

## **Permanent emigration**

March 2019

Under KiwiSaver, if you have permanently emigrated from New Zealand to a country other than Australia, after one year you can apply to the Manager for approval to withdraw your funds and close your KiwiSaver account. Under this option, any government contributions you have received since joining will be returned to the Government. You keep any **interest earned** on the **government contributions**, and if you have received the \$1,000 kick-start you can also keep it.

If it is less than one year since you permanently emigrated, you also have the option at any time after permanently emigrating to transfer the balance of your account to a foreign superannuation scheme.

If you have permanently emigrated to Australia, you can apply to transfer your KiwiSaver scheme to your Australian superannuation scheme. Please see the Permanent Emigration to Australia form, available at <a href="https://www.superlife.co.nz">www.superlife.co.nz</a> or by calling us on 0800 27 87 37.

## **Application**

To apply to the Manager to withdraw your KiwiSaver account due to permanent emigration you will need to take the following steps:

- 1. Complete the attached form to apply to withdraw due to permanent emigration.
- 2. Complete the statutory declaration over the page, and have it signed by a Justice of the Peace (JP), or equivalent person able to witness statutory declarations.
- 3. Attach evidence to satisfy the Manager that you have permanently emigrated and have been gone from New Zealand for at least one year. This should include:
  - proof of departure from New Zealand such as travel arrangements;
  - certified copy of passport;
  - proof of an overseas address that you have resided at since leaving New Zealand;
  - visa details if relevant;
  - evidence to support your claim to have permanently emigrated, such as address details, employment confirmation, power bills, bank statements.
- 4. Send your application form together with the supporting documentation to us at <a href="mailto:superlife@superlife.co.nz">superlife@superlife.co.nz</a> or by post.
- 5. Your application will be considered by the Manager for approval, and the outcome advised to you.
- 6. If approved, your KiwiSaver account balance will be paid to your bank account and any government contributions will be refunded to the government.

## Permanent emigration withdrawal form



Complete this form to apply to the Manager to withdraw your account balance from the SuperLife KiwiSaver scheme ("SuperLife") due to having permanently emigrated from New Zealand to a country other than Australia. Send the completed form to us at <a href="mailto:superlife@superlife.co.nz">superlife@superlife.co.nz</a> or post to us at P.O. Box 105262, Auckland City 1143.

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