

# Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada

## Death Benefits Claim Packet



### Instructions for the Plan Administrator

In the event of the death of an insured employee or dependent, please follow these steps as soon as you receive notice of death:

1. Complete the Employer's section of this claim packet and collect the following:
  - a copy of any and all enrollment forms
  - a copy of beneficiary designation on file
  - an original certified death certificate – must include the final cause and manner of death
  - the most recent payroll record for one full pay period prior to the employee's last day
2. Provide the beneficiary with the Claimant's section of this claim packet. Instruct him or her to complete and sign the form and return it to the Employer along with the original certified death certificate.
3. If this is an Accidental Death, please have the Employer or Beneficiary submit:
  - an original police report
  - an original autopsy report
  - an original toxicology reportIf there is no autopsy or toxicology report done, please send verification from the coroner, medical examiner or admitting hospital.
4. **Collect all completed sections and additional required information and submit the entire packet to the address below.**

Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada  
Group Life Claims, SC 4375  
One Sun Life Executive Park  
Wellesley Hills, MA 02481  
Tel: 1-800-247-6875

**Failure to provide complete and accurate information could result in the need for additional claims investigation which could delay the initial benefit payment.**

State law requires that we notify you of the following:

**Fraud Warning:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

**Fraud Warning – AR, LA , MA , MN, NM, RI, TX and WV:** Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

**Fraud Warning – AK:** A person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive an insurance company files a claim containing false, incomplete, or misleading information may be prosecuted under state law.

**Fraud Warning – AZ:** For your protection Arizona law requires the following statement to appear on this form. Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

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**Fraud Warning – CO:** It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to a policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado Division of Insurance within the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

**Fraud Warning – FL:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree.

**Fraud Warning – IN, ID, and DE:** Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

**Fraud Warning – KS:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an Application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto may be guilty of insurance fraud as determined by a court of law.

**Fraud Warning – KY:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files a statement of claim, containing any materially false information, or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which may be a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

**Fraud Warning – MD and District of Columbia:** Any person who knowingly and willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly and willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

**Fraud Warning – ME, TN, VA and WA:** It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits.

**Fraud Warning – NH:** Any person who, with a purpose to injure, defraud or deceive any insurance company, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is subject to prosecution and punishment for insurance fraud, as provided in RSA 638:20.

**Fraud Warning – NJ:** Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

**Fraud Warning – OH:** Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement is guilty of insurance fraud.

**Fraud Warning – OK:** Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

**Fraud Warning – OR:** Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may have violated state law.

**Fraud Warning – PA:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or any other person files a claim for insurance, containing any materially false information, or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

**Fraud Warning – VT:** Any person who knowingly presents a false statement in an application for insurance may be guilty of a criminal offense and subject to penalties under state law.

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### Section A: Employer's Statement

#### 1 General Information

Please print clearly.

Employer's name	Group policy number	Billing number	
Employer contact (name of person completing this form)		Title	
Employer's street address	City	State	Zip Code
Employer's email address	Telephone number	Fax number	
Name and address of Division where Employee worked (if different from above)			

#### 2 Employee Information

Employee's name (first, middle initial, last)	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Social Security number	Date of birth (m/d/y)	
Employee's street address	City	State	Zip Code	

#### 3 Dependent Information (Complete only if submitting a Dependent claim)

Dependent's name (first, middle initial, last)	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Date of birth (m/d/y)	Relationship to employee
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#### 4 Employment and Claim Information

Complete entire section.

Date hired (m/d/y)	Effective date of insurance	Scheduled hours	Occupation
Date last worked	Reason for last day worked		
Date premiums terminated (m/d/y)		Class (as defined by policy)	
Date of last qualifying status change			
<input type="checkbox"/> Part-time to Full-time		<input type="checkbox"/> Marriage	<input type="checkbox"/> Birth of a child

Type of Claim (check all that apply)	Date of Death (m/d/y)	Basic	Optional
<input type="checkbox"/> Life		\$	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Dependent		\$	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Accidental Death		\$	\$

## 5 Salary and Benefits Information

How was the deceased paid? (check one)

<input type="checkbox"/> Hourly \$ per hour:	<input type="checkbox"/> Salaried \$ per year:
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Provide information about other income:

Commissions \$	Bonuses \$	Overtime \$
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What was the date of the last pay increase?

Did you apply age reductions on the amount of insurance .....  Yes  No

## 6 Certification and Signature

**Tip:** To certify eligibility, submit the Employee's enrollment form with the claim.

I certify that the above statements are true and complete.

Signature of Administrator X	Date signed
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### Section B: Claimant's Statement

#### Instructions

Return this completed form to the employer along with a certified copy of the Official Death Certificate.

Complete this form if benefits are legally payable to you as a beneficiary. You are a beneficiary if the insured designated you on his or her most recently dated enrollment or beneficiary designation form. When there is more than one beneficiary, each beneficiary must complete a separate form.

**Please see page 8 for additional instructions if:**

- The beneficiary is the estate of the insured
- The beneficiary is a minor
- The beneficiary is a trust
- The insured's death has been ruled accidental

#### 1 Information About the Deceased

Please print clearly.

Employer's name		Group policy number	
Employee's name (first, middle initial, last)	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Social Security number	Date of birth (m/d/y)
Deceased's name (first, middle initial, last)	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Social Security number	
Date of birth (m/d/y)	Relationship		

#### 2 Information About the Beneficiary

For individuals, enter your Social Security number or IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification number. For other entities, enter Employer Identification Number.

Name of beneficiary (first, middle initial, last) or estate		Date of birth (m/d/y)	Relationship
Social Security number or Tax Identification number		Telephone number	
Address of beneficiary or estate	City	State	Zip code

I certify that the statements made in sections 1 and 2 above are true and complete

Signature of beneficiary or estate representative X	Date (m/d/y)
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#### 3 Information About the Accidental Death (only if applicable)

To be completed by the beneficiary.

1. Did the accidental death occur at least 100 miles from the employee's principal place of residence?.....  Yes .....  No
2. Did the accidental death occur while the employee was traveling on business for the employer?.....  Yes .....  No
3. Are there any children of the employee in the 12<sup>th</sup> grade or currently enrolled in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning?.....  Yes .....  No
4. Did any family member incur any bereavement counseling expenses?.....  Yes .....  No

## 4 Method of Payment

You may choose to receive the life insurance benefit in a lump sum check or by having it paid into a Sun Life Financial Benefit Account.

The Sun Life Financial Benefit Account is available to all individual beneficiaries who will receive a benefit of \$10,000 or more. If the beneficiary is a corporation, trust, or a guardian of a minor, or the benefit is less than \$10,000, the benefit will be paid by check.


If the beneficiary is a minor and no guardian of the minor's estate has been appointed, we will pay the benefit into a Sun Life Financial Benefit Account. The Sun Life Financial Benefit Account is immediately available to the guardian of the minor's estate once the guardian has been appointed and to the minor once he or she reaches the age of majority.

After you have read the "Sun Life Financial Benefit Account FAQs," please indicate your choice below. **If no selection is made, benefits of \$10,000 or more will be paid to a Sun Life Financial Benefit Account. (For policies issued in and for residents of Kentucky, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, and Rhode Island, payment will be made by check.)**

- I elect the Sun Life Financial Benefit Account  
 I elect a check

### Sun Life Financial Benefit Account

CONFIRMATION CERTIFICATE



*RECIPIENT NAME*  
*ADDRESS*  
*CITY, ST ZIP*

*Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada*  
*Account open date*  
*Account number*  
*Opening balance*  
*Current interest rate*  
*Annual percentage yield*

The rights of the beneficiary and the obligation of the insurer under this supplemental contract are set forth in the following FAQs.  
Group Insurance policies and Universal Life policies are underwritten by Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada (Wellesley Hills, MA) in all states, except New York. Variable Universal Life Insurance policies are underwritten by Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada (U.S.) (Wellesley Hills, MA), in all states except New York. In New York, policies are underwritten by Sun Life Insurance and Annuity Company of New York (New York, NY). Certain Group Insurance policies are underwritten by Sun Life and Health Insurance Company (U.S.) (Wellesley Hills, MA) in all states. Product offerings may not be available in all states and may vary depending on state laws and regulations.  
The Sun Life Financial group of companies operates under the "Sun Life Financial" name. In the United States and elsewhere, insurance products are offered by members of the Sun Life Financial group that are insurance companies. Sun Life Financial Inc., the holding company for the Sun Life Financial group of companies, is a public company. It is not an insurance company and does not offer insurance products for sale in the United States or elsewhere, and does not guarantee the obligations of its insurance company subsidiaries.  
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### Sun Life Financial Benefit Account: FAQs

The Sun Life Financial Benefit Account is an interest-bearing account established in your name. It is one of Sun Life Financial's methods of payment for life insurance benefit proceeds. The full amount of your life insurance proceeds is available to you at any time. If you elect the Sun Life Financial Benefit Account, any other settlement options will not be available. You will receive either enclosed in this package, or separately, your own Sun Life Financial Benefit Account Confirmation certificate, which is the supplemental contract for this account, and a draft book, which is similar to a check book. We refer to drafts as checks in these materials. Drafts are similar to checks with some differences; for example, drafts may not credit your bank account as quickly as checks, and drafts may not be accepted by certain retailers.

You can access your proceeds immediately by writing a check. You will also receive monthly statements listing all checks written, the interest credited to your account, any interest rate changes, and any special services that have been requested. (See special fees below.)

This account, which is an obligation of the Sun Life Financial insurance company that issued the life insurance policy, is a secure place for these insurance proceeds.

## **Sun Life Financial Benefit Account: FAQs *continued***

Review these FAQs and keep this document with your files for future reference.

### **How does my account work?**

You will soon receive a welcome package with a Sun Life Financial Benefit Account opening statement and a supply of checks. You may write a check for the full amount of your account balance at any time or keep all or some of these proceeds in the interest-bearing account. Checks drawn on your Sun Life Financial Benefit Account are payable through BNY Mellon.

### **How is interest determined and credited?**

Interest is earned on proceeds in your Sun Life Financial Benefit Account from the date your account is established until the date checks are cleared. Interest is compounded daily and is credited to your account once a month. We determine the interest rate, at our sole discretion, and may change it periodically. There is no minimum interest rate. Interest income is reflected in your monthly statement.

We may derive income, in addition to fees charged on the Sun Life Financial Benefit Account, from the investment of the balance of funds in the retained asset account.

### **Are there any special fees?**

We provide you with your first set of checks and free checking services. You will be charged for any special services as follows:

- \$15 for each stop payment order • \$5 for requests for check copies
- \$10 for insufficient funds • \$25 for a check book rush request
- \$2.35 for a check book reorder • \$10 for statement copies

### **What if I have questions about my account?**

Please call our Customer Service Center at 866-223-9149. You also can call this number to request any of the special services listed above.

### **Is there a minimum check amount?**

The minimum amount for which a check may be written on your Sun Life Financial Benefit Account is \$250.

### **Is there a limit on the number of checks I can write?**

No, there is no limit.

### **Can I make deposits into the account?**

No, deposits cannot be made into the Sun Life Financial Benefit Account.

### **How can I keep track of my account?**

Each month you will receive a statement listing all checks written, the interest credited to your account, any interest rate changes, and any special services that have been requested.

### **Is my account subject to unclaimed property laws?**

Yes. Your account has been established as the result of payment of your life insurance proceeds and, therefore, continues to be subject to the applicable laws for unclaimed property.

Sun Life Financial monitors the activity on all accounts. If there has been no activity on an account for two years, we will attempt to contact the account owner of record at that time. It is important that you respond to this letter should you receive one.

### **Is my account insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)?**

No. Your account is not insured by the FDIC. Your account is an obligation of the Sun Life Financial insurance company that issued the life insurance policy and is backed by it. The Sun Life Financial insurance companies enjoy strong financial strength ratings. Independent rating agencies place them among the highest-rated insurance companies in the United States.

### **How can I reorder checks?**

An order form for an additional supply of checks will be included in your welcome package.

### **Can I designate a beneficiary for the proceeds of this account?**

Yes. The package will include a form to designate a beneficiary to whom the proceeds remaining in the account will be payable in the event of your death. If no beneficiary is named, the proceeds will be payable to your estate.

### **What if my address changes?**

Any change of address needs to be communicated in writing. You can use the change of address form included in the package or send a written notice to our Customer Service Department.



**Sun Life Financial Benefit Account: FAQs *continued***

**Can I stop payment on a check?**

Yes. You may order a stop payment by calling our Customer Service Center at 866-223-9149. There is a \$15 charge for each stop payment.

**Can I request copies of cancelled checks?**

If you need a copy of a check, call our Customer Service Center at 866-223-9149. We will send copies of checks to you as soon as possible. There is a \$5 charge for each copy.

**How is the interest earned on my account reported to the IRS?**

At the end of each year, we generate an IRS Form 1099 indicating the annual interest credited to the account. We then send the form to you and to the IRS. You may wish to consult a tax, investment, or other financial adviser regarding tax liability and investment options.

**How can I close my account?**

You can close your account in one of three ways:

- Simply write a check in the amount of the balance indicated on your most recent statement and bring it to your local bank. Because interest is accrued daily, it may be difficult to know the exact balance. We will send a check containing any remaining interest within 30 days.
- Send a written request to Sun Life Financial Benefit Account, Insurance Services, P.O. Box 535412, Pittsburgh, PA 15253-5412, indicating that you wish to close the account. Please be sure to include your account number. We will mail a check for the full account balance including interest posted to that day.
- Let the balance of the account fall below \$250. At the end of each month, accounts with \$250 or less are automatically closed. We will send the balance in the account plus accrued interest to you.

Note: The National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) advises that you can contact the National Organization of Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Associations ([www.nolhga.com](http://www.nolhga.com)) to learn more about coverage and limitations for retained asset accounts by State Guaranty Associations. For further information, you may also contact your State Department of Insurance.

**5 Certifications and Signature**

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The IRS does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certification required to avoid backup withholding.

Cross out item 2 if the IRS has notified you that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return.

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that

1. the Tax Identification Number shown above is correct; and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because
  - a. the IRS has not notified me that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of my failure to report all interest or dividends; or
  - b. the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding.

I certify that the above statements are true and complete.

Signature X	Date (m/d/y)
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## 6 Additional Instructions

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### **If the Beneficiary is the Estate**

**In some cases, life insurance may be payable to the insured's estate. The employer's Group Policy specifies the situations under which benefits are payable to the estate.**

Payment of the life insurance benefits in these cases will be made to the executor or administrator of the estate. The executor or administrator is appointed by a probate court and is responsible for managing the insured's estate. Please note that a person named as the executor or administrator in the insured's last will & testament must be appointed by the court before payment can be made. The executor or administrator of the estate should complete the Claimant's Statement and provide a certified copy of the Letters Testamentary or Letters of Administration issued by the probate court. The estate tax identification number (not the Social Security number) is required on the Claimant's Statement.

### **If the Beneficiary is a Minor**

If the beneficiary is a minor and does not have a guardian of his or her estate, we can pay a life insurance benefit to an adult member of the minor's family up to the limit of your state's Uniform Transfers to Minors Act (UTMA).

For benefits greater than the state UTMA limit, we will pay the benefit to a court appointed guardian of the minor's estate. The guardian must provide us with a certified copy of the court document appointing the guardian and must complete and sign the Claimant's Statement as guardian. The guardian should enter the minor's Social Security number and date of birth on the Claimant's Statement.

If no guardian of the minor's estate is appointed, we will pay the benefit into a Sun Life Financial Benefit Account. The Sun Life Financial Benefit Account is immediately available to the guardian of the estate once the guardian has been appointed and to the minor once he or she reaches the age of majority.

### **If the Beneficiary is a Trust**

After Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada receives notice that the beneficiary of a policy is a Trust, we will prepare and send a Verification of Trust form to be completed by the Trustee and returned for file. We will also accept a certified copy of the Trust documents. The trustee should complete the Claimant's Statement. The trust's Tax Identification Number, (not the Social Security number), is required on the Claimant's Statement. Please provide copies of trust document.

### **If the Insured Died Accidentally**

When the insured's death is the result of an accident, accidental death benefits may be payable if:

- The Group Policy and employee class contain accidental death benefits
- The cause of death is "accidental" as defined under the Group Policy
- The Policy exclusions do not apply (please refer to the Group Policy)

**The official police or emergency technician report of the accident must be furnished to determine if accidental benefits are payable. If a toxicology test is administered, the official results of the test must be provided. If no toxicology test was administered, we will need a letter from the Medical Examiner or admitting hospital or coroner confirming that. We may need other information or reports to determine if the death is accidental under the terms of the Policy.**

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### Section C: Authorization

#### Authorization to Obtain and Disclose Information

Return to:  
 Sun Life Assurance  
 Company of Canada  
 One Sun Life Executive  
 Park, SC 4375  
 P.O. Box 81100  
 Wellesley Hills, MA 02481

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE any clinic, healthcare or other medical facility, healthcare provider, hospital, medical practitioner, pharmacy, police department, and medical examiner's office or coroner's office to furnish or release (verbally or in writing), or otherwise make available to Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, or its authorized representatives, all medical and non-medical information in its possession about \_\_\_\_\_. Medical information includes but is not limited to toxicology reports, other medical test results, any of which contain any diagnosis information including, but not limited to drugs, alcohol, substance abuse, mental nervous conditions, HIV or ARC, or AIDS, or any other illness or cause. Non-medical information includes, but is not limited to disability, employment earnings and history, financial, credit history, insurance benefits, claims or coverage, occupational duties and traffic/accident reports.

I UNDERSTAND, that any information acquired pursuant to this AUTHORIZATION will be used by Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada to determine eligibility for insurance benefits under claims submitted to it, to verify representations made in an insurance application, or for any other lawful purpose.

I FURTHER UNDERSTAND that by executing this Authorization, I waive the right for such information to be privileged.

I AGREE that this Authorization shall be valid for two and one-half years from the date shown below and that a photocopy of this Authorization shall be effective and valid as the original.

Print name of Beneficiary or Personal Representative	Group policy number
Signature of Beneficiary or Personal Representative X	Date
Name of employee	
Policyholder name	