



Montana Public Employee Retirement Administration  
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## OPTIONAL PERS MEMBERSHIP - LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL For Non-PERS Members

OPTIONAL MEMBER INFORMATION		
Last Name	First Name, MI	Social Security Number *
Date of Birth	Local Government Entity	
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Daytime Phone Number (     )	Email Address	Date Officially Took Office:
Type Of Position (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Councilman <input type="checkbox"/> Commissioner <input type="checkbox"/> Other_____		
<p>Participation in the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is optional if you are elected to a local government position and are not an existing member of PERS. If you choose to participate in PERS, regular contributions will be deducted from your compensation as a local government elected official. (§ 19-3-412, MCA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You cannot participate in PERS if you do not file this election within 90 days of taking office. Further, if you decline participation (or fail to elect to participate within this period), you may not later become a member if reelected to the same position.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> If you elect to participate in PERS, and you become active in another PERS-covered position, you must terminate <u>all</u> PERS-covered employment, including your elected position, to be eligible for retirement benefits.</p>		
MEMBERSHIP ELECTION - To Be Completed by Local Elected Official		
<input type="checkbox"/> I <b>choose</b> to participate in PERS while serving as a local elected official.		<input type="checkbox"/> I <b>decline</b> to participate in PERS while serving as a local elected official.
Signature		Date

Return this form to your payroll clerk to file with MPERA within 90 days of taking office.