

WAC 415-113-057 Am I required to retire with a multiple system benefit? You are not required to retire with a multiple system benefit. You may elect to retire from a system or systems without the benefits or restrictions of chapter 41.54 RCW. If you choose to retire from more than one system without receiving a multiple system benefit, you are not subject to the maximum benefit limitation of RCW 41.54.070 and WAC 415-113-090(1).

(1) **Waiver of benefits.** If you decide not to receive a multiple system benefit, you waive the right to:

(a) Substitute your base salary between retirement systems for purposes of calculating a retirement allowance; or

(b) Combining your service from each system for purposes of determining retirement eligibility.

(2) **You are not required to retire with a multiple system benefit even if you repaid contributions as a dual member.** If you repaid previously withdrawn contributions from a prior dual member system under RCW 41.54.020, you may still elect to retire from one or more systems without receiving a multiple system benefit.

(3) **If you decline a multiple system benefit, you may withdraw your contributions.** If you elect to retire without receiving a multiple system benefit, you may withdraw your accumulated contributions from a system in lieu of receiving a retirement allowance, provided that withdrawal is otherwise permissible under the systems' provisions.

(4) **Defined terms used.** Definitions for the following terms used in this section may be found in the sections listed.

(a) "Accumulated contributions" - WAC 415-02-030.

(b) "Base salary" - RCW 41.54.010(1).

(c) "Dual member" - RCW 41.54.010(4), WAC 415-113-030.

(d) "Dual member system" - WAC 415-113-030.

(e) "Multiple system benefit" - WAC 415-113-030.

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