

Make provisions: Notify us of your partner

Your pension fund not only covers your occupational benefits but is also a form of insurance for your loved ones.

Notify us of your partner, so that they can benefit from the same benefits as spouses and receive a partner's pension. In this information sheet, you will find out the conditions that need to be met and how you can report your partner to us.

In addition, in the event of the death of a working person and – depending on the situation, also for pensioners (see the “Retirement” information sheet) – Profond pays out a lump sum payable at death to the survivors.

With your beneficiary order, you determine who should receive this lump sum payable at death. You can find out who can be appointed as a beneficiary and how to report your wishes in the information sheet “Lump sum payable at death”.

The statutory and regulatory provisions valid at the time of death apply to the payment of the partner's pension. Any changes are reserved.

Profond checks the entitlement to benefits only after the insured person's death. The person entitled to the claim must make the claim within three months.

Partner's pension

A surviving partner is entitled to a pension if the following conditions are met:

- You and your partner are unmarried, do not live in a registered partnership and there would also have been no legal grounds against marriage between you and your partner.
- You have lived with your partner for at least 5 years without interruption prior to your death, and you have notified Profond of your partner prior to your death using the “Notification of a life partnership” form.
or
You have notified Profond of your partner at least 5 years before your death with the “Notification of a life partnership” form. This is also possible if you have separate residences.
or
Your partner must pay for the maintenance of at least one child that you have together and you have notified Profond of your partner before your death using the “Notification of a life partnership” form.
- Your partner is not already receiving a spouse's or partner's pension at the time of your death and has not received a lump-sum payment in the past.

How to proceed

- Fill in the “Notification of a life partnership” form
- Send the form by e-mail to leistungen@profond.ch or by post to:
Profond Vorsorgeeinrichtung, Zollstrasse 62, 8005 Zürich
- Please re-submit the form if your life situation changes.

If you are married or live in a registered partnership, your spouse or your registered partner will automatically be entitled to a pension and you do not need to submit a form.