

# HOW TO CALCULATE THE MONTHLY EARNED INTEREST FOR BERS TAX DEFERRED ANNUITY ACCOUNTS

## Tax Deferred Annuity (TDA) Program

The TDA Program offers a choice of two investment options, the Fixed Program and the Variable Program.

The Fixed Program offers you a guaranteed annual rate of return on your investment, set by the New York State legislature. The return on the Fixed Program is currently 7% for UFT members and 8.25% for all other members. The return on the Variable Program is based on stock market fluctuations.

## **CALCULATION EXAMPLES**

#### **UFT Rate:**

TDA annual interest rate = 7%
Daily interest factor = 0.07/365 = 0.00019178

## Other member rate:

TDA annual interest rate = **8.25**%

Daily interest factor = **0.0825/365** = **0.00022603** 

Interest is compounded annually.

# **Example 1:**

Member A started the TDA program on July 1, 2017 and contributes 35% to the TDA every biweekly pay check. The applicable TDA interest rate is 8.25%.

### JULY INTEREST CALCULATION:

July 14 contribution..... = \$1,230.53 July 28 contribution ..... = \$1,963.19

End of month interest on July 14 contribution =  $0.00022603 \times 1,230.53 \times 18 \text{ days} = \dots$  \$5.01 End of month interest on July 28 contribution =  $0.00022603 \times 1,963.19 \times 4 \text{ days} = \dots$  \$1.77

**Total July 2017 interest = \$6.78** 

### **AUGUST INTEREST CALCULATION:**

July contributions ...... = \$3,193.72 July interest ..... = \$6.78 August 11 contribution ...... = \$1,230.53 August 25 contribution ...... = \$1,230.53

End of month interest on August 11 contribution =  $0.00022603 \times \$1,230.53 \times 21 \text{ days} = \dots \$5.84$ End of month interest on August 25 contribution =  $0.00022603 \times \$1,230.53 \times 7 \text{ days} = \dots \$1.95$ End of month interest on July contribution =  $0.00022603 \times \$3,193.72 \times 31 \text{ days} = \dots \$22.38$ 

Total August 2017 interest = \$30.17

# **Example 2:**

Member B, a UFT member, started the TDA program on October 31, 2016 and now contributes 5% to the TDA every pay check, paid on the 15th and last day of every month. The applicable TDA interest rate is 7%.

Total contributions as July 31, 2017 = \$2,407.47  Total interest accumulated as at December 31, 2016 = \$3.67  August 15 contribution = \$131.61	
August 31 contribution = \$131.61	
End of month Interest on August 15 contribution End of month Interest on August 31 contribution	= 0.00019178 x \$131.61 x 1 day = \$0.03
End of month Interest on all contributions through July 31, 2017	= 0.00019178 x \$2,407.47 x 31 days = \$14.31
End of month interest on all interest through December 31, 2016	= 0.00019178 x \$3.67 x 31 days = \$0.02
	Total August 2017 interest = \$14.79

## **Example 3:**

Member C started the TDA program on Mar 1, 1999 and now contributes 30% to the TDA every biweekly pay check. The applicable TDA interest rate is 8.25%.

Total contributions (including conversions) as July 31, 2017= Total interest accumulated as at December 31, 2016	= \$101,319.24 = \$1,318.09
End of month Interest on August 10 contribution	= 0.00022603 x \$1,318.09 x 22 days = \$6.55
End of month Interest on August 24 contribution End of month Interest on all contributions through July 31, 201	7= 0.00022603 x \$467,465.50 x 31 days = \$3,275.50
End of month interest on all interest through December 31, 20	16 = <b>0.00022603</b> x \$101,319.24 x 31 days = \$709.94

**Total August 2017 interest = \$3,993.39** 

Note: The number of days of interest for contributions made within the interest month is equal to the number of days from Pay Date to the end of the month (inclusive).



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