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# Retirement Plan Distributions and Related Taxes



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# Objectives

- After this seminar, you'll be able to:
  - Identify the different distribution methods available in SEPs, SIMPLEs, and 401(k) plans
  - Compare spouse and non-spouse beneficiary rules
  - Determine the taxes related to distributions



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# Step #1: Establish/Enroll in a Plan!

- Business benefits include:
  - Tax-deductible contributions
  - Attract & retain better employees
- Employee benefits include:
  - Compounding interest over time
  - Improve financial security



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# Distributions Before Retirement: Loans

- Which plans can allow loans?
  - SEP & SIMPLE: No
  - 401(k): Maybe
- Basic loan provisions
- Taxability concerns



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# Distributions Before Retirement: **Hardships**

- Immediate & heavy financial need
- Eligible account balances
- “Amount necessary” limits
- Taxes



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# Distributions Before Retirement: Divorce

- Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO)
  - Distribution options
  - Taxes



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# Distributions Before Retirement: **Early Distributions**

- Take it or Leave it?
  - Items to consider
- 10% Tax on early distributions
  - Exceptions to the tax



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# Distributions Before Retirement: **Termination of Employment**

- Rollovers rules
  - Direct
  - Automatic
  - Roth 401(k)/IRA
  - Withholding requirements





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# Distributions Before Retirement: **Termination of Employment**

- Distributable events
  - 401(k)
  - SEP/SIMPLE

# Distributions at Retirement:

- When do benefits start?
- How do I receive my benefits?
- Updating beneficiaries
- Taxes and withholding
- Important! - Required Minimum Distributions (RMD)



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# Distributions After Death: Beneficiary is Spouse

- Spouse defined
- Distribution and rollover options
  - 401(k)
  - IRAs
- Taxes



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# Distributions After Death: Non-Spouse Beneficiary

- Distribution and rollover options
  - 401(k)
  - IRAs
- Taxes



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# Reporting Requirements

- Retirement income
- Social Security income
- Forms
  - 1099R
  - 1040
  - 5329



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# Oops! I Forgot...

- What to do if I missed...
  - The 60-day rollover timeframe
  - My RMD payment



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## Related Publications

- Publication 4190 – *Tax Guide for the Retiree*
- Publication 575 – *Pension and Annuity Income*
- Publication 554 – *Tax Guide for Seniors*



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# Assistance

- Publications
- 800-TAX-FORM (829-3676)
- [www.IRS.gov/retirement](http://www.IRS.gov/retirement)
- Newsletters