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“Distribution Calendar Year”

Distribution Calendar Year

• A term that is part of the RMD regulations.
• RMD required for each “distribution calendar year.”
• RMDs may not be rolled over, or transferred, in any distribution calendar year, including the first distribution calendar year.

• First distribution calendar year is the year that age 70½ is attained, or, if the plan permits, for non-5% owners, the year the employee retires.
  – Grace period of April 1 after first distribution calendar year to take first RMD, i.e by the RBD.
  – For every other distribution calendar year, the RMD must be taken by December 31.
Distribution Calendar Year
1.401(a)(9)-5 Q&A, 1(b)

• “b) Distribution calendar year. A calendar year for which a minimum distribution is required is a distribution calendar year. If an employee’s required beginning date is April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee attains age 70 1/2, the employee’s first distribution calendar year is the year the employee attains age 70 1/2. If an employee’s required beginning date is April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee retires, the employee’s first distribution calendar year is the calendar year in which the employee retires.”

Required Beginning Date Issues
Required Beginning Date

Code Section 401(a)(9)(C)

The term “required beginning date” means April 1 of the calendar year following the later of—

(i) the calendar year in which the employee attains age 70½, or
(ii) the calendar year in which the employee retires.

Exception. — Subclause (II) of clause (i) shall not apply—

(I) except as provided in section 409(d), in the case of an employee who is a 5-percent owner (as defined in section 416) with respect to the plan year ending in the calendar year in which the employee attains age 70½,

(ii) for purposes of section 408(a)(6) or (b)(3).

Required Beginning Date

Final Regulations Section 401(a)-2 Q&A 2 (b) and (c)

1.401(a)(9)-2 Q&A 2 (b) and (c):

"Q–2. For purposes of section 401(a)(9)(C), what does the term required beginning date mean?

• (b) In the case of an employee who is a 5-percent owner, the term required beginning date means April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee attains age 70½.

• (c) For purposes of section 401(a)(9), a 5-percent owner is an employee who is a 5-percent owner (as defined in section 416) with respect to the plan year ending in the calendar year in which the employee attains age 70½."

2015 ASPPA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
RBD in Qualified Plan
Plan Document Defines RBD

• Document may define RBD as:
  – April 1 after year 70½ is reached for all
  – April 1 after year 70½ is reached for 5% owners AND non-5% owners severed by/in the year age 70½
  – April 1 after year of retirement after age 70½ for non-5% owners
    • Plan may permit in-service at age 70½ for non-5% owners still working – or not
    • If plan does not have in-service, employees looking for RMD are confused

• Check your plan document

RBD: 5% Owner Case Studies
Question 1

Q. A client is currently a 5% owner through the family attribution rules because his wife owns the business. He is reaching the age of 70½ in 2015. But if his wife sells prior to December 31, 2015 does that mean the client is not a 5% owner?
RBD: 5% Owner Case Studies
Question 2

Q. A 74 year old 5% owner began taking RMDs from his company’s 401(k) plan when he attained age 70½. He is still working for the same company and has recently sold all his ownership interest in the company. Must he continue taking RMDs?

RBD: 5% Owner Case Studies
Question 3

Q. A 5% owner is attaining age 70½ on July 31, 2015. He sold his interest in the company on July 12, 2014. The 401(k)’s plan year is July 1 to June 30. Is he a 5% owner for RMD purposes?
RBD: 5% Owner Case Studies

Question 4

If I stop being a 5% owner after RBD, I must continue RMDs.

Q. I was an employed non-5% on April 1, after the year I reached age 70½ and became a 5% owner AFTER then?

RBD: 5% Owner Case Studies

Question 5

Your firm takes over another firm’s plans. In reviewing them you find a owner-only plan for a Doctor who is 84 years old. The Doc has been making contributions each year, but there have been no RMDs. How do you proceed?
RBD: Non-5% Owner Case Studies

Question 1

Q. Plan defines RBD for non-5% owners as April 1 of the year following the later of the year age 70½ is reached or after the year of retirement.

– How do you handle non-5% owners who are still employed in the year they attain age 70½ and that want to start RMDs?

RBD: Non-5% Owner Case Studies

Question 2

The RMD regulations state: “If an employee’s required beginning date is April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee retires, the employee’s first distribution calendar year is the calendar year in which the employee retires.”

Q. The definition uses the word retires. Do RMDs start when the employee “retires” but actually continues to work for the employer on a hourly basis 3 days a week?
RBD: Non-5% Owner Case Studies

Question 3

Plan defines RBD for non-5% owners as April 1 of the year following the later of the year age 70½ is reached or after the year of retirement.

Q. Non-5% owner is age 75 and tells the employer he is going to retire in November 2016. It is now February 2016 and he wants to make an in-service distribution and arrange to send a direct rollover to an IRA. The participant is told he must first take an RMD before the direct rollover. Do you agree?

RBD: Non-5% Owner Case Studies

Question 4

Q. Would it be administratively simpler to operate the plan with the same RBD for all participant, i.e. April 1 after age 70½ for all?

• Q. Does anyone recommend this?

• Q. Can you change back to this definition?
RBD: Non-5% Owner Case Studies
Question 5

RBD for non-5% owners is defined as April 1 of the year following the later of the year age 70½ is reached or the year of retirement.

The plan accepts rollover of pretax funds from traditional (non-Roth) IRAs. The participant is beyond the IRA’s RBD.

Q. May a non-5% owner roll his/her traditional (non-Roth) IRAs - less his/her IRA RMD for the year - into the qualified plan and defer RMDs on the IRA money rolled into the plan until April 1 after retirement?

RBD: Non-5% Owner Case Studies
Question 6

Q. RBD for non-5% owners is defined as April 1 of the year following the later of the year age 70½ is reached or the year of retirement.

- Plan terminates on September 30, 2015. The company and the employees continue.
- As part of the plan termination distributions, must the plan pay RMDs to the non-5% owners who are over age 70½ and still working?
RBD: Plans Subject to QJSA

Question 1

Q. A plan is subject to QJSA requirements, what are the participants options at or just before RBD?

RBD: Plans Subject to QJSA

Question 2

Q. What could the plan administrator do when the plan is subject to QJSA requirements and the participant and spouse do not waive the annuity and do not respond by RBD?
RBD: Plans Subject to QJSA
Question 3

Q. What if the plan has no response from the participant by RBD and does nothing?

Rollovers and RMDs
Rollovers and RMDs: Case Studies

Question 1

A non-5% owner severs employment on October 9, 2015 at age 72 and must receive an RMD by April 1, 2016.

Q. Is there a difference in the requirement to distribute an RMD if the participant terminates and then promptly takes a new job at an unrelated company?

Rollovers and RMDs: Case Studies

Question 2

Q. In the year the retired 401(k) participant attains age 70½ (i.e. in the first distribution calendar year but before RBD), may a participant roll the entire balance to an IRA?
Rollovers and RMDs: Case Studies

Question 3

Q. RMDs are critical to return at least 50% of the participant’s tax deferred retirement assets to the tax stream while the participant is alive, (rather then them becoming funds for a beneficiary). Other than that why are RMDs not eligible for rollover?

Question 4

Q. Can you provide an example of a non-5% owner severing employment at age 74 and directly rolling his 401(k) balance to an IRA?

• ABC Firm 401(k) participant, age 74, directly rolls his 401(k) to a traditional IRA on July 20, 2015, less the 401(k) RMD for 2015
  – RMD for 2015 is to be calculated before the direct rollover is made and the RMD may not be rolled over to the IRA
  – Institution receiving rollover unable to calculate minimum for 2015 because they had no balance on 12-31-14 to use in the calculation
    • Plus, Section 401(a)(9) requires qualified plan to distribute RMD, not send it to an IRA, where it may or may not be distributed
  – IRA owner starts calculating RMD for 2016, based on 12-31-15 IRA balance
Rollovers and RMDs: Case Studies

Question 5

Q. How is an improper rollover of an RMD into an IRA to be handled?

Q. How is an improper rollover of an RMD into an qualified plan to be handled?

Other RMD Calculation Issues
Other Calculation Case Studies

Question 1

Q. Are there other methods of calculating RMDs in a DC plan?

Q. Would you have an example of Level payments calculated using Uniform Lifetime Table’s time period?

– Balance - $500,000
– Interest - 10%
– Payout – 26 years
  • Annual Level Amount $54,058

– This isn’t goal of most participants, i.e. to take lowest RMD and pay least tax.

– Compare the account balance method
  • At 70 $500,000/27.4 = $18,248
  • At 71 $500,000/26.5 = $18,868
Other Calculation Case Studies
Question 2

Q. How do you calculate RMDs in an off-calendar year plan?

Q. Would you have an example?

– Balance forward plans calculation

  • Balance 6-30-14 $24,000
  • Between 7-1 and 12-31-14
    – +Deferrals $1,000
    – +ER Allocations $2,000
    – -Distributions - $500
  • Balance 12-31-14 $26,500

– Age 71 in 2015, use 26.5

  • $26,500/26.5 = $1,000 RMD
Variety of Issues Case Study 1

Fees and Low Balance RMD

401(k) charges participants a $50.00 distribution fee. If a terminated participant’s balance is less than $50.00, the entire balance is taken as a fee, resulting in no distribution.

Q. If a Participant is over age 70½, and has a balance less than $50.00, is the RMD to be paid first, or can we take the entire balance as a fee, resulting in no RMD being paid for that year?
Variety of Issues Case Study 2
Federal Tax Withholding and RMDs

Q. A participant’s RMD is $1,600. The participant wants to withdraw $10,000 and does not want any tax withholding. What do you say to the participant?

Variety of Issues Case Study 3
RMD Due and No Liquid Assets

Q. A participant is in his first distribution calendar year and you notify him that he is required to take an RMD by April 1 of the next year. The participant states that he has no liquid assets in the plan. He had rolled everything out to an IRA two years ago, except the real estate. What are the participant’s options?
Variety of Issues Case Study 4
RMD Notification to Former Employee

Q. I mailed the notification that the former employee is turning 70½ this year and the nonspouse beneficiary responded and said the former employee died 8 years ago. What is to be done now?

Variety of Issues Case Study 5
RMD Aggregation

Q. Participant tells you they took the RMD for his solo-k from his broker. You find out that he took the aggregate RMD of his broker IRA and his broker solo-k from his IRA for the past three years because he knew he could aggregate the RMDs.

What do you say?
Recent Changes that Relate to the RMD Rules

RR 2014-9
Scenario 1

The plan administrator of a qualified plan receives a 2015 direct rollover check from a prior employer’s plan. The check may be presumed to come from a plan that is qualified IF:

◦ The Form 5500, for the distributing plan, did not enter Code 3C on line 8a (as that would indicate non-qualified plan status). Form 5500-SF look at line 9a for the 3C.
  • Plan administrator is to go to DOL Form 5500 web site to verify this, i.e. www.efast.dol.gov, search for plan’s most recently filed form
  ◦ PROVIDED, there is no evidence to the contrary.
  ◦ If RMD is due for the year, distributing plan is responsible to have made the RMD before the direct rollover.
RR 2014-9
Scenario 2

• **Section 402(c) ➔ traditional IRA (pre-tax amounts only) rollovers may be accepted by a qualified plan, if plan provision**

• Exceptions to this rule:
  – Inherited IRA
  – SIMPLE IRA where participant lacked two years of participation

• Qualified plan receiving a check payable to: “Qualified plan FBO the participant” from a traditional (not-inherited) IRA may safely assume that the funds are from a traditional, non-inherited IRA, if:
  • Check stub indicates distributing account is titled “IRA of Name of the Distributee.”
  • The distributee certifies:
    – The distribution is from a traditional IRA and includes no after-tax dollars, and
    – He or she will not attain age 70½ by the end of year of the transfer
  • Provided, there is no evidence to the contrary

• **Rollover Later Found Ineligible: Disgorge, plus earnings**

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Qualified Longevity Annuity Contract (QLAC) Concepts

– With individuals living longer, the QLAC is to help prevent them outliving their retirement funds by providing for an annuity income stream to start as late as at age 80, but no later than age 85

– Regulation is effective July 2, 2014

– Amount that may be invested in a QLAC is limited to the lesser of:
  • 25% of participant’s balance, or
  • $125,000, subject to COLA in increments of $10,000

• **The amount invested in the QLAC is excluded from the RMD calculation.**
Qualified Longevity Annuity Contract (QLAC) Concepts

• Special RMD rules for payments from a QLAC
  – Generally, the QLAC annuity payment satisfies the RMD for the QLAC
  – Generally, the issuer of the contract will be responsible paying the annuity.
  – There are special rules for 403(b)s
    • If spouse is sole beneficiary and participant dies before annuity starts, spouse is permitted to exceed the annuity that would have been paid to the participant to the degree necessary to satisfy the QPSA rules, if an ERISA 403(b). See A–3(d) of § 1.401(a)–20 and § 1.403(b)–5(e).

• QLAC Regulations may be found at:

Windsor and Oberegfell RMD Regulation Impact

• Same-gender marriages are spouses for RMD regulations purposes
  – RMD ➔ joint life tables if spouse is more than 10 years younger
  – Surviving spouse beneficiary rules apply in regard to rollovers
  – Surviving spouse may wait until the deceased participant would have been age 70½ to commence payments.
Designated Roth RMD Issues

Roth 401(k) Case Studies
Question 1

A participant has $15,000 in 401(k) Roth that has not met the 5 year rule and is not qualified distribution money. The participant also has $75,000 in pretax dollars.

Q. The participant’s RMD for the year is $4,000. Can the RMD come only from the non-Roth source if the participant so chooses? or must the RMD be pro-rata of Roth (including pro-rata taxable earnings) and pre-tax?
**Roth 401(k) Case Studies**

*Question 2*

Roth IRA not subject to RMDs while Roth IRA owner is alive (beneficiaries are subject to RMDs).

Designated Roth is subject to RMD rules due to Code Section 401(a)(9).

Q. Is there a way to avoid Designated Roth RMD payments?

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**The 5-Year Clock**

**Rollover to Roth IRA – Examples**

1. Michelle leaves employment at age 68 in 2015. She had deferred into her Roth 401(k) for 2012 and 2015
   - She rolls her money to a First ever NEW Roth IRA in 2015
   - The 5-year clock starts over again in 2015 in Roth IRA!!!

2. Raquel leaves employment in at age 72 in 2015. She had deferred into her Roth 401(k) for 2012 and 2015
   - She rolls her money to a Roth IRA in 2015, less RMD
   - She had opened the Roth IRA in 1999
   - The 5-year clock on the amount rolled into the Roth IRA has been satisfied (as it picks up the Roth IRA clock which started in 1999)!!

3. If the designated Roth dollars are “qualified distribution”, then they are considered “basis” when entering the IRA.
   - If qualified distribution rolled into a new Roth IRA,
     - Earnings made by a new Roth IRA (after the qualified distribution is rolled in), must wait 5-years to be tax free.
The 50% Penalty and the Individual Waiver

(a) General Rule

If the amount distributed during the taxable year of the payee under any qualified retirement plan or any eligible deferred compensation plan (as defined in section 457(b)) is less than the minimum required distribution for such taxable year, there is hereby imposed a tax equal to 50 percent of the amount by which such minimum required distribution exceeds the actual amount distributed during the taxable year. The tax imposed by this section shall be paid by the payee.”
How Is the 50% Penalty Paid?
IRS Form 5329, Attached to 1040

(d) Waiver of tax in certain cases

If the taxpayer establishes to the satisfaction of the Secretary that –

1. the shortfall described in subsection (a) in the amount distributed during any taxable year was due to reasonable error, and

2. reasonable steps are taken to remedy the shortfall, the Secretary may waive the tax imposed by subsection (a) for the taxable year.

Code Section 4974
Individual Waiver Method

**FORM 5329 Instructions:**

“Waiver of tax. The IRS can waive part or all of this tax if you show that any shortfall in the amount of distributions was due to reasonable error and you are taking appropriate steps to remedy the shortfall. If you believe you qualify for this relief, attach a statement of explanation and file Form 5329 as follows.

1. Complete lines 50 and 51 as instructed.
2. Enter “RC” and the amount you want waived in parentheses on the dotted line next to line 52. Subtract this amount from the total shortfall you figured without regard to the waiver, and enter the result on line 52.
3. Complete line 53 as instructed. You must pay any tax due that is reported on line 53.

   - The IRS will review the information you provide and decide whether to grant your request for a waiver.”

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**Individual Waiver Method Taxable Year**

- Missed RMD is taxable in year it should have been distributed.

- An amended Form 1040X is to be filed with the Form 5329 for the appropriate tax year.
Correcting RMD Failures Using EPCRS

Preliminary Considerations

- Code Section 401(a)(9) is a qualification requirement that all qualified plans must meet by distributing RMDs

- If full RMD is not distributed, then there is a 50% penalty based on the amount of the RMD that was not distributed.
  - 50% penalty for missed RMD is on the participant

- RMD process is complex

- IRS recognizes complexity and frequency of missed RMDs
  - Adding a reduced fee correction method to EPCRS in 2006
VCP Fee If Missed RMD Are Sole Plan Failure


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- Regardless number of participants
- Less than general VCP schedule:
- Requires VCP submission

EPCRS Penalty Waiver
Section 6.09(2)

- **EPCRS (RP 2013-12, Page 43) does not automatically waive the 50% penalty when the employer files under VCP.**
- As part of VCP or Audit CAP (not available under SCP), in appropriate cases, the IRS may waive the (§4974) 50% excise tax applicable to plan participants.
Under VCP,

Plan Sponsor, as part of VCP submission, must request the waiver of the §4974 excise tax, and

where anyone subject to excise tax is either:

- an owner-employee as defined in §401(c)(3) or
- a 10% owner of a corporation, then:

Plan Sponsor must provide explanation support request

Waiver eliminates need for relief to be requested individually by each affected participant

- If VCP is not used to waive the excise tax, then each affected individual is responsible for their 50% penalty.

EPCRS Section 11.02(h) (Page 61-62)

If the plan failed to make RMDs, and proposes to correct such failure using the method described above (in Appendix A, section .06, page 84-85), then the Plan Sponsor should submit Form 14568-H, Appendix C, Part II, Schedule 8.

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IRS Form 14568-H

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Failure to Pay Required Minimum Distributions
Timely under § 401(a)(9)

OMB Number 1545-1873

Please include the plan name, Applicant’s EIN, and plan number information on each page of the submission.

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Section II - Description of the Proposed Method of Correction

- Defined Contribution plan only - The plan will distribute the required minimum distributions (with Earnings from the date of the failure to the date of distribution) to affected participants. For each affected participant, the amount to be distributed for each year in which the failure occurred will be determined by dividing the adjusted account balance on the applicable valuation date by the applicable distribution period. For this purpose, adjusted account balance means the act account balance, determined in accordance with § 1.401(a)(9)-6 Q&A-3 of the Income Tax Regulations, reduced by the amount of the total missed minimum distributions for prior years.

- Defined Benefit plan only - The plan will distribute the required minimum distributions plus an interest payment representing the loss of such amounts. The interest adjustment is determined as follows:
Section III - Request for Relief

☐ A. The Applicant requests relief with regard to excise taxes under § 4974

Yes   No
☐   ☐ At least one affected participant is either an owner-employee (see § 401(c)(3)) or, if the Plan Sponsor is a corporation, a 10% owner of such corporation.

If "Yes," the Applicant submits the following explanation for its request for relief from the § 4974 excise tax:

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Section IV - Change in Administrative Procedures

Please include an explanation of how and why the failures cease and a description of the measures that will be implemented to ensure that the same failures will not recur.

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Section V - Enclosures

In addition to the applicable items listed in the Procedural Requirements Checklist for Form 6930, the Plan Sponsor encloses the following with this submission:

Specific calculations for each affected employee or a representative sample of affected employees. (The sample calculations must be sufficient to demonstrate each aspect of the correction method proposed. For a defined benefit plan, these specific calculations must illustrate the interest rate used to represent the loss of the use of the missed required minimum distributions.)
Correction Includes Distribution of Missed RMDs Plus Earnings

- EPCRS Appendix A, Section .06, (Page 84-85)
- In a DC plan, correction ➔ distribute the missed RMDs + earnings from failure date to distribution date.
- If more than one year’s RMD missed
  - Determine the amount to distribute for each year, starting when the initial failure occurred, by
    - dividing the adjusted account balance on the applicable valuation date by the applicable distribution period.
    - For this purpose, adjusted account balance means the actual account balance, determined in accordance with §1.401(a)(9)-5 Q&A-3*, reduced by the amount of the total missed minimum distributions for prior years.
    * Balance valued on 12-31, (if last valuation before 12-31, then adjust for contributions or distributions after the valuation date until 12-31)
- In a DB plan, the permitted correction method is to distribute the missed required minimum distributions, plus an interest payment representing the loss of use of such amounts.

Correction of Missed DC RMD Plus Earnings - Example

**Missed RMDs for 2012, 2013 and 2014**

- Missed RMD for 2012
  - 12-31-11 FMV $100,000/25.6 (age 72) = 3906.25*
- Missed RMD for 2013
  - 12-31-12 FMV $108,000-3906.25/24.7 (age 73) = $4,214.32*
- Missed RMD for 2014
  - 12-31-13 FMV $115,000-3906.25-4214.32/23.8 (age 74) = $4,490.73*

* Gains/Losses to be calculated and distributed on each RMD amount from date it should have been distributed until distribution date.
Questions and Comments

- Thanks for Attending!

- Questions or comments may be sent to me at: wcgrossman@dstrs.com