

§ 831.1501 Definitions.

(a) *Allotment* means a specified deduction from the annuity payments due an annuitant voluntarily authorized by the annuitant to be paid to an allottee.

(b) *Allottee* means the institution or organization to which the allotment is paid.

(c) *Allotter* means the annuitant from whose annuity payments an allotment is deducted.

(d) *Annuity Payments* means the net monthly annuity payment due an annuitant after all authorized deductions (such as those for health benefits, Federal income tax, overpayment of annuity, payment of a government claim, etc. have been made.

§ 831.1511 Authorized allottees.

(a) An annuitant may make an allotment to the national office or headquarters of any of the following organizations:

(1) A labor organization recognized under Executive Order 11491, as amended;

(2) An employee organization recognized under 5 U.S.C. 8901(8);

(3) Other lawful organizations which:

(i) Are national in scope,

(ii) Are nonprofit and noncommercial, existing primarily for the purpose of representing employee or annuitant interests in their dealings with employing agencies or OPM,

(iii) Consist primarily of Federal employees and/or annuitants, and

(iv) Existed as of December 23, 1975.

(b) OPM, in its sole discretion, may approve the individual organizations which may receive allotments only after the organization has collected, in accordance with procedures prescribed by OPM, a minimum of two thousand (2,000) allotment authorizations from civil service annuitants.

(c) OPM shall permit an annuitant to make an allotment to an organization only when:

(1) The organization has been approved as an allottee by OPM, and

(2) The organization has agreed in writing to solicit and process allotments in accordance with requirements prescribed by OPM.

§ 831.1521 Limitations.

(a) The amount of any allotment may not be less than one dollar (\$1) and, in the absence of compelling circumstances, shall be in whole dollars.

(b) The total amount of any allotment(s) may not exceed the net monthly annuity due the allotter.

(c) An annuitant may make only one allotment payable to the same allottee at the same time and may make no more than a total of two allotments.

(d) Payment of an allotment shall be discontinued when the allotter's annuity payments are terminated or suspended by OPM.

(e) Allotments shall be disbursed on one of the regularly designated paydays of the allotter in accordance with OPM's agreement with the allottee.

(f) Allottees shall agree that OPM shall be held harmless for any authorized allotment request made by an allottee in accordance with the allottee's agreement with OPM.

(g) Allottees shall agree that disputes regarding any authorized allotment shall be a matter between the allotter and the allottee.

(h) The total number of allottees shall be limited to twenty (20), with first preference given to those organizations participating in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. Thereafter, preference shall be based on the date of application and the number of annuitants who have completed allotment authorizations.

(i) OPM, in its discretion, shall recover from the allottee, the incremental costs of making allotments.

(j) OPM, in its sole discretion, may terminate an allottee's participation in the allotment program described by this subpart at any time in accordance with its agreement with the allottee.

Subparts P–Q [Reserved]**Subpart R—Agency Requests to OPM for Recovery of a Debt from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund**

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