

Maternity / Paternity

What happens to my pension when I am on maternity or paternity leave?

- If you are receiving contractual or statutory pay, your pensionable service will continue to increase.
- If you are not receiving any pay, you will no longer be a member of the scheme.

What level of contributions will I have to pay?

- Contributions will be based on the pay you get while absent.

What happens if I adopt a child and have leave of absence?

- This absence will be treated the same as maternity or paternity absence, provided you are receiving contractual or statutory pay.



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What happens to my pension if I decide to take a longer break after my contractual and statutory pay has expired?

You can:

- leave your service in the scheme and this can add to any further service you do in the future. If the break is for more than five years, you would be treated as a new entrant upon returning;
- transfer your pension to another scheme;
- take your contributions out of the scheme if you have less than two years' service.

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