condition relates, certify that you are suffering from an illness likely to result in death within 12 months of certification (excluding pre-existing conditions).
2. The cover is available to members aged 14-69. Members who join at age 65 or over will receive death only cover as default. The cover automatically starts when your account reaches \$6,000 and you are at least 25 years old. Members who do not meet the automatic criteria for cover may be able to elect to activate their default cover.
3. If you are over age 65 and/or not a full-time employee, differing TPD definitions apply.
4. Pre-Existing Conditions restrictions may apply to your default cover and new member offer cover. Refer to the *Insurance Handbook* for details.
5. Refer to the *Insurance Handbook* available at [vicsuper.com.au/insurancehandbook](https://vicsuper.com.au/insurancehandbook) for details.
6. There are circumstances where 3 months waiting period may not apply. Refer to the *Insurance Handbook* for details.
7. Your default income protection cover has a 90-day waiting period and a two-year benefit period. You may be able to choose alternate waiting period and benefit period. Refer to the *Insurance Handbook*.

## What are your options?

Keep it 	Cancel it 	Tailor it 
<p><b>Keep the insurance cover.</b></p> <p>If you receive default cover, it's important that you review your insurance to make sure it meets your needs.</p> <p>If your account becomes inactive you can elect to continue your cover.</p> <p>It's important to review your cover if your circumstances or financial commitments change. For example, you change jobs, start a family, buy a property, divorce etc.</p> <p>View your cover anytime by logging on to MembersOnline.</p>	<p><b>Cancel your insurance cover.</b></p> <p>You can cancel your cover at any time by logging onto your VicSuper MembersOnline account or by completing the <i>Cancel your insurance</i> form (V255). You will not be able to make a claim with us for an event that occurs after your cover is cancelled.</p> <p>If your account has a low or nil balance and premiums have not been fully paid up to your cancellation date, further premium deductions may occur after your cancellation date. If you cancel your cover, any future request for cover will be subject to underwriting by our Insurer.</p>	<p><b>Change the cover to meet your needs.</b></p> <p>You can apply to change your insurance online.</p> <p>Simply log on to your VicSuper MembersOnline account to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• reduce your cover</li><li>• apply to increase your cover</li><li>• change your waiting period and/or benefit period for income protection cover.</li><li>• update your occupational rating.</li></ul>

## Frequently asked questions

What if I need to claim? 	Can I nominate beneficiaries? 	What if I change my super fund 
<p>Where you are applying for a death, terminal illness, TPD or income protection claim, we will guide you through the process and help you prepare your claim application.</p> <p>You can commence a claim by calling our Member Centre on <b>1300 366 216</b> or by logging on to MembersOnline and lodging your claim.</p>	<p>You can nominate who will receive your super if you pass away.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You can nominate your preferred beneficiaries any time via MembersOnline.</li><li>• You can also elect to have a binding nomination for your account.</li></ul>	<p>Before changing or consolidating super funds, make sure you can get the insurance cover you need, in your chosen fund.</p> <p>Be careful if you have a medical condition or are over age 60, as this could affect your eligibility for new cover.</p>

## Other eligibility requirements

The following may impact your insurance cover:

- No contributions from you or your employer are received for 16 months
- Changing or combining your superannuation accounts
- A change in your working hours or unemployment
- You are on extended employer approved leave

For further information, please refer to the product disclosure statement and *Insurance Handbook* available at [vicsuper.com.au/pds](https://vicsuper.com.au/pds) or if you have any questions, please call us on **1300 366 216**.

## Taking action is easy

VicSuper offers a range of insurance options – use this calculator to work out how much your chosen insurance cover will cost [vicsuper.com.au/calculators](https://vicsuper.com.au/calculators)

For more information on insurance in super visit the Australian Government website: [moneysmart.gov.au](https://moneysmart.gov.au)

## Get in touch

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