

# **U.S. RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD**

CERTIFIED

2023 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE MONTHS AND COMPENSATION SERVICE AND COMPENSATION REPORTED FOR PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023



SERVICE AND COMPENSATION ON RECORD FOR REVIEW PERIOD							
	CREDITABLE	SEPARATION ALLOWANCE/ SEVERANCE PAYMENT		SERVICE MONTHS PROFILE*			
YEAR	COMPENSATION	TAXABLE AMOUNT	COMPENSATION AMOUNT	J F M A M J J A S O N D TOTAL			
2023							
2022							
2021							
2020							

\* 1 - A reported month; 0 - A month not reported; D - A "deemed" month

CAREER TOTAL RETIREMENT RECORD							
CREDITABLE	SEPARATION ALLOWANCE/ SEVERANCE PAYMENT		SERVICE MONTHS			EMPLOYEE	
COMPENSATION	TAXABLE AMOUNT	COMPENSATION AMOUNT	REPORTED	DEEMED	MILITARY	TOTAL	CONTRIBUTIONS

## YOUR 2023 REPORTING EMPLOYER(S)

The service and compensation shown on this form for 2023 were gathered from a report(s) received from the following employer(s):

RRB OFFICE SERVING YOUR AREA	2023 RUIA EARNINGS		
	QUALIFIED	QUALIFYING EARNINGS	

#### Always notify the Railroad Retirement Board if your address changes during the year.

**Form BA-6, Certificate of Service Months and Compensation**, is a statement of your service and compensation record at the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB). We sent you this form because you performed railroad service and/or received railroad compensation in 2023. This certificate shows you your service under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act and the Railroad Retirement Act (RRA) and your compensation under the RRA. *We use this information shown to determine whether you qualify for benefits and the amount of those benefits*. It does *not* show taxes deducted from your earnings under the Railroad Retirement Tax Act (RRTA).

**NOTE**: Compensation amounts on this certificate, which were reported to the RRB by your employer(s), may be less than amounts on your year-end payroll stub and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form W-2.

You can request a history statement online by clicking on the button labeled **Request Documents** at **RRB.gov/myRRB**.

For detailed information about how to review your Form BA-6, go to RRB.gov/BA6.

**HOW TO FILE A PROTEST** – If you believe your 2020-2023 service and/or compensation information is incorrect, you may file a formal protest with the RRB in writing or complete Form G-70, Protest Record of Service Months and Compensation. Get the form from our website or any RRB office. <u>YOU MUST FILE A PROTEST WITHIN FOUR YEARS OF THE DATE THE SERVICE</u> AND/OR COMPENSATION WAS TO BE REPORTED. When filing a protest, always include:

- Your social security number
  A clear description of the error you believe has occurred
- The employer's name Your duty station, department and occupation

You *must* submit evidence with your protest. Without evidence, we have no basis on which to request a correction if your employer does not agree with you. Check stubs are the best evidence to submit; your IRS Forms W-2 are useful but not as detailed as check stubs.

### Send your protest to Protest Unit-CESC, U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, 844 N. Rush Street, Chicago, IL 60611-1275.

If you protest the information in our records after the four-year period, we will not correct that information unless exceptional circumstances exist. *The following dates apply to the information on this certificate:* 

Earnings Year	2023	2022	2021	2020
Last Date to File a Protest	February 29, 2028	February 28, 2027	February 28, 2026	February 28, 2025

**NOTE:** Before filing a formal protest with the RRB, you may find it helpful to ask your employer about the reported amounts that you think are incorrect. However, keep in mind that discussing your earnings with your employer is not the same as filing a formal protest with the RRB and does not extend the time for filing a formal protest.

#### **NEWS YOU CAN USE**

- File Form SI-1a/b, Application for Sickness Benefits and Statement of Sickness, within 10 days of the first claimed day of sickness. *You may lose benefits if your application is filed late.*
- Submit proof of your *age* and *military service* as permanent records for RRB files. If you performed active military service in a branch of the Armed Forces, that service may increase or provide eligibility for benefits. Submit a copy of your latest DD-214 (or other service evidence) to your nearest RRB office for a determination of creditability. Your local RRB office will explain how to obtain acceptable evidence for proof of military service and age.
- Create a **myRRB** account at RRB.gov/myRRB to get annuity estimates, apply for or claim unemployment benefits, claim sickness benefits, view RUIA account statement, and review service and compensation history.
- RRB publications covering benefits and other related topics are available at **RRB.gov** under the **Benefits** tab of the main menu. In addition, frequently asked questions are answered online at **RRB.gov**/FAQ.
- Call us toll-free (877-772-5772) and use the automated menu for unemployment and sickness claim information.
- Visit your local RRB office to speak with an RRB representative or pick up informational pamphlets. See the "**RRB Office Serving Your Area**" section on the front of this form for the phone number or address. Although most items can be handled by telephone, our field staff will be glad to help you with any railroad retirement matter. Please phone ahead to arrange a convenient time to speak with a representative.

RRB Representatives Available: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Closed Federal Holidays