NEW YORK CITY FIRE PENSION FUND

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Application to buyback prior membership from NYC / NYS Retirement System under Chapter 646 of the Laws of 1999

This law amends section 645 of the RSSL and permits a member, who was previously a member of any New York public retirement system, to be deemed to have become a member of the current retirement system as of the original date of such previous ceased membership. If membership in the prior retirement system is based on certain designated law enforcement service, such service will be credited as "allowable" up-front service towards the required 20-year period. For this purpose, such service shall include:

a) Uniform service in the police department, fire department or sanitation department of the City of New York or the State of New York of any agency of political subdivision there of;
b) Service as a peace officer as specified in section 2.10 of the Criminal Procedure Law (CPL); or
c) Service in the title of sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, district attorney investigator, or other State law enforcement position.

Except for the service indicated above, all other service, if you still wish to purchase, will be "Other Credited Service," which counts as additional service credit after the completion of twenty (20) years in the fire pension system.

Eligible applicants under this law who are "Tier 2" members are eligible for a shift to "Tier 1" if their prior membership was in "Tier 1".

An inquiry is sent to the member's prior retirement system for verification of funds refunded, membership dates and credited length of service. Upon notification from the prior retirement system, the member is sent a notice to repay the amount of contributions refunded, if any, at the time such previous membership ceased, together with interest at the rate of 5% compounded annually from the date of such repayment to the date of calculation. Members must make payment within thirty (30) days of their notice. They do have the option of utilizing funds from the Deferred Compensation (457) Plan to purchase this and other service without penalty or taxes.

Members should also be aware that service purchased under this statue would affect their rate of contribution. The rate of contribution will be adjusted; once payment is made, to the rate according to your age at the start of the service acquired/purchased.

Members applying for this credit must complete and submit the attached form, Ch 646 of the Laws of 1999, to the New York City Fire Pension Fund by mail, fax or email.

If you have any question pertaining to this application, please contact the Buyback Unit at (929) 436-0099, ext 8004.

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Title:_____ **Name:**_____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:**_____ **Zip:** _____

Tax Number:_____ **Reference Number:** _____

Contact No.: _____ **Work No.:**_____

Email_____

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Prior Retirement system information:

Prior employer: _____

Prior title: _____

Prior Membership Start date:_____**End Date:**_____

Prior retirement system name: (please check one). If more than one retirement system, please complete a separate application.

☐ **New York State and Local Employees Retirement System**
☐ **New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System**
☐ **New York State Teachers Retirement System**
☐ **New York City Teachers Retirement System**
☐ **New York City Employees Retirement System**
☐ **New York City Board of Education Retirement System**
☐ **New York City Police Pension Fund**
☐ **FDNY Sub-Chapter 2 Pension Fund (only check if you are buying back previously uncredited uniform Fire Department service)**
☐ **Unsure**

Prior retirement system Tax Id number: _____

Did you withdraw your prior membership contributions? Enter (Yes or No or Unsure)_____**.**

I am hereby applying for reinstatement to my former date of membership with the retirement system indicated above. I understand that this application may result in the receipt of additional non-uniform pension credit as well as a change in my membership tier. I also understand that I may owe pension contributions to the New York City Fire Pension Fund in consideration for this credit and or tier change. Finally, I certify that the prior membership applied for in this application has not been transferred to any other retirement system.

Signature _____ **DATE**_____