

PUZZLED BY PENSIONS?

USDAW PENSIONS SECTION

WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO AND HOW YOU CAN HELP



Who we are

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What we do

- Assist National Officers, Area Organisers and reps in consultation with employers who are proposing to close or make changes to their pension schemes.
- Provide training for:
 - Area Organisers on their induction and Collective Bargaining courses.
 - Summer School 2 delegates.
 - Branch Officers.
 - Regional Conferences.
- Organise the annual Retired Members' Conference and the Pensions Conference.
- Assist members who have been refused an ill-health early retirement pension.
- Assist members with general pension enquiries about personal, workplace and State Pension benefits.
- Assist members who have disputes with their employer regarding their pension benefits.
- Assist the Legal Team when dealing with pension loss calculations.
- Provide communications about workplace and State Pensions to help and support our reps and members.
- Provide feedback on Government pension consultations.

Pensions matter because they will affect each and every one of us when we can no longer continue to work. Usdaw believes that everyone is entitled to a decent standard of living in retirement. Help us to raise awareness and to manage our members' expectations.

How you can help

- Check out our pensions website at: www.usdaw.org.uk/pensions
- Find out what pensions you have (past and present). Get a forecast of your State Pension at: www.gov.uk/check-state-pension
- Run a Pensions Awareness Campaign – apply for a Rep's Toolkit to get you started.
- Sign up for our free online Pension Home Study Course at: www.usdaw.org.uk/pensionshomestudy

Contact us on 0161 224 2804 or email us at pensions@usdaw.org.uk

