

Military Retirees: SBP Open Enrollment

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For Military Retirees enrolled in the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) who are divorced with a former spouse as your SBP beneficiary due to divorce-court orders:

Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) is conducting an open season to allow a change of SBP beneficiary from a deceased former spouse to a current spouse. The window of opportunity expires November 24, 2016.

This is a recent change to the law. In the past if a divorce court designated your former spouse as your SBP beneficiary and that person died, you lost your SBP for any future use.

This is the open-season eligibility criteria you must meet:

- a. Your deceased former spouse passed away before Nov 25, 2015**
- b. You are currently married**
- c. You married your current spouse on or before Nov 25, 2015**
- d. Former-spouse coverage must have been canceled due to death. No other reason for discontinued former-spouse coverage is eligible.**

If you think you meet the criteria, contact DFAS at (800)321-1080

Thank you,

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