

The Firefighters' Pensions (England) SAB



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Training

Legal requirements

A member of the pension board of a public service pension scheme must be conversant with:

- the rules of the scheme, and
- any document recording policy about the administration of the scheme which is for the time being adopted in relation to the scheme.

A member of a pension board must have knowledge and understanding of:

- the law relating to pensions, and
- any other matters which are prescribed in regulations.

The degree of knowledge and understanding required is that appropriate for the purposes of enabling the individual to properly exercise the functions of a member of the pension board

Practical guidance

The legislative requirements about knowledge and understanding only apply to pension board members. However, scheme managers should take account of this guidance as it will support them in understanding the legal framework and enable them to help pension board members to meet their legal obligations

Schemes should establish and maintain policies and arrangements for acquiring and retaining knowledge and understanding to support their pension board members. Schemes should designate a person to take responsibility for ensuring that a framework is developed and implemented.

However, it is the responsibility of individual pension board members to ensure that they have the appropriate degree of knowledge and understanding to enable them to properly exercise their functions as a member of the pension board.

The tabs below break down areas of, the degree of knowledge and understanding required, as well as how do you acquire, review, maintain and demonstrate knowledge and understanding.

We also provide details of the LGA Local Pension Board Training, resources available including the Pension Regulator's Public Service toolkit as well as sample training sessions which have been held previously.

Areas of knowledge and understanding required

Degree of knowledge and understanding required

Acquiring, reviewing and updating knowledge and understanding

Demonstrating knowledge and understanding

LGA LPB Training

Reference sources and documents

Sample training resources and presentations



Useful Links

[CLG Archive](#)

[FPS Regulations and Guidance](#)

[FPS Member website](#)

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme Statistics](#)

[HMRC Pensions Tax Manual](#)

[Local Government Association](#)

[LGA Pensions page](#)

[LGPS Scheme Advisory Board](#)

[Scottish Public Pensions Agency](#)

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