

**SAN MATEO COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION**

**RESOLUTION 2020-14**

**RESOLUTION DEFINING PENSIONABLE COMPENSATION  
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §7522.34 FOR MEMBERS  
WHO ARE NOT SUBJECT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §31461**

**WHEREAS**, for those members who became active members on or after January 1, 2013, and who are subject to the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act contained in Government Code §7522 et seq., the determination of their pensionable compensation is governed by Government Code §7522.34; and

**WHEREAS**, the pensionable compensation for those employee members who are subject to Government Code §7522.34 shall be the normal monthly rate of pay or base pay of the member paid in cash to similarly situated members of the same group or class of employment for services rendered on a full-time basis during normal working hours, pursuant to publicly available pay schedules; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has reviewed the current pay items and has determined which of those items are to be included in "pensionable compensation" and which items are not to be included; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary for this Board, from time to time, to amend its determinations of pensionable compensation due to changes made by SamCERA employers in their compensation schedules as well as changes in the law; Therefore, be it;

**RESOLVED**, Resolution number 2020-08 is rescinded, and pursuant to Government Code §7522.34 as interpreted by the courts, the Board hereby makes the following determinations to be effective September 1, 2020, as to what is included in "pensionable compensation" and items of remuneration that are not included:

1. Pensionable compensation shall include:

Pay Code	Description
001	Regular hours worked
001-G	Regular hours worked (grace paid)
001-M	Regular hours work (mandatory meeting)
001-T	Regular hours worked (training)
001-TW	Regular hours worked (telecom)
006	Sheriff's 84/12 Plan
00680	84/12 Plan (Sheriff)
010	Release time with pay
011	Night shift differential-com dispatch
013	Night shift differential
014	Special night shift differential
015	Special duty hours
016	Inspection/Testing/Repair with a Certification

Pay Code	Description
019	Charge nurse shift differential
020	Split shift
021-L1	Bilingual pay
021-L2	Bilingual pay
022	Staffing differential
023	Weekend pay
033	Bomb squad (flight/observer/pilot)
035	Sick leave with pay
035B	Sick Leave Supplemental Pay
036	Sick leave with pay (work-related injury)
041	Vacation hours with pay
041-A	X-Vacation hours with pay
041B	Vacation Supplemental pay
041H	Vacation hours with pay on holiday
043	Holiday hours regular pay
043CNA	Holiday premium for PT CNA
044	Holiday worked at 1.5
045	Holiday hours worked at straight time
045-P	Holiday hours worked at straight time
048	Accumulated holiday hours taken
048-A	X-Accumulated holiday hours taken
048B	Accumulated Holiday Supplemental pay
048H	Holiday hours taken on holiday
052	Comp time hours used
052-A	X-Comp/Admin leave hours used
052B	Comp Time Supplemental pay
052H	Comp time hours used on holiday
054	Administrative leave
055	Jury duty with pay
056	Military leave with pay
057	Educational leave with pay
058	Other leave with pay
059	Disability leave with pay
064	Management overtime used
087	Bi-weekly special pay
090	Voluntary time off used
093	Furlough w/o pay used with payment of contributions
1TW	Regular Hours Teleworked
104	LTC shift differential
104B	LTC shift differential adjustment
110	Compulsory time off
112	Bereavement leave
131	Winter Recess HRs Regular Pay

Pay Code	Description
133	Accumulated Winter Recess Hrs Taken
313	LC4850 night shift differential
315	LC4850 special duty
359	LC4850 disability with pay
557	Educational lv with pay
635	Emergency Sick Leave
636	Emergency FMLA Paid
641	Essential Worker COVID19 Leave
30680	LC4850WC 84/12 plan shf

2. Pensionable compensation, at a minimum, shall not include, in any case, the following payitems.  
A. The following pay codes are not included:

Pay Code	Description
007	E.H. relief nurse shift differential
009	E.H. relief nurse shift differential
025	Call back pay
025-P	Call back pay (premium)
025S	Call back pay SART nurses
025-S	Call back pay SART nurses
026	Part-time double shift differential
027	On-call hours
028	On call E.H. relief nurse
029	Part-time double shift differential
037	Layoff sick leave
040	Terminal vacation
042	Mandatory time off unpaid
045O	Holiday hours worked at straight time-overflow
046	Holiday hours accrued
046CNA	Holiday premium hours accrued for PT CNA
046-P	Holiday hours accumulated at straight time
047	Holiday hours accrued at 1.5
049	Terminal holiday pay
050	Terminal compensatory pay
051	Comp Time Earned at 1.5
051-P	Premium portion for call back
053	Comp time earned at straight time
060	Absent without leave
061	Leave without pay
061-A	X-Leave without pay
062	Disability leave without pay
063	Terminal MOT Pay
065	Overtime training hours
066	Overtime at time and one-half

Pay Code	Description
069	Overtime special duty desk officer
069-P	Overtime for mandatory meeting
070	Overtime special duty
073	Overtime special duty night shift
075	Overtime night shift premium hours
076	Rest period differential
079	Overtime special shift differential
080	Uniform/tool allowance
080A	Uniform/tool allowance annual
081	Transportation allowance
083	Worker's compensation payment
084	Employee incentives
085	Disability payment
086	Taxable benefits-DP
088	Miscellaneous special pay
089	Relocation Allowance
091	Terminal VTO pay
096	County Deferred Comp Contribution
097	Miscellaneous terminal pay
101	LTD payments
102	Annual in-service mgmt administrative leave cash-outs
103	FMLA earnings
105	Miscellaneous subsidies
106	FSLA adjustments
106 80	FSLA adjustment for 84/12
106 980-P1	FSLA adjustment 9/80 period 1
106 980-P2	FSLA adjustment 9/80 period 2
107	Overtime at straight time
108	Comp hours earned at straight time (OT)
111	Terminal compulsory time off
125	Call back pay st.
127	On-call days/hours – Post 2012
132	Winter Recess Hours Accrued
134	Terminal Winter Recess Pay
203	Wellness Dividend
225	Call back pay flat rate
383	LC4850 worker's compensation payment
502	Admin leave cash out w/1-time deferred comp
637	Emergency FMLA Unpaid
637M	Emergency FMLA Unpaid
640	Terminal EW COVID19 Leave
642	Essential Worker Onsite
642M	Essential Worker Onsite Memo Note
803	SART nurses meeting/service flat rate

Pay Code	Description
804	SART nurses training and education flat rate
827	Special on call
P25	Call in phone

- B. Pursuant to Government Code §7522.34, pensionable compensation does not include the following:
- 1) Any compensation determined by the Board to have been paid to increase a member's retirement benefit.
  - 2) Compensation that had previously been provided in kind to the member by the employer or paid directly by the employer to a third party other than the retirement system for the benefit of the member and which was converted to and received by the member in the form of a cash payment. Any one-time or ad hoc payments made to a member.
  - 3) Severance or any other payment that is granted or awarded to a member in connection with or in anticipation of a separation from employment but is received by the member while employed.
  - 4) Payments for unused vacation, annual leave, personal leave, sick leave, or compensatory time off, however denominated, whether paid in a lump sum or otherwise, regardless of when reported or paid.
  - 5) Payments for additional services rendered outside of normal working hours, whether paid in a lump sum or otherwise.
  - 6) Any employer-provided allowance, reimbursement, or payment, including, but not limited to, one made for housing, vehicle, or uniforms.
  - 7) Compensation for overtime work, other than as defined in Section 207(k) of Title 29 of the United States Code.
  - 8) Employer contributions to deferred compensation or defined contribution plans.
  - 9) Any bonus paid in addition to the compensation described in subdivision (a) of Government Code §7522.34.
  - 10) Any other form of compensation the Board determines is inconsistent with the requirements of subdivision §7522.34 (a).
  - 11) Any other form of compensation that this Board determines should not be pensionable compensation.
3. Pursuant to Government Code §7522.10, whenever pensionable compensation, as defined in §7522.34, is used in the calculation of a benefit, the pensionable compensation shall be subject to the monetary limitations set forth in subdivision §7522.10.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the above listed determinations by the Board of what is included or not included in pensionable compensation, shall be in effect until such time as this Board, the Legislature, or the Courts take action that as a matter of law requires a different determination.

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*Regularly passed and adopted, by the San Mateo County Employees' Retirement Association, Board of Retirement, on August 25, 2020.*

*Ayes, Trustees:* Arnott, Battey, David, Hackleman, Hoefer, O'Malley and Raw.

*Noes, Trustees:* None.

*Absent, Trustees:* Bowler and Tashman.

*Abstain, Trustees:* None.

  
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