

Your nomination options

In Equip, you can choose to make a non-binding or a binding death benefit nomination. You can nominate more than one person and you can change this nomination at any time.

A **non-binding** nomination tells Equip who you would like your benefit paid to upon your death. Equip will take this nomination into account but is not bound by it, as it must consider all dependants at the time of your death.

A **binding** death benefit nomination, if valid and legally binding at the date of your death, requires Equip to pay your benefit according to your nomination. This is why it's important to consider changing or cancelling your binding nomination if your circumstances change, so that your benefit will be paid in line with your current wishes.

For more information about beneficiary nominations, please see the *How super works* guide on our website.

How to make a nomination

You can use the accompanying form to make, update or cancel a non-binding or binding nomination.

Non-binding nominations can also be updated on our website or by contacting our member helpline. These additional options are not available for a binding nomination as your request must be witnessed.

If you do not make a nomination or your nomination is invalid, Equip will determine to whom your benefit will be paid upon your death after considering the information it is able to obtain about your circumstances, including any dependants or other parties who make a claim. If Equip is unable to determine who your benefit is to be paid to, it may need to be transferred to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Equip encourages members to consider making and maintaining a binding death benefit nomination to ensure your benefit is paid according to your instruction.

How long does a binding nomination last?

A correctly completed binding nomination remains valid for three years from the date you sign the form. The expiry date of your binding nomination is shown on your member statement and we'll also send you a reminder before your nomination expires.

It may also cease to have effect if you are subject to a Court Order at the time of your death that prohibited you from making a binding death benefit nomination or required you to amend or revoke a nomination, or if (and for so long as) the Trustee is prevented from paying out your death benefit in accordance with your nomination due to family law.

When is my binding nomination invalid?

Your binding nomination will be invalid if:

- it was made more than 3 years ago
- the form is not correctly completed, for example the proportion of benefit doesn't equal 100% or the form was incorrectly signed or witnessed
- any of the people you nominated on this form die before you do
- any of the people you nominated on this form no longer qualify as your dependants and/or legal personal representative (LPR) at the time of your death
- you were legally incapable of making the nomination
- Equip is legally restrained or prohibited from paying your super benefit to one or more of the persons nominated by you; or
- it was received by Equip after your death.

Who can I nominate?

The person(s) you nominate as beneficiaries must be any one or more of the following:

- your current spouse (legal or de facto; including same sex partner)
- your children (including step, adopted, ex-nuptial or children of a same sex relationship)
- any person(s) financially dependent on you
- any person in an interdependency relationship with you (please see below)
- your legal personal representative (LPR), which means the executor or administrator of your estate

Interdependency relationship

An interdependency relationship exists if:

- two people have a close personal relationship, and
- they live together, and
- one or each of them provides the other with financial support, and
- one or each of them provides the other with domestic support and personal care

OR

- if they don't live together or provide each other with financial support, domestic support and personal care, it's because one or both of them suffer from a disability.

People who share accommodation, for example flatmates, do not qualify.

Need help?

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4 – Sign this form

By signing this form I:

- confirm that I have read the notes on this form that set out the terms upon which this nomination is made and I understand that these are consistent with Equip's Trust Deed and that I may request a copy if required.
- understand that if I have made a binding death benefit nomination and it is invalid or has not been received by Equip when I die, the death benefit will be determined by Equip at its discretion.
- understand that if I have made, updated or cancelled a binding death benefit nomination, this declaration must be signed by me in the presence of two witnesses (who are not nominated on this form), both of whom are aged 18 or over.

Signature

Date (ddmmyyyy)

5 – Witness declarations (only required if making, updating or cancelling a current binding nomination)

I confirm that I am aged 18 or over, am not a named binding beneficiary and the member signed and dated this form in my presence.

Witness 1 Signature of witness

Date (ddmmyyyy)

First name

Last name

Witness 2 Signature of witness

Date (ddmmyyyy)

First name

Last name

Please return your completed form to Equip, GPO Box 4303, Melbourne VIC 3001

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