

Annex C

Further Information on CPF Changes

Consequential changes to purchase of multiple properties using CPF: Previously, CPF members needed to set aside the Basic Retirement Sum (BRS) before excess Ordinary Account (OA) monies could be used to purchase second or subsequent properties. From 10 May 2019, members who do not have any property bought using CPF monies that covers them until at least the age of 95 will need to set aside the Full Retirement Sum before using excess OA monies to purchase second or subsequent properties. Members who have a property with remaining lease that covers them until at least the age of 95 will not be affected (i.e. previous rules apply). Members in a buy-first-sell-later situation are not affected if they dispose of their previous property within the six-month grace period.

Consequential changes to CPF usage after age 55: For purchases from 10 May 2019, the remaining lease of the property needs to cover the buyer until at least the age of 95 for the buyer to use Retirement Account (RA) savings above the BRS to pay for the property. Members approaching age 55 can ask CPF Board to reserve their OA savings so that they may continue servicing their mortgage payments after the age of 55. Those facing difficulty servicing their housing loans can approach HDB or CPF Board for assistance.