Benefits 101—Important Events, Required Action: Annual Pension Verification Process

Like Death and Taxes, this is a mandatory thing.

As a Pensioner, each July you will receive an Annual Pension Verification (APV) packet from the Southern California IBEW-NECA Pension Plan that includes forms that you need to complete and send back to the Fund Office.

The Fund Office sends this packet every year to verify that you have received all of your pension checks from the prior year, verify your mailing address, update your file with any new information, and verify that you are not working in any employment prohibited by the Plan rules.

In September, we send out reminders to everyone who still needs to complete their forms and mail them in. OK, so what happens if you don’t?

You need to complete and return the forms in your APV packet as soon as possible. If you fail to do so, your pension checks will be withheld and your participation in the Southern California IBEW-NECA Health Trust Fund — Retiree Health Plan will be cancelled beginning on January 1.

The responsibility is always yours; don’t ever allow your benefits to lapse.

For additional information, watch this short [video](#) on the APV process.

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