

## Minimum pension drawdown rates halved for 2019/2020 and 2020/2021

On 22 March 2020 the Federal Government announced that the minimum pension drawdown rates would be halved for the 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 financial years. This is due to many retirees losing a significant portion of their super account balance as sharemarkets have plunged due to the Coronavirus crisis. This rule change assists retirees who do not wish to sell their investment assets while the value of those assets is reduced.

Age of member	Temporary % factor for 2019/2020 & 2020/2021	Normal % factor
Under 65	2%	4%
65 to 74	2.5%	5%
75 to 79	3%	6%
80 to 84	3.5%	7%
85 to 89	4.5%	9%
90 to 94	5.5%	11%
95 and over	7%	14%