

## REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MOTHER'S OR FATHER'S INSURANCE BENEFITS

### CHANGES TO BE REPORTED AND HOW TO REPORT

FAILURE TO REPORT MAY RESULT IN OVERPAYMENTS THAT MUST BE  
REPAID, AND IN POSSIBLE MONETARY PENALTIES

- ▶ You change your mailing address for checks or residence. *(To avoid delay in receipt of checks you should ALSO file a regular change of address notice with your post office.)*
- ▶ Your citizenship or immigration status changes.
- ▶ You go outside the U.S.A. for 30 consecutive days or longer.
- ▶ Any beneficiary dies or becomes unable to handle benefits.
- ▶ Work Changes - On your application you told us you expect total earnings for \_\_\_\_\_ to be \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▶ You begin to receive a government pension or annuity (from the Federal government or any State or any political subdivision thereof) or your pension or annuity amount changes.
- ▶ You have an unsatisfied warrant for your arrest for a crime or attempted crime that is a felony (or, in jurisdictions that do not define crimes as felonies, a crime that is punishable by death or imprisonment for a term exceeding 1 year.)
- ▶ You have an unsatisfied warrant for a violation of probation or parole under Federal or State law.

### WORK AND EARNINGS

For those under full retirement age, the law requires that a report of earnings be filed with SSA within 3 months and 15 days after the end of any taxable year in which you earn more than the annual exempt amount. You may contact SSA to file a report. Otherwise, SSA will use the earnings reported by your employer(s) and your self-employment tax return (if applicable) as the report of earnings required by law and adjust benefits under the earnings test. It is your responsibility to ensure that the information you give concerning your earnings is correct. You must furnish additional information as needed when your benefit adjustment is not correct based on the earnings on your record.

You  (are)  (are not) earning wages of more than \$\_\_\_\_\_ a month.

You  (are)  (are not) self-employed rendering substantial services in your trade or business.

(Report AT ONCE if this work pattern changes)

- ▶ Change of Marital Status - Marriage, divorce, annulment of marriage. You must report marriage even if you believe that an exception applies.
- ▶ Custody Change or Disability Improves - Report if a person for whom you are filing, or who is in your care dies, leaves your care or custody, changes address, or, if disabled, the condition improves.
- ▶ You are confined to jail, prison, penal institution or correctional facility for conviction of a crime or you are confined to a public institution by court order in connection with a crime.

### HOW TO REPORT

You can make your reports by telephone, mail, or in person, whichever you prefer.

If you are awarded benefits, and one or more of the above change(s) occur, you should report by:

- ▶ Calling us TOLL FREE at 1-800-772-1213;
- ▶ If you are deaf or hearing impaired, calling us TOLL FREE at TTY 1-800-325-0778; or
- ▶ Calling, visiting or writing your local Social Security office at the phone number and address shown on your claim receipt.

For general information about Social Security, visit our web site at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

### NOTICE ABOUT DOCUMENTS

We recommend that you keep all documents you submitted to us.

We are returning the documents you submitted with this claim.

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**Collection and Use of Information From Your Application**  
**Privacy Act Notice**

The Social Security Administration (SSA) is authorized to collect the information on this form under sections 202, 205, and 223 of the Social Security Act. The information you provide will be used by SSA to determine if you or a dependent is eligible to insurance coverage and/or monthly benefits. While completion of this form is voluntary, failure to provide all or any part of the requested information may effect our ability to make an accurate and timely decision concerning your entitlement or a dependent's entitlement to benefit payments.

The information you furnish on this form may be disclosed by SSA as generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. § 522a(b) of the Privacy Act, as amended. This includes using the information: (1) to assist Social Security in establishing the right of an individual to Social Security benefits; (2) to facilitate statistical research and audit activities necessary to assure the integrity and improvement of the Social Security programs; and (3) to comply with Federal laws requiring the release of information from our records.

SSA may also use the information you give us when we match records by computer. Matching programs compare our records with those of other Federal, State, or local government agencies. Many agencies may use matching programs to find or prove that a person qualifies for benefits paid by the Federal government. The law allows SSA to do this even if you do not agree to it.

Explanation about reasons why information you provide us may be used or provided to other agencies are available upon request from a Social Security office.

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**Paperwork Reduction Act Statement** - This information collection meets the requirements of 44 U.S.C. § 3507, as amended by Section 2 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. You do not need to answer these questions unless we display a valid Office of Management and Budget control number. We estimate that it will take about 15 minutes to read the instructions, gather the facts, and answer the questions. **SEND OR BRING THE COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR LOCAL SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE. The office is listed under U. S. Government agencies in your telephone directory or you may call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).** You may send comments on our time estimate above to: SSA, 6401 Security Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401. **Send only comments relating to our time estimate to this address, not the completed form.**