

Tier 3 ill-health certificate

For use where a review is taking place three or more years after the date the tier 3 pension was suspended and before normal retirement age

Employer: please complete this section	
Full name	WYPF reference
Former employer	Date left former employment
Date member asked for case to be reviewed	Date tier 3 pension suspended

At the date they left their former employment this person was:

- Considered to be suffering from a condition that renders them permanently incapable of discharging efficiently the duties of the relevant employment because of ill health or infirmity of mind or body; and
- They had a reduced likelihood of being capable of undertaking any gainful employment before normal retirement age (usually age 65); and
- They were awarded a short term, reviewable 3rd tier ill health pension which was subsequently suspended.

It is now necessary to determine, in accordance with regulation 20 of the benefits, membership & contributions regulations 2007 whether they are permanently incapable of undertaking any gainful employment before their normal retirement age.

Doctor: please complete this section

Please complete the information below, then turn over the page and complete the declaration. Please return this form to the **employer** – not the pension fund.

Ill health declaration

In my opinion, having considered their ill health or infirmity the person:

Is not permanently incapable of undertaking any gainful employment before their normal retirement age

OR

Is permanently incapable of undertaking any gainful employment before their normal retirement age, and the date the person became permanently incapable, based on available evidence is This date will be the date that the pension may be brought back into payment from.

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Notes

Permanently incapable means that the person will, more likely than not, be incapable until, at the earliest their normal retirement date, (which is usually age 65).

Gainful employment means paid employment for not less than 30 hours each week for a period of not less than 12 months.

The independent medical practitioner signing this certificate must have been approved for this purpose by West Yorkshire Pension Fund.

The independent medical practitioner is providing

an opinion on the person’s capability of undertaking gainful employment based solely on the effect the medical condition has on the ability to undertake gainful employment.

The opinion given by the approved registered medical practitioner does not in itself mean that the suspended pension can be brought back into payment or uplifted to a tier 2 benefit. It is the employer who makes the formal determination.

To be completed by the doctor

The independent registered medical practitioner signing this certificate does not have to be a different independent medical practitioner to the one who certified the person’s incapacity at the date they left the scheme.

Doctor’s name.....

Occupational Health qualification.....

Doctor’s address

Declaration

I, the above named doctor, hereby certify that:

- I am registered with the General Medical Council, and
- I hold:
 - a diploma in occupational health medicine (DOccMed), or
 - an equivalent qualification issued by a competent authority in an EEA state (with competent authority having the meaning given by Section 55(1) of the medical act 1983), or
 - I am an associate, a member, or a fellow of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine, or of an equivalent institution in an EEA state, and
- I have given due regard to the guidance issued by the secretary of state when competing this certificate.

Doctor’s signature.....

Date.....

Doctor’s stamp: