

## Case Study: Scenario six



### George

**In 2015 George was a tapered member with a Normal Pension Age of 60 in the final salary section.**

## Questions

### When did George start teaching?

George started full-time teaching at the age of 22 on 1 April 1985 and in 2015 he was 52.

### What happened to George when the changes were introduced in 2015?

George was a tapered member as his Normal Pension Age was 60 and he was 49 on 1 April 2012. He remained in the final salary (legacy) scheme until 1 April 2020 and then moved into the career average (reformed) scheme.

### Has George paid into his pension to increase his benefits?

No, he has not taken any of the flexibilities that were available to him.

### When does George want to retire?

- Although George's Normal Pension Age in the career average scheme is 67, he wants to retire on 1 April 2023 at the age of 60.
- His average salary at his chosen retirement date is £41,616.00.

### What does George's pension look like and what should he consider?

**George's pension can be broken down into three parts (A,B and C),** but only one of these is within the remedy period, which means he has a choice to make as to whether this will be in either the career average (reformed) or final salary (legacy) scheme.

- See breakdown on page 2.



In George's case as a tapered member, we can show what George would be expecting to see and what he'll see when the remedy period is applied.

### What George would be expecting to see with his original tapered protection then his transition into career average

**Dates:**  
1 April 1985 – 31 March 2020  
**Scheme:**  
Final salary (legacy)

**35 years' service =**



**Dates:**  
1 April 2020 – 31 March 2023  
**Scheme:**  
Career average

**3 years' service =**



**Note:**  
See full breakdown on page 3.

### What George will see after the 'remedy period' is applied

#### Part A

#### Pre-remedy period

**Dates:**  
1 April 1985 – 31 March 2015  
**Scheme:**  
Final salary (legacy)

**30 years' service =**



#### Part B

#### Remedy period

**Dates:**  
1 April 2015 – 31 March 2022  
**Scheme:**  
Choice of two schemes

#### Choice 1: Take as 'final salary' (legacy) scheme

**7 years' service =**



#### Choice 2: Take as 'career average' (reformed) scheme

**7 years' service =**



**Note:**  
See full breakdown on the following page.

#### Part C

#### Post-remedy period

**Dates:**  
1 April 2022 – 1 April 2023  
**Scheme:**  
Career average (reformed)

**1 years' career average =**



## George's choices

### Part B

#### Remedy period

Dates:  
1 April 2015 – 31 March 2022  
Scheme:  
Choice of two schemes



Choice 1		Choice 2	
Remedy period from final salary (legacy) scheme		Remedy period from career average (reform) scheme	
<b>Total Pension</b> <b>£19,790.58</b>	<b>Total Automatic Lump Sum</b> <b>£57,742.20</b>	<b>Total Pension</b> <b>£20,298.33</b>	<b>Total Automatic Lump Sum</b> <b>£46,818.00</b>
How's it made up?		How's it made up?	
<b>Final salary (legacy) up to 31/03/2015</b>		<b>Final salary (legacy) up to 31/03/2015</b>	
£15,606.00	£46,818.00	£15,606.00	£46,818.00
<b>Remedy period (01/04/2015 - 31/03/2022)</b>		<b>Remedy period (01/04/2015 - 31/03/2022)</b>	
£3,641.40	£10,924.20	£4,149.15	n/a
<b>Career average (reformed) post 01/04/2022</b>		<b>Career average (reformed) post 01/04/2022</b>	
£543.18	n/a	£543.18	n/a

Note: Pension amounts include adjustments for Early Retirement, where appropriate.



## What to consider

When deciding on what is the best option for himself and the lifestyle he wants, George should also consider what balance he wants between the pension he receives each year, and the amount of lump sum he would like to take. Under both options he can convert some of his pension to a lump sum (£1 x 12).



To help George work this out he could use our **Estimate your final pension calculator** or seek independent advice.

In George's case if he were to convert only £507.75 of his pension (which would still give him the same amount of pension each year as Choice 1), it would give him a larger lump sum than Choice 2 but not Choice 1.

This would give George a reduced annual pension of **£19,790.58**, an automatic lump sum of **£46,818.00** and a commuted lump sum of **£6,092.96** giving him a total lump sum of **£52,910.96**.