### **Section 143 valuations**

A workshop for actuaries

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# Introduction to today's seminar

The aim of today's seminar:

To assist actuaries in the preparation and submission of section 143 valuations, with a view to making the process quicker and more efficient

### Agenda

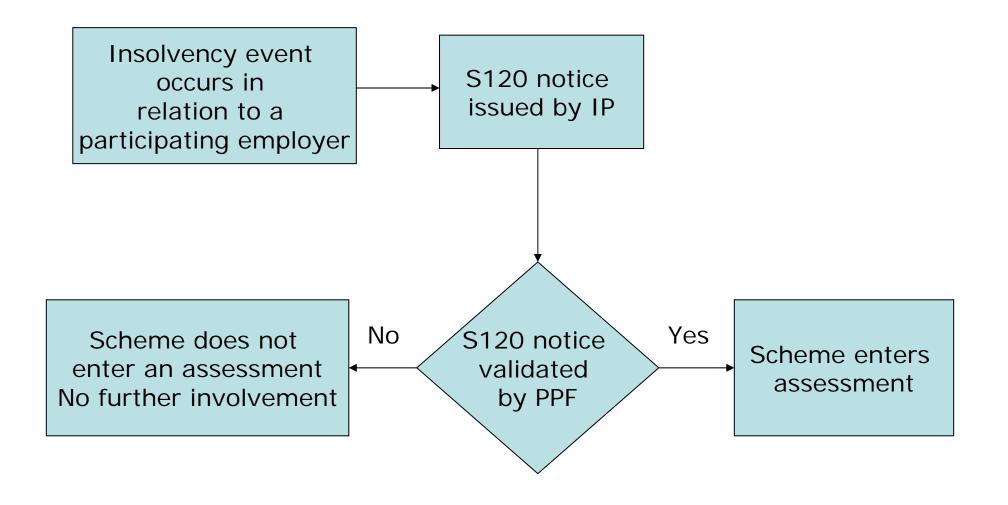
- Brief outline of the assessment process Janice Stephenson
- Preparation of section 143 valuations Carolyn Wing
- PPF Compensation Chris Hoffman
- Approval of section 143 valuations Paul Reece
- Future improvements Janice Stephenson

# Brief outline of the assessment process

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# The assessment process S120 Notice



# The assessment process Activities undertaken during assessment period (1)

- Initial announcement sent to members
- Determine scheme status can it be rescued?
- Submit claim for s75 debt
- Reduce pensions in payment to PPF compensation levels
- Trustees review Admissible Rules
- Trustees review equalisation

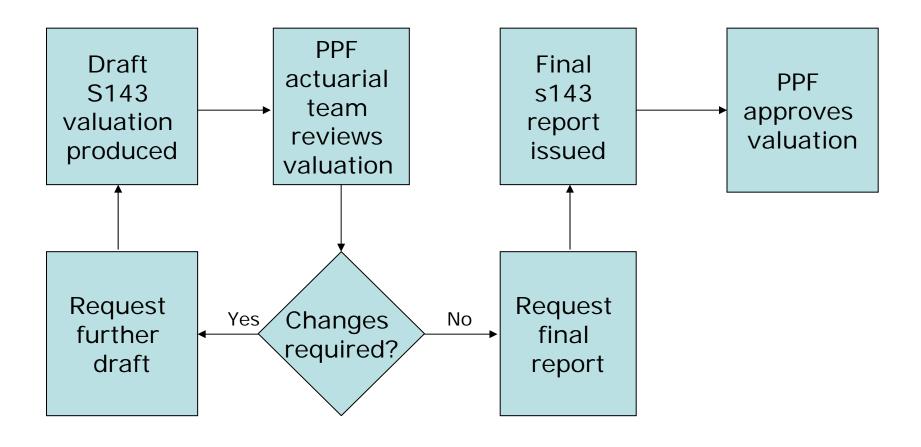
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# The assessment process Activities undertaken during assessment period (2)

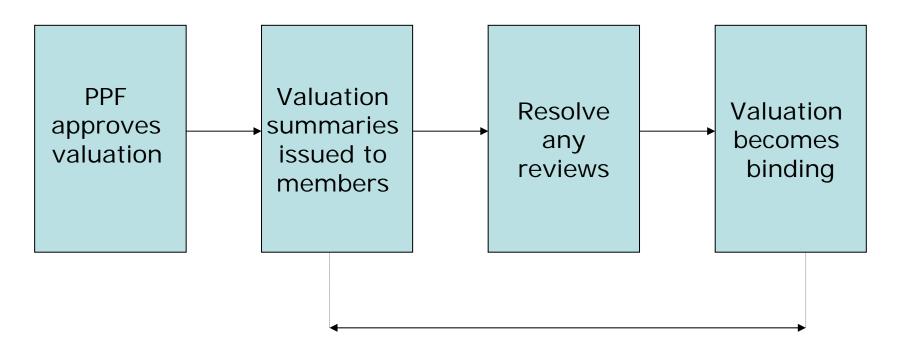
- Data audit and review
  - ✓ Initial audit and actions agreed
  - ✓ Tracing and existence checks
  - ✓ Benefit check letters sent to members if required
  - ✓ Reconcile GMPs
  - ✓ Review ill health pensioner experience
  - ✓ Identify any insured annuities

Once the data is clean, actuary appointed to carry out s143 valuation

# The assessment process s143 valuation approval

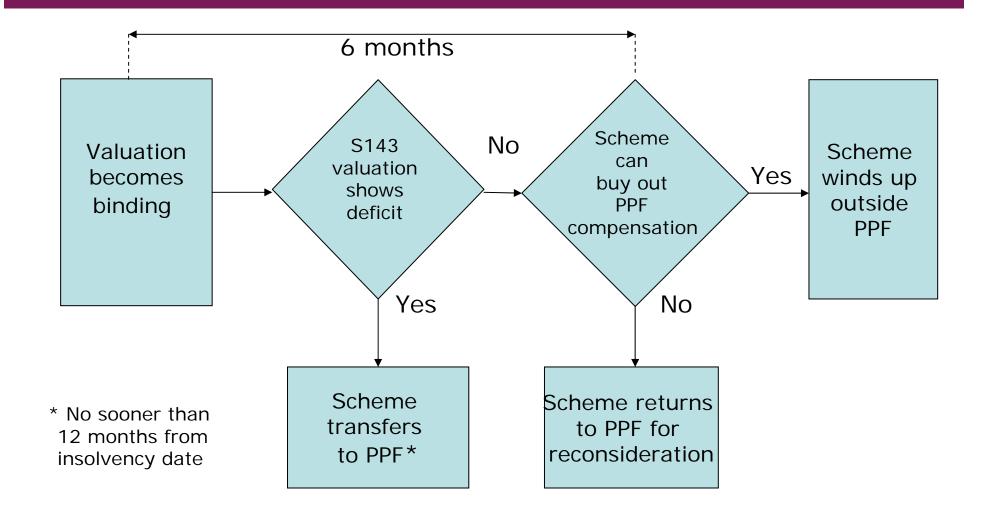


# The assessment process s143 valuation binding



minimum of 2 months

### The assessment process End of assessment period



### The assessment process Questions

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# Preparation of section 143 valuations

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# Preparing section 143 valuations Outline

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- Overview and Legal background
- The valuation itself including common pitfalls

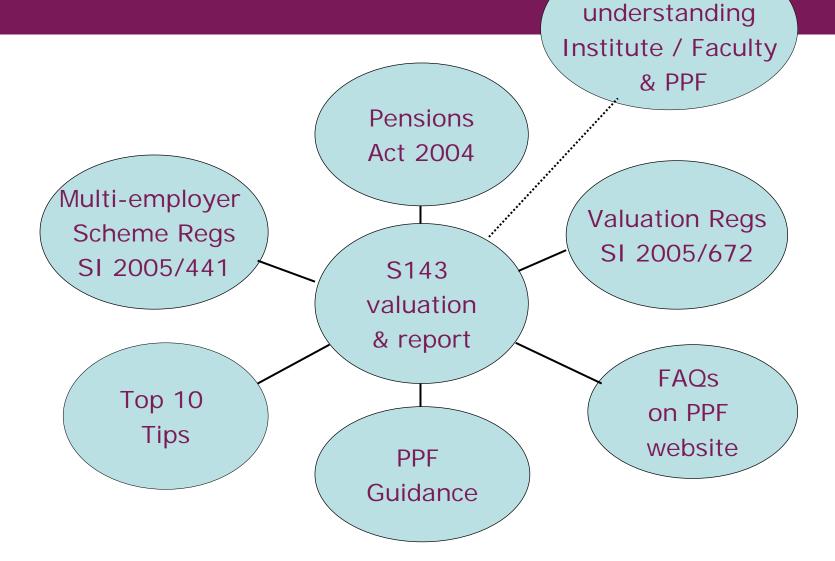
# Preparing section 143 valuations What is a section 143 valuation?

- Section 143 valuation is the PPF entry valuation undertaken as part of assessment process
- It is different from section 179 valuations which are carried out for levy calculation purposes
- Carried out by 'appointed actuary' usually but not necessarily scheme actuary
- Requires 'approval' –carried out by actuaries at the PPF

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## Preparing section 143 valuations Outline

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- Which scheme?
- Date of valuation
- Data
- Liability calculation
- Asset calculation, AVCs and other adjustments
- Reporting

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# Preparing section 143 valuations 'Interesting' facts / statistics on S143 valuations

 How long was the shortest valuation report received by the PPF?

Answer: 1 1/2 sides of A4

 Highest number of s143 draft valuation reports received for any scheme?

**Answer: 8 drafts** 

 Number of S143 valuations that we've been able to request the final after receiving 1st draft?

**Answer: None** 

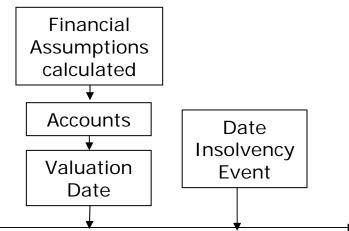
## Preparing section 143 valuations Date of valuation

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- Valuation Date is the day before the date of the Qualifying Insolvency Event
- Accounts must be prepared up to close of business on Valuation Date

Financial assumptions based on market indices at latest date

prior to Insolvency Date

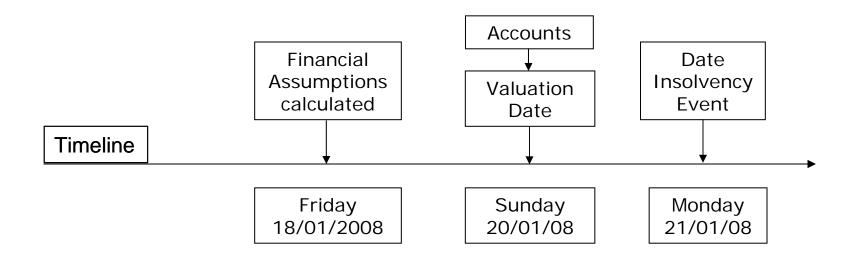


Timeline

# Preparing section 143 valuations Date of valuation - example

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- Insolvency Event occurs on Monday 21 January 2008
- Valuation Date ?
- Relevant accounts prepared as at ?
- Financial valuation assumptions determined as at?



- Checks undertaken by the Trustees and the Appointed Actuary on the accuracy of the data should be set out in the report
- Comment on whether you have any residual concerns with the data providing any further explanation if necessary

# Preparing section 143 valuations Liability calculation

'Protected liabilities' - 3 parts

- 1. Value of each member's PPF compensation
- 2. "Liabilities of the scheme not to or in respect of its members"
- 3. Expenses
  - Benefit installation/payment expenses
  - Winding-up expenses

### Method and assumptions

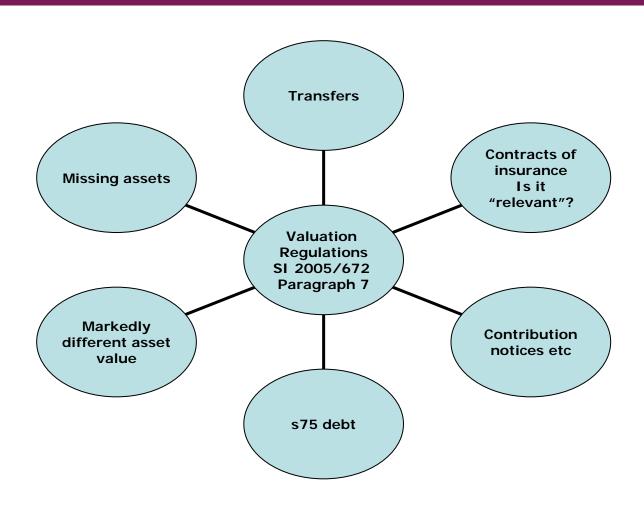
- Described in the legislation and guidance
- Good practice to report on all areas in the guidance (more on this later)
- Queries should be directed to your PPF caseworker

- Described in the legislation and guidance
- Assets are taken from the relevant accounts
- Exclude both liabilities and assets in respect of money purchase benefits

   (includes MP benefits converted to pension within the scheme on retirement)
- Comment in your report as to the treatment of AVCs

# Preparing section 143 valuations Asset calculation adjustments

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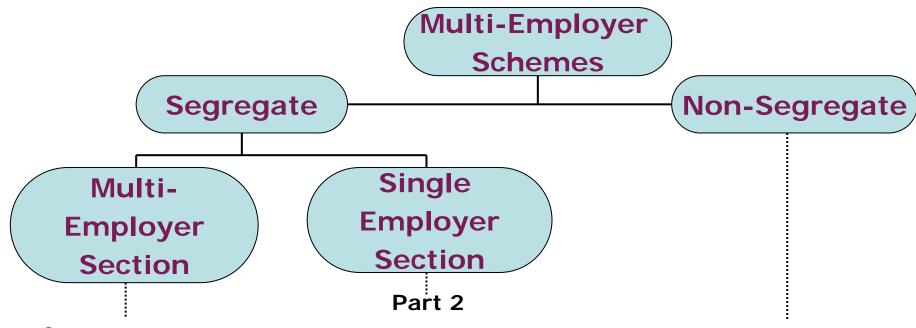


- MUST reconcile between the asset value in the relevant accounts and the one used in the valuation
- Include a "comment" in your report if you have made <u>any</u> adjustments to the asset value from the relevant accounts
- "Comment" on asset adjustment must refer to regulation used to adjust asset value

(be specific eg paragraph 7(4)(e) of the PPF (Valuation) Regulations 2005)

## Preparing section 143 valuations Which scheme?

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Part 3 – No requirement for partial w-up

Part 4 – With requirement for partial w-up

Part 8 – Option to segregate on withdrawal of participating employer

Part 5 – With requirement for partial w-up

Part 6 - No requirement for partial w-up

Part 7 – Option to segregate on withdrawal of participating employer

See PPF Multi-Employer Scheme regulations SI 2005/441

# Preparing section 143 valuations Multi-employer schemes Eg 1

- Example 1 Multi-employer scheme
  - Non-Segregated
  - Option to segregate (Part 7)
- On Insolvency of employer new segregated part is created
- S143 valuation of New Segregated part required
- Employees identifiable to insolvent employer allocated to New Segregated Part (identify by Trust Deed & Rules provisions + service with employer)

### Preparing section 143 valuations Multi-employer schemes Eg 1 cont'd

- Assets allocated to New Segregated Part according to Trust Deed & Rules
- Audited Accounts needed for whole scheme (+shows allocation of assets to each part)
- Orphan liabilities remain with main part of the Scheme
- S75 Debt
  - as calculated in TD & R, otherwise GN19
  - allocate S75 Debt using same method used to allocate assets

# Preparing section 143 valuations Multi-employer schemes Eg 2

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# •Multi-employer scheme – 3 Co •Non-segregated •Requirement to segregate on insolvency (Part 5)

At insolvency of **Employer A**:

- Segregate members and create part A
- •Allocate assets e.g. a share of fund by liability value approach granting 30% to part A and 70% to the residual scheme
- •Calculate S75 debt for employer A and allocate as scheme assets

At insolvency of **Employer B**:

- Segregate members and create parts B and C
- Allocate <u>residual</u> assets
   (Part A assets are ring fenced and deducted) e.g. a share of fund approach granting 80% to part B and 20% to Part C
- Calculate S75 debt for employer B and allocate to all existing parts (A is eligible\*) based on scheme benefits at B's insolvency date

<sup>\*</sup> If assessment period not complete at 2<sup>nd</sup> insolvency date

- Covered in part 10 of s143 guidance
- Report should include at least all the disclosure requirements set out in paragraph 9(1) of the Valuation Regulations and paragraph 10.2 of the s143 guidance
- More on this in later section

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### **PPF Compensation**

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# PPF Compensation What is Compensation?

### Relevant legislation

- Schedule 7 of Pensions Act 2004
- The Pension Protection Fund (Compensation)
   Regulations (2005 No. 670)
- Amending regulations as appropriate

# PPF Compensation Worked examples

- 1. Compensation Cap
- 2. Tranches
- 3. Determining the deferred pension to value as part of a s143 valuation
- 4. Compensation where a pension is already in payment
- 5. Compensation where a pension subject to multiple tranches requires readjustment on second tranche

# PPF Compensation Compensation Cap – Example 1

### **Scenario**

- Assessment date is 15 January 2009
- Member is age 58 and took early retirement
- The current value of the annual rate of pension before commutation as at the assessment date = £28,500
- The current value of the annual rate of pension after commutation as at the assessment date = £21,500

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### **PPF Compensation** Compensation Cap - Example 1

### Step 1 – Does the current value exceed the appropriate compensation cap?

- Identify the correct compensation cap http://www.pensionprotectionfund.org.uk/index/other\_guidance/compensation\_cap\_fact ors.htm
- Identify the correct current value of the pension as at the assessment date.

### In this case

- Member is age 58 compensation cap is £27,045.02
- Member's current annual value of pre-commutation pension is £28,500

### PPF Compensation Compensation Cap – Example 1

### Step 2 - Calculate the appropriate cap fraction

- Where the current value of the pension exceeds the compensation cap; a cap fraction needs to be calculated.
- The cap fraction is calculated as:

Current value of annual pension before commutation
Appropriate Compensation Cap

In this case

- £28,500 / £27,045.02 = 105.3798%

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### PPF Compensation Compensation Cap – Example 1

### Step 3 – Apply the cap fraction

The cap fraction should be applied to the annual rate of pension that is in payment

### In this case

£21,500 / 105.3798% = £20,402.39

### Step 4 – Apply the 90% Compensation Payment Level %

The benefit after the application of the compensation cap should be reduced to 90%.

### In this case

0.9 \* £20,402.39 = £18,362.15

### PPF Compensation Tranches – Example 2

#### Scenario:

- Member, not yet a pensioner, is aged 62 as at the assessment date with the following:
  - One tranche where the NPA is 60
  - One tranche where the NPA is 65
- As the member is over the age of 60 as at the assessment date, the first tranche will have a compensation level % of 100% and it will not be subject to the compensation cap.
- As the member is under the age of 65 as at the assessment date, the second tranche will be subject to the compensation cap and have a compensation level % of 90%.

### PPF Compensation Example 3 – deferred pensioner calculation for a s143 valuation

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Note that this example is taken from PPF website – 'Section 143 FAOs'

http://www.pensionprotectionfund.org.uk/index/faqs/section\_143\_faqs.htm

### **Scenario**

- -The member is aged 50 at assessment date (with 2 tranches of benefit).
- -Suppose the revalued scheme benefit at assessment date is (shown on next slide)

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# PPF Compensation Example 3 – deferred pensioner calculation for a s143 valuation

Benefits at asse	ssment date		
Tranche	Pre or post 97	NPA	Benefit (£ p.a.)
Tranche A	Pre97	60	20,000
Tranche B	Pre97	65	8,000
Tranche B	Post 97	65	15,000

# PPF Compensation Example 3 – deferred pensioner calculation for a s143 valuation

### <u>Step 1</u>:

Projection of compensation cap to NPA

- Project the compensation cap in force at assessment date to 60 or 65 (using the assumptions in the guidance)
- Note that the example uses sample values for the compensation cap
- 60:  $25,000 * 1.015^{10} = 29,013.52$
- 65:  $29,000 * 1.015^{15} = 36,256.73$

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# PPF Compensation Example 3 – deferred pensioner calculation for s143 valuation

### Step 2:

Calculate the % of cap used at each NPA

- % cap used at 60 = 20,000 / 29,013.52 = 68.93%
- % cap used at 65 =
  68.93% + (8,000 + 15,000) / 36,256.73 =
  132.37%

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### PPF Compensation Example 3 – deferred pensioner calculation for s143 valuation

### Step 3:

Now use the Cap percentages and the 90% factor to determine the benefits to value

- Tranche A
  - From 60 to 65 = £20,000 \* 90% = £18,000
  - At 65 = (20,000 / 132.37%) \* 90% = £13,598.25
- •Tranche B (pre-1997 element)
  - From 65 = (8,000 / 132.37%) \* 90% = £5,439.30
- Tranche B (post-1997 element)
  - From 65 = (15,000 / 132.37%) \* 90% = £10,198.69

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### PPF Compensation Example 4 – pensioner calculation for compensation

### Scheme Scenario

- XYZ Plc has entered the assessment period. The assessment date is 1/5/08. The scheme has a normal retirement age of 63.
- The scheme equalised on 1/1/94.
- Prior to 1/1/94 men could retire at 65 and women at 60.
- Members can retire unreduced from 60 with trustees and employer consent.
- Scheme's normal pension age for PPF purposes is 65, 63 or 60
- The NPA 63 tranche is actually split into two elements (pre97 and post97 not considered here)

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### PPF Compensation Example 4 – pensioner calculation for compensation

### Member Scenario

- Mr Smith early retired on 31/8/05 taking cash and a reduced pension.
- His date of birth is 31/3/47
- His pension is currently £33,500 pa
- His full pension (i.e. pre-commutation) is currently £42,500 p.a.
- The tranches are shown in the next slide
- What is his initial level of compensation at assessment date?

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# PPF Compensation Example 4 – pensioner calculation for compensation

Split of benefit into	tranches	
NPA	Pension of £33,500	Pension of £42,500
65	£3,500	£6,500
60	£3,000	£6,000
63	£27,000	£30,000

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### PPF Compensation Example 4 – pensioner calculation for compensation

- At assessment date member's age last birthday is 61
- Compensation cap for age 61 last birthday is £28,457.27
- Benefits subject to cap = £6,500 + £30,000
- Cap fraction = 36,500 / 28,457.27 = 128.2625%
- Apply cap fraction and 90% limit to appropriate tranches (of actual benefit)
  - Tranche 65: (3,500 / 128.2625%) \* 90% = £2,455.90
  - Tranche 60: £3,000
  - Tranche 63: (27,000 / 128.2625%) \* 90% = £18,945.52
  - Total: £24,401.42

### Member Scenario

Pension scheme member entitled to tranches of periodic compensation at ages 60 and 62

Assessment date – 1 March 2006

Normal Pension Date of Tranche 1 (60) – 1 October 2006

Normal Pension Date of Tranche 2 (62) - 1 October 2008

Compensation at Assessment Date

Pre 97: £27,000 (Tranche 1)

Post 97: £1,500 (Tranche 1)

£5,000 (Tranche 2)

### PPF Compensation Example 5 – deferred pensioner calculation for compensation where readjustment of pre and post 97 tranches is needed

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### <u>Step 1:</u>

Calculation of first tranche of compensation at 1 October 2006

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1^{st} Tranche (pre 97) = £27,000 * 1.02 * 90% = £24,786

1^{st} Tranche (post 97) = £1,500 * 1.02 * 90% = £1,377

(1.02 refers to revaluation by RPI – approx here)
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Total of first tranche = £24,786 + £1,377 = £26,163

### PPF Compensation Example 5 – deferred pensioner calculation for compensation where readjustment of pre and post 97 tranches is needed

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### Step 2:

Calculation of restricted compensation at 1 October 2006

Compensation cap at age 60 on 1 October 2006 = £26,214 Compensation cap reduced to 90% = £26,214 \* 0.9 = £23,593

Cap fraction = 26,163 / 23,593 = 110.893%1st tranche (pre 97) restricted to £24,786 / 110.893% = £22,351 1st tranche (post 97) restricted to £1,377 / 110.893% = £1,242

(NB Tax free cash could be taken here; a weighted average commutation factor would be used)

### Step 3:

Reapportionment of compensation at 1 October 2008

Compensation already in payment has exceeded the compensation cap and so 2<sup>nd</sup> tranche payable from age 62 will not result in an increase in compensation.

However, the amount in payment needs to be reapportioned between pre and post 97 compensation taking into account tranche 2, based on values at NPA before any commutation.

### Step 3 (continued):

Calculation of  $2^{nd}$  tranche of compensation at 1 October 2008  $2^{nd}$  tranche (post 97) = £5,000 \* 1.12 \* 90% = £5,040

1<sup>st</sup> tranche (post 97 element) has increased at 1 January 2007 and 1 January 2008

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At 1 October 2008 - 1^{st} tranche (pre 97) = £22,351 1^{st} tranche (post 97) = £1,242 * (1+0.025*3/12) * 1.025 = £1,281
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## PPF Compensation Example 5 – deferred pensioner calculation for compensation where readjustment of pre and post 97 tranches is needed

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Step 3 continued –	Reapportion compens	sation
Tranche	Compensation at NPA before any commutation	%
Tranche 1 pre 97	£24,786	79.44
Tranche 1 post 97	£1,377	4.41
Tranche 2 post 97	£5,040	16.15
Total	£31,203	100.00

## PPF Compensation Example 5 – deferred pensioner calculation for compensation where readjustment of pre and post 97 tranches is needed

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### Step 3 (continued):

Total current compensation at 1 October 2008 of £22,351 + £1,281 = £23,632 is reallocated between tranches as:

Tranche 1 pre 97 = £23,632 \* 79.44% = £18,773

Tranche 1 post 97 = £23,632 \* 4.41% = £1,042

Tranche 2 post 97 = £23,632 \* 16.15% = £3,817

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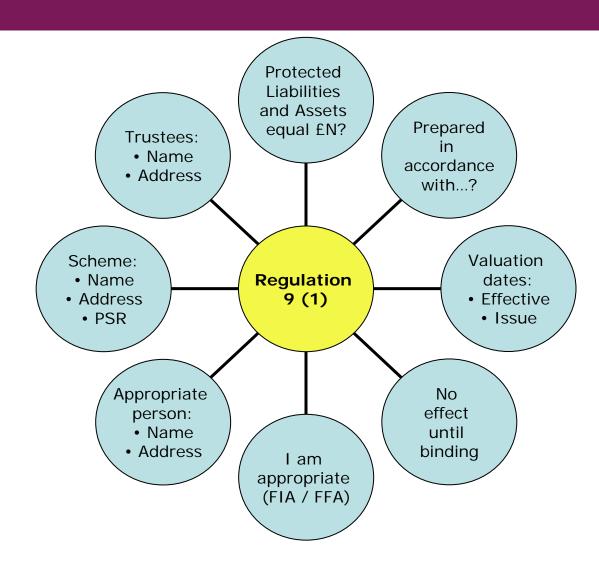
# Approval of section 143 valuations Purpose

- Board of the PPF required to approve the section 143 valuation under section 144 of Pensions Act 2004.
- Is the valuation prepared in accordance with section 143?
- Actuaries at PPF perform a review for compliance with legislation and PPF guidance.
- Recommendation made to the Board

- Statutory disclosure requirements met
- Assumptions stated
- Validity of data
- Agreement with protected liabilities
- Agreement with assets
- Complications

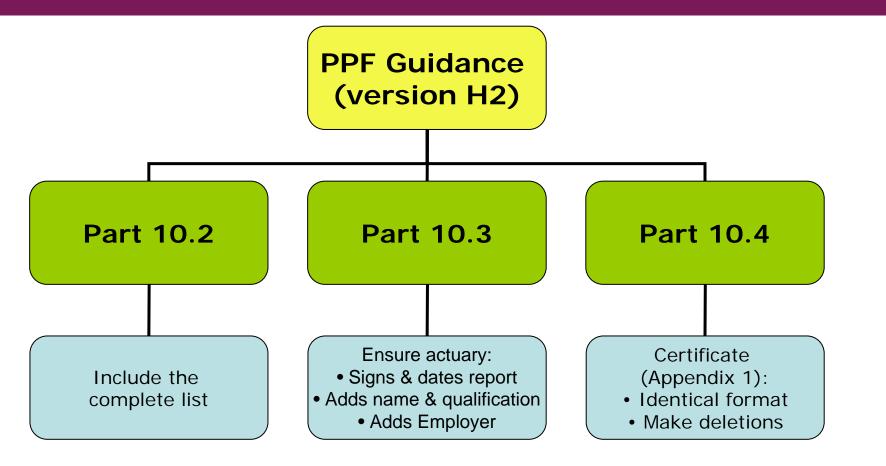
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### Approval of section 143 valuations What the PPF's actuaries check for - Statutory disclosure requirements (2)

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Board reliance upon the report – address / copy / statement

## Approval of section 143 valuations What the PPF's actuaries check for – Assumptions

- Report should set out all of the assumptions:
  - Requirements from 10.2 PLUS
  - Mortality assumptions
  - Proportion married assumptions
  - Age difference assumed
  - Application of cap
  - Expense assumptions
  - Non-prescribed assumptions made
- PPF check if these are correct / appropriate

- Review the descriptions in the report of:
  - Method of applying the cap and the outcome
  - Trustee actions to identify members and check data
  - Actuarial checks on the data
  - Any residual concerns?
- Consider if any outstanding data issues could materially affect the valuation results

### Approval of section 143 valuations What the PPF's actuaries check for – Protected Liabilities

- Is there a Data & Liability spreadsheet?
- Are the liabilities within reasonable bounds for each category?
- Have member's benefits at different NPA's been valued as separate tranches?
- Have members over NPA been valued correctly?:
  - 100% plus late retirement increases
  - Refer to legislation (PA2004, Schedule 7, paragraph 34 & 8)

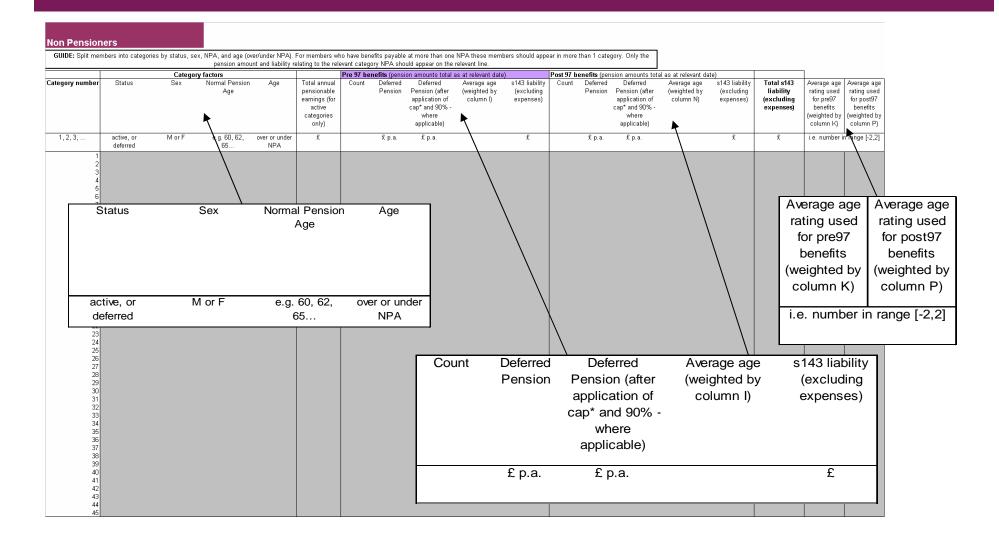
### Approval of section 143 valuations Data & Liability spreadsheet (1)

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Scheme name			
Membership summary (count)			
Status	М	F	Total
Active Deferred Pensioner			
Dependent (not including child dependents) Child dependent			
Total			
Other information			
Valuation date Assumed proportion marr Assumed proportion marr		е	

# Approval of section 143 valuations Data & Liability spreadsheet (2)

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- Are the assets stated consistent with the relevant accounts?
- Have any adjustments been made?
  - Types discussed in previous presentation
  - Explain adjustments in report
  - Refer to legislation
- Does the report show:
  - Assets figure in relevant accounts split into major asset types?
  - Assets figure used for the valuation split into the major asset types?

- Are there statements in the report detailing:
  - If any insurance policies exist or not
  - Whose name they were held in at the assessment date
  - Benefits covered where insured benefits are different from PPF compensation e.g. pension increases, spouses pensions, guarantees
  - The assumptions made and how they have been determined

- What does the report say about AVCs?
  - Have money purchase benefits been excluded?
- Have any AVCs been converted to scheme pension?
  - Deduct value of estimated buyout cost (of the unreduced pension) from the assets
  - Exclude the pension from the liability calculation
- Have added years AVCs been treated as defined benefit (i.e. part of compensation)?

## Approval of section 143 valuations What the PPF's actuaries check for – Complications

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- Review of apportionment approach
  - Agreement with application of TDR or discretion
  - Allocation of members to parts
  - Treatment of parts in relevant accounts
- Transfers out of the scheme
  - Only allow for if finalised before assessment date with a recipient scheme designated
- Equalisation
- What else has the actuary told us?

- Omitting the requirements of Regulation 9(1)
- Omitting the requirements of 10.2 (Guidance)
- Not covering the Trustees Audit
- Lack of information to check the valuation of insurance policies or AVC pensions
- Not including a description of the regulations used for changing asset values
- Incorrect methodology used for apportioning assets in multi-employer schemes

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### Questions



### Improving the s143 review process

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### What are we doing?

- Seminars like this one
- Top 10 tips
- FAQs on PPF website

Feedback from actuaries

Periodic updates to s143 guidance

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### Electronic submission of s143 reports

- Secure log on to PPF website
- Submit initial draft
  - Tick box (e.g. appropriate person)
  - Drop downs (e.g. version of guidance)
  - Boxes for numbers with validation (e.g. reconciliation of assets)
  - Free text (e.g. description of data checks)
- PPF actuaries review
- Further drafts submitted
- System produces final report for printing and signature

Would you welcome this?

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### Thank you for listening

### We look forward to receiving your s143 valuation!

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