

APPLICATION FOR CHILD'S ANNUITY

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Section 1 General Instructions

Before you complete this application, be sure to read booklet RB-17, Survivor Annuities, which explains information you will need to answer many of the questions in this application. Also be sure to read the important notices at the end of the booklet.

If filing for a child's disability also complete Form AA-19a. If filing for a student's annuity also complete Form G-315.

Type or print legibly in ink. If you need more space than is provided to answer a question, use Section 10 for this purpose. If you do not know the answer to a question, print "Unknown" in the space provided for the answer.

When entering dates, always use numbers. Also, be sure there is one number in each box. For example, you would enter ~~February 13, 2000~~, as:
June 6, 2012

MONTH	DAY	YEAR
0	6	2
x	x	x
x	x	x

Some items in this application will not apply to you so you will not need to answer them. Based on your answer to a question, you may be told to skip to another item number, or even another section. Follow the instructions that tell you to "Go to" another item. These are designed to save you time and help you move through the application form quickly, filling in only necessary information. **If no "Go to" instructions are given, answer the next item in order. Do not skip any items unless directed to do so.**

If you are completing this application on behalf of the child, you must answer each question as it applies to **the child**.

Section 2 Identifying Information

Check the information entered by the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) for Items 1 through 6 for accuracy.

- If the information is correct, **go to Section 3**.
- If the information is not correct, cross out the incorrect information and enter the correct information above it.
- If the information is missing, fill it in.

Employee Identification	1	EMPLOYEE'S NAME →		
	2	EMPLOYEE'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER →		
	3	EMPLOYEE'S RAILROAD RETIREMENT CLAIM NUMBER →		
Applicant Identification	4	APPLICANT'S NAME →		
	5	a	STREET ADDRESS →	
		b	CITY AND STATE →	
		c	ZIP CODE →	
		d	COUNTY →	
6	DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER →			

Section 3 Information About The Employee

If a railroad retirement survivor benefit was previously received by someone, **go to Section 4**; otherwise **go to Item 7**.

Birth Date	7 Enter the employee's date of birth.	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
Residence	8 Enter the state (or country if other than United States) which was the employee's permanent home at the time of death.				
	If the employee was age 62 or older when he or she died, go to Item 10 .				
Disability	9 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee was unable to work at the time of death because of an illness or accident which occurred at least five months before death.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Military Service	Please read the section "Credit for Employee's Military Service" in the RB-17 booklet to find out how active military service is determined.				
	10 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee was in active military service after September 7, 1939.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Note and Item 11 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 13			
	Note: If answered "Yes," you will have to submit proof of the employee's military service. If you cannot submit proof, show the branch of the service and the beginning and ending dates for each period of service in Section 10.				
	11 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee had voluntary military service during the period June 15, 1948, through December 15, 1950.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 12 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 13			
12 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee had nonrailroad earnings after leaving the military service and before returning to the railroad.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
Recent Employment	13 Regardless of whether the employee was retired at death, show the name and address of each railroad or non-railroad employer for whom the employee performed any part-time or full-time work during the last 3 years he or she worked. Print the name and address of the most recent employer in a , the second in b , and so on. Enter the date each job began and ended.				
	Name and Address of Employer				
	a. Name	Began		Ended	
		Month	Year	Month	Year
	Street Address	City, State & ZIP Code			
	b. Name	Began		Ended	
	Month	Year	Month	Year	
Street Address	City, State & ZIP Code				
c. Name	Began		Ended		
	Month	Year	Month	Year	
Street Address	City, State & ZIP Code				
Self-Employment	14 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee was self-employed during any of the last three calendar years.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 15 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 17			
	15 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee's net earnings from self-employment were more than \$400 in any of the last three calendar years.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 16 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 17			
	16 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box(es) to show the year or years in which the employee's net earnings from self-employment were more than \$400.	<input type="checkbox"/> This year <input type="checkbox"/> Last year <input type="checkbox"/> Year before last			

Railroad Employment	<p>Answer Items 17 and 18 only if the employee was alive on October 1, 1981, and he or she had at least 25 years of railroad service; otherwise go to Item 19.</p> <p>Please read the section <i>"Requirements The Employee Must Have Met"</i> in the RB-17 booklet to find out what special conditions may apply if the employee was alive on October 1, 1981, and had at least 25 years of railroad service.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Note: You may be requested to submit proof to verify the statements made in Items 17 and 18.</p>									
	<p>17 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee "involuntarily and without fault":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● stopped working for his or her last railroad employer on or after October 1, 1975, or ● was on furlough, leave of absence status, or absent because of injury on October 1, 1975, and was never called back to work for that employer. 				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 18 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 19					
	<p>18 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee declined an offer from a railroad employer to return to a job in the same "class or craft" as his or her last railroad job.</p>				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Employee's Marriages	<p>19 Print the requested information for each of the employee's marriages. Print the most recent in a, the second most recent in b, and so on.</p>									
	Name of Employee's Wife or Husband (if wife, include maiden name)	Date Married			City and State Married (country if other than United States)	How Marriage Ended (Check One)	Answer if Marriage Ended for Reason Other than Employee's Death			
		Month	Day	Year		<input type="checkbox"/> Employee's Death <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse's Death <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce <input type="checkbox"/> Annulment	Month	Day	Year	City and State Marriage Ended (country if other than United States)
	a									
	b									
	c									
Widow(er)	<p>Please read the section <i>"Definition Of A Widow(er)'s Annuity"</i> in the RB-17 booklet to find out what categories of widow(er) may be eligible for a railroad retirement annuity.</p>									
	<p>20 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: There is a widow(er), remarried widow(er), or surviving divorced spouse who may be eligible for a widow(er)'s annuity.</p>				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Parents	<p>21 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The employee was survived by a parent.</p>				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 22 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Section 4					
	<p>22 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The parent was dependent on the employee for one-half of his or her support.</p>				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 23 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Section 4					
	<p>23 Print the requested information for each dependent parent of the employee.</p>									
	Name of Parent	Date of Birth			Address and Telephone Number					
	a	Month	Day	Year	Address					
					Telephone Number (include area code) ()					
	b	Month	Day	Year	Address					
					Telephone Number (include area code) ()					

Section 4 Information About Children

Please read the section "Definition Of A Child's Annuity" in the RB-17 booklet to find out what categories of children may be eligible for a railroad retirement annuity.

Children 24 Print the requested information for **every** child for whom you are filing this application who may be entitled to a child's annuity. Print the youngest child in **a**, the second youngest in **b**, and so on. If a child does not have a social security number, enter "TO BE SUBMITTED."

Note: If Stepchild or Grandchild is checked below, you must also complete Form G-139, Statement Regarding Contributions and Support of Children.

Child's Full Name and Social Security Number	Relationship to Employee (Check One)	Date of Birth			Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The Child is Living with Me
		Month	Day	Year	
a	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Stepchild				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Stepchild				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
c	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Stepchild				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Stepchild				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
e	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Stepchild				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If **every** child in Item 24 is living with you, go to Item 26.

Children Not Living With Applicant 25 Print the requested information for **every** child in Item 24 who is not living with you. Print the youngest in **a**.

First Name of Child	Child's Address	Person with Whom Child is Living	
		Name	Relationship to Child
a			
b			

Legal Guardian 26 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box:
A court has appointed a legal guardian for a child in Item 24.

- Yes → Go to Item 27
 No → Go to Item 28

27 Print the requested information for **every** child in Item 24 who has a court-appointed legal guardian. Print the youngest child in **a**, etc.

First Name of Child	Name and Address of Guardian
a	
b	

Married Children	28 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: One or more of the children in Item 24 is or has been married.			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 29 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 30		
	29 Print the requested information for every child in Item 24 who has ever been married. Print the youngest child in a .					
	Child's Married Name			Date Married		Date Marriage Ended if applicable
	a	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day
b	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year

Grand-Children, Other Children	If "Natural" or "Adopted" was checked for every child in Item 24, go to Item 32.					
	30 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: Every "Grandchild" or "Other Child" in Item 24 was living with the employee at the time the employee died.			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 32 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 31		
	31 Print the requested information for every "Grandchild" or "Other Child" in Item 24 who was not living with the employee at the time the employee died. Print the youngest child in a , etc.					
	Person with Whom Child Lived at the Time the Employee Died					
First Name of Child	Name		Address		Relationship to Child	
a						
b						

Children For Whom You Are Not Filing	32 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: There is a child for whom I am not filing this application who may be entitled to a child's annuity.			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 33 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 34		
	33 Print the requested information for every child for whom you are not filing an application who may be entitled to a child's annuity. Print the youngest child in a , the next youngest in b , and so on.					
	Child's Full Name			Reason for Not Filing		
	a					
b						
c						

Section 5 Information About The Applicant

Identification	34 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: I am a child filing for myself.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 39 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 35
Relationship	35 Print your relationship to the youngest child in Item 24.	
	36 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: My relationship to every child in Item 24 is the same.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 38 <input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 37

Relationship Con't	37 Print the requested information for every child for whom your relationship differs.												
	Child's Name					Your Relationship to Child							
	a												
	b												
c													
Social Security Number	38 Enter your social security number if you are the parent of at least one child in Item 24.												
Criminal Offense	39 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: Within the past 12 months, a child named in Item 24 has been imprisoned or given a sentence of confinement due to a conviction for a criminal offense.							<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 40			<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Section 6		
	40 Enter the date of the conviction.							Month	Day	Year			
	41 Enter the date of the sentence of confinement.							Month	Day	Year			
	42 Enter the date that confinement began.							Month	Day	Year			
	43 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: Has the confinement ended?							<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 44			<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Section 6		
	44 Enter the date confinement ended.							Month	Day	Year			

Section 6 Information About Applicant's Other Government Benefits

When answering Items 45 through 52, consider only the children listed in Item 24.

Social Security Benefits— Filed For	45 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: An application has been filed for benefits under the Social Security Act for any child.							<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 46			<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 47		
	46 Print the requested information for every child for whom a social security application has been filed. Use as many lines as needed beginning with a .												
	Child's Name					Person Whose Record was Filed On			Social Security Number Filed On				
	a												
b													
c													
Social Security Benefits— Future Filing	47 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: An application will be filed in the future for benefits under the Social Security Act for any child.							<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 48			<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 50		
	48 Print the name of the person on whose record the child will file.												
	49 Enter that person's social security number.												
Railroad Retirement Benefits	50 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: An application has been filed or will be filed for monthly railroad retirement benefits for any child based on someone other than the employee.							<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 51			<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Section 7		

Railroad Retirement Benefits Con't	51 Print the name of the person on whose record the application has been filed or will be filed.								
	52 Enter that person's Railroad Retirement Board claim number, including the letter prefix.	Prefix							If only six numbers, enter here

Section 7 Information About Work And Earnings

Please read the section "How Earnings Affect An Annuity" in the RB-17 booklet to find out how work and earnings can affect a child's annuity. Also, please refer to **Form G-77, How Earnings Affect Payment of Survivor Annuities**, for the exempt amounts to use when answering Items 53 through 58.

When answering Items 53 through 60, consider only the children listed in Item 24.

Answer Items 53 and 54 **only** if the employee died before January 1 of this year.

Earnings Last Year (Year)	53 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The total earnings of any child for all employment last year were more than the annual earnings exempt amount shown on Form G-77.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 54
		<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 55
54 Print the requested information for every child whose total earnings for last year were more than the annual earnings exempt amount shown on Form G-77. Use as many lines as needed beginning with a.		
a	1 Child's Name	2 Total Earnings for Last Year (Show Dollars Only) \$
	3 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: Did the child earn more than the monthly earnings exempt amount in employment for hire or perform substantial services in self-employment in every month last year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	4 Enter an "X" next to each month last year in which the child did not earn more than the monthly earnings exempt amount or perform substantial services in self-employment.	<input type="checkbox"/> JAN <input type="checkbox"/> FEB <input type="checkbox"/> MAR <input type="checkbox"/> APR <input type="checkbox"/> MAY <input type="checkbox"/> JUN <input type="checkbox"/> JUL <input type="checkbox"/> AUG <input type="checkbox"/> SEP <input type="checkbox"/> OCT <input type="checkbox"/> NOV <input type="checkbox"/> DEC
	b	
b	1 Child's Name	2 Total Earnings for Last Year (Show Dollars Only) \$
	3 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: Did the child earn more than the monthly earnings exempt amount in employment for hire or perform substantial services in self-employment in every month last year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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	c	
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	3 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: Did the child earn more than the monthly earnings exempt amount in employment for hire or perform substantial services in self-employment in every month last year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Earnings This Year (Year)	55 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box: The total earnings of any child for all employment this year will be more than the annual earnings exempt amount.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes → Go to Item 56
		<input type="checkbox"/> No → Go to Item 57

Earnings This Year Con't	56 Print the requested information for every child whose total earnings for this year are expected to be more than the annual earnings exempt amount. Use as many lines as needed beginning with a .																			
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Yes → **Go to Item 61**
 No → **Go to Section 8**

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	3 Date Last Worked	Month	Day	Year			
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Section 8 Filing Date

Answer only if you are disabled or otherwise eligible for social security disability or survivor benefits **and** you have not filed an application for such benefits.

~~60~~ 61 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box:
 I also want this application used to protect my filing date for social security benefits.

Yes
 No

Section 11 Certification

Certification

70 Enter an "X" in the appropriate box:
 69 I will have a guardian or other representative sign this application on my behalf.

70

Yes → **Go to Note and Item 71**
 No → **Go to Item 71 70**

Note: If answered "Yes," your guardian or other representative must sign this application. That person must also complete and return **Form AA-5, Application for Substitution of Payee.**

71 I certify that the information I gave the RRB on this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I know that 70 if I make a false or fraudulent statement or withhold information in order to receive benefits from the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB), I am committing a crime under Federal law which may be punishable by fines, imprisonment or both. I have received and reviewed the booklets, **RB-17, Survivor Annuities** and **RB-9s, Events That Affect A Survivor Annuity.** I understand that I am responsible for reporting events that would affect my annuity as explained in the booklets.

I agree to immediately notify the RRB:

- If I / any child marries;
- If I / any child over age 18 ceases to attend school full time;
- If an application is filed for social security benefits on any person's earnings record;
- If I / any child goes to work for an employer in the railroad industry, or work in any capacity a railroad, railroad labor organization or work in any capacity
- If I / any child will earn more than the annual earnings exempt amount, and it was not reported on the application;
- If the reported earnings estimate changes;
- If my address changes;
- If my financial organization or the account number at my financial organization changes;
- If any child for whom I am receiving benefits dies or leaves my care;
- If I am, or any child is, confined in a jail, prison, penal institution, or correctional institution due to a conviction for a criminal offense.

Signature
 (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name)

Date

Month	Day	Year

72 If this certification is signed by mark ("X") in Item 71, two witnesses who know the person signing must sign 70 below, giving their full addresses and daytime telephone numbers.

a. Signature of Witness

Address (Number and Street)

City, State, and ZIP Code

Daytime Telephone Number

Area Code	Telephone Number

b. Signature of Witness

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Section 12 How To Return Your Application

Before you return your application, check to make sure that:

- **Every** question that applies to you has been answered.
- You have entered “unknown” in **any** answer space for which you were unable to answer a question.
- You have signed and dated the application.
- You have included **all** the needed proofs listed in the letter you received with this application.

When you received the child's application, you should also have received a pre-addressed return envelope. If you do not have this envelope, you can use any envelope as long as it is addressed to the RRB office serving your location. No matter which envelope you use, you must put the correct postage on the envelope. Be careful to provide enough postage, because your application and the accompanying forms may weigh more than a standard letter. The U.S. Postal Service will not deliver your application unless it has the correct postage.

Make one final check before you seal the envelope to ensure that the following are enclosed:

- NEEDED PROOFS
- THE APPLICATION FORM ITSELF
- ADDITIONAL FORMS YOU WERE ASKED TO COMPLETE

Note: *After the RRB receives the child's application, a receipt form with information about the claim will be sent to you. When you receive it, you will know that the RRB has received the application and has started the work needed to determine if the child is entitled to benefits. If you do not receive the receipt within two weeks after you have filed this application, please contact us so we can find out what is causing the delay.*