Retirement Online User Guide

Report Earnings

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Introduction

This user guide outlines how to report post-retirement earnings in *Retirement Online*.

Report Earnings

Sign in to *Retirement Online* and follow the steps below.

Step	Action
1.	In the *My Account Summary* section, click **Report Earnings**.
2.	The *Report Post-Employment Information* page will open. Enter the **Employer Name, Job Title**, **Date of Hire**, and **Annual Earnings**. Click **Submit**.
3.	The *Post-Retirement Employment Confirmation* pop-up will appear. If your total annual earnings is above the earnings limit, click **Confirm & Submit**. If your total annual earnings is below the earnings limit, click **Cancel**. ***Do not proceed any further.***
4.	A Message pop-up will appear. Click **OK**.
5.	The *Report Post-Employment Information* page will open. Your employment information is now submitted. Click **Back** to return to the *Retirement Online Account Homepage*.

Important Information

Working After Retirement

Two sections of the Retirement Social Security Law (RSSL) — Section 211 and Section 212 — may affect your return to public employment. If you return to public employment, you may still be able to collect your pension, depending on:

- How much you earn after you return to public employment; and
- Your age.

Section 212

You may return to public employment, earn up to the annual amount set by RSSL Section 212, and continue to receive your retirement benefit.

Your earnings are generally unlimited beginning in the calendar year you turn 65. If you are under the age of 65 and you earn *more* than the Section 212 limit during a calendar year, you must either:

- Pay back NYSLRS for the pension payments you received after the date you reached the limit. If you continue to work, your pension payments will be suspended for the rest of that calendar year and resume the following January.
- Rejoin NYSLRS, in which case your pension payments will stop until you retire again at some future date(you'll need to reapply).

Section 211

If you return to work for a public employer and will earn more than the annual Section 212 limit, you may be able to work under Section 211 without affecting your pension. However, your employer must receive approval (known as a Section 211 waiver) before hiring you. You must wait one year after retiring before returning to work in the same or similar position under a Section 211 waiver.

Tools & Related References

Life Changes: What If I Work After Retirement? | Office of the New York State Comptroller