



What is an IRS 1099-R?

The 1099-R is a tax statement that reports distributions from pensions, annuities, retirement plans, profit sharing plans, IRAs, or insurance contracts.

The enclosed form reports taxable distributions from your annuity made in the year 2018.

- The 1099-R is mailed to payees in late January.
- It includes both full and partial distributions.
- If you have more than one annuity with a taxable distribution, you will receive a 1099-R for each account.
- If you took a distribution from your IRA, even if the amount was rolled over into another IRA, you will receive a 1099-R.
- If your form shows federal income tax withheld, attach copy B of your 1099-R to your tax return and retain copy C for your files.
- If you transferred proceeds directly from one IRA to another IRA, or exchanged funds among subaccounts held in the same annuity, John Hancock is not required to report them and did not report them on your 1099-R.

Common questions

Why did I receive a 1099-R?

You may have received this form for a number of reasons, including:

- Any distribution that was not a direct trustee-to-trustee transfer
- Any tax-reportable owner change
- Any defaulted 403(b) loan
- A Roth IRA conversion

Why is the rollover from my IRA reported on my 1099-R?

All distributions and rollover transactions are reportable to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on the 1099-R. If your IRA was rolled over to another IRA investment, the new trustee will also report that amount to you and the IRS on Form 5498, which is typically mailed in May.

I have reviewed all of the information provided and I think there is a discrepancy. How can I correct this?

Please call our customer service representatives at 1-800-624-5155 Monday through Friday, between 8 $_{\text{A.M.}}$ and 5 $_{\text{P.M.}}$ Eastern Time.

Where can I get more help and/or information?

Due to varying individual tax circumstances and the complex nature of applicable tax laws, consult with your own tax professional and/or the IRS with specific tax questions.

Notice of federal withholding

The income portion of your payments is subject to federal income tax withholding unless you elect not to have withholding apply.

The federal withholding election you previously made will remain in effect unless you notify us that you wish to change it for future payments. You may change withholding elections whenever you wish by contacting us at 1-800-624-5155 for instructions. Unless your state allows you to request a change, any state withholding will also continue.

If you elect not to have federal withholding apply to your payments, or if you do not have enough tax withheld, you may be responsible for payment of estimated tax. You may incur penalties under the estimated tax rules if your withholding and estimated tax payments are not sufficient

In order to elect out of federal withholding, you must provide John Hancock with a properly completed IRS Form W-9.

Please contact John Hancock if you have moved so that we can update your address on file and ensure you receive important tax information.

The information displayed in your 1099-R is described below:

