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# City of Riverside, California Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual

Human Resources Director

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Okay.SUBJECT: EMPLOYEE SEPARATION

#### **PURPOSE:**

To <u>define theestablish uniform guidelines to ensure consistent</u> procedures for separating employees from City service due to resignation, retirement, termination, or death, and to provide for the orderly accounting and return of <u>City</u> issued <u>property. work items belonging to the City of Riverside.</u>

#### **POLICY:**

- I. Notice of Separation/Departmental Forms Processing
- A. An employee will Employees are encouraged to provide their supervisor with a minimum of two weeks' notice of their intention to notify his or her supervisor at least two weeks prior to the date he or she intends to separate from City employment, with the City. At the time of notice, the employee will complete and sign a Resignation/Retirement Form. In the event of a planned retirement, an employee should attempt to provide sufficient notice to the department to allow for budgeting of possible sick and vacation leave payoffs. See (V-13) Retirement Policy (CalPERS), for more information on retirement.
- B. An employee's separation date should be the last day worked. Uupon supervisor or manager approval, the employee may instead request that their separation date be an authorized paid leave (vacation or compensatory time; sick leave may be used if employee has a medical certification on file or workers compensation case) not to exceed two weeks. An employee may not request their separation date to fall on a City designated hHoliday, unless the employee is scheduled to work on such holiday as a regularly scheduled workday.

B.In all cases, the Notice of Employee Separation Form will be completed and, if possible, signed by the employee.

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City of Riverside, California **Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual** Human Resources Director City Manager *Number:* <u>I-8</u> *Effective Date:* <u>07/06TBD</u> -The supervisor will use the Employee Separation Checklist Form to account for all City\_-owned\_itemsproperty being returned. The Finance Department will determine the value of City property. replacement cost of items Property not returned by the employee will be deducted from the employee's final paycheck as permitted by law. Departments will notify Human Resources of impending separations by submitting an electronic Personnel Action Form with the above-mentioned forms. D.

### II. Separation Processing Appointment

- A. Separating employees are not required to meet with Human Resources staff before separating from employment. However, an employee may contact Human Resources via telephone or —and—request an personal appointment if he/she—the employee wishes erto obtain information regarding the following—via telephone: It is the separating employee's responsibility to schedule an appointment with the Human Resources Department for separation processing. The employee may request that this appointment be conducted in person or by telephone.
- B. Separation processing includes discussion of benefit-related issues including:
  - -1. Final paycheck and/or payoff check
  - 12. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)
  - 32. Deferred compensation
  - 43. Health and dental insurance
  - 54. Retiree programs (if applicable)
  - 65. Address changes/verifications
  - **76**. Other benefits information
  - CB. Employees that may have an outstanding debt with the City related to unpaid insurance premiums or overpayment in salary, will have their final paycheck reduced for the amount owed to the City as permitted by law. If the final paycheck is not sufficient to cover the debt, the separating employee will be invoiced for the outstanding amount and responsible to paying the City directly. Failure to satisfy the debt may result in the City taking necessary action in accordance with established debt collection process.
  - C.- Employees may contact the Payroll Division for information regarding final paycheck and/or payoff check. Vacation, Comp Time, Sick Leave and other applicable accrual balances will be paid in accordance to the City's Fringe Benefit and Salary Plan. California Labor Code Section 220(b) provides an exemption to municipal corporations from the requirement to provide final payment of wages and benefits to the separating employee within 72 hours of the separation date. Therefore, the City will issue a final paycheck to the separating employee within a reasonable time, which has been determined to be with the

regular paycheck processing for the pay period in which the employee separates.

<u>D. For Ttemporary/Sseasonal employees, are not required to schedule a separation processing appointment.</u> Tthe Human Resources Department shall provide separated temporary employeeswill automatically process a dDeferred cCompensation pPayout rRequest Fform at the end of temporary service upon receipt of the Personnel Action Form in accordance with Internal Revenue Service guidelines.

### III. Death of Employee

- A. <u>Upon receiving notification of the death of an employee, the Ddepartments</u> must notify the Human Resources Department immediately. <u>The separation date of employment shall be made effective as of the date of the employee's death.</u> of the death of an employee. The forms identified in Section I (B-DE) must be completed and returned to Human Resources.
  - Departments may also contact the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to request that a representative be available on-site to assist co-workers in dealing with the employee's death. Departments may also wish to refer surviving family members to the Employee Assistance Program for grief counseling. The Human Resources Department staff are also available to coordinate such services.
  - B. The Human Resources Department will coordinate, with the deceased employee's beneficiaries, the completion of all necessary paperwork for benefit claims including Life, Accidental Death and -Dismemberment (if applicable), and CalPERS. Human Resources will also request that the appropriate deferred compensation representatives contact the employee's beneficiaries, if applicable.
- C. The Payroll Division of the Finance Department will calculate the final paycheck and/or payoff check as applicable and make it payable to the beneficiary listed on the employee's most recent Designation of —Beneficiary Authorized to Receive Final Payroll Check in the Event of Death Form. In the event Payroll does not have a beneficiary designation form on file, the Payroll Division will be required to

#### PROCEDURE:

Responsibility Action

Employee

1. Notifies Supervisor of intention to separate at least two weeks prior to effective date.

	2.	Schedules a personal or telephone separation processing appointment with Human Resources.
Department	3.	Ensures that the Resignation Form, Notice of Employee Checklist Form and Personnel Action Form are completed and submitted to Human Resources.
	4.	Sends employee acknowledgment of resignation letter. (See Human Resources for sample)
	5.	Notifies Human Resources of death of an employee.
	6.	Contacts the Employee Assistance Program to request the on-site availability of a representative for grief counseling when an employee has died.
	7.	Advises the deceased employee's family of the availability of grief counseling through the Employee Assistance Program.
	8.	Collects all City-owned items issued to employee.
	9.	Notifies Payroll of any items not listed on Employee Check List Form not returned and the amount to deduct from the final paycheck.
Human Resources	10.	Provides available benefits information to employee at time of separation processing appointment.
	11.	Completes and submits claim forms for applicable Life Insurance, Accidental Death and Dismemberment, and CalPERS accounts in the event of an employee's death.
	<del>12.</del>	Notifies deferred compensation representatives and requests contact with the beneficiary in the event of an



## employee's death.

nance Department/Payroll Division	<del>- 13.</del>	Prepares final paycheck after receipt of separation Personnel Action Form from Human Resources.
	<del>- 14.</del>	Processes final paycheck made payable to beneficiary in event of employee's death.
Human Resources	<del>- 15.</del>	Files Employee Separation Checklist, Notice of Employee Separation, Personnel Action Forms and City ID card in employee official personnel file.
Employee	<del>- 16.</del>	Completes and submits all paperwork provided during exit interview appointment.

The Human Resources Department will have administrative authority to update any attached forms to this policy on an as-needed basis.

#### Attachments:

- 1. Employee <u>Issue and</u> Separation Checklist
- 2. Notice of Employee Separation
- \_\_\_\_23. Resignation/Retirement Form

City of Riverside  EMPLOYEE SEPARATION CHECKLIST									
Name:									
Department:									
Locker #:									
	RETURNED								
	Amount	Serial #	Date	Employee's	Supervisor's	N/A			
				<del>IIIILIAIS</del>	<del>IIIIIIai5</del>				
I.D. Card									
Conflict of Interest	Should be r	eturned to City C	<del>lerk's</del>						
	<del>Onice.</del>								
Uniforms, Uniform Jackets,									
Rain Gear, Rubber Boots									
Keys									

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Vehicle Identification Card				
Manuals				
Tools				
Pager/Cellular Phone				
Personal Protective Equipment				
Laptop Computer				
Computer Purchase Plan				

Outstanding Cash Advances			
Other:			

SEPARATION DOCUMENTS					
Exit Interview	Should be scheduled by employee with the Human Resources Department for any benefit related forms (909 951-826-5639).				
Notice of Employee Separation	Employee and supervisor should review and complete form.				
Resignation Form	Employee and supervisor should review and complete form.				

*Attach additional listi	<del>ng as needed.</del>		
Employee Signature:			
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Supervisor Signature:			

cc: Personnel File
Department
Employee



# CITY OF RIVERSIDE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE ISSUE AND SEPARATION CHECKLIST

Name:	Employee Identification #:								
Department:	Division:								
Locker #:									
	CITY PR	OPERTY	ISSUED			RET	URNED CITY	PROPERTY	
	Amount Issued	Serial #	<u>Date</u> <u>Issued</u>	Employee's Initials	Supervisor's Initials	<u>Date</u> <u>Returned</u>	Employee's Initials	Supervisor's Initials	N/A
I.D. Card*									
Parking Card*									
Conflict of Interest**									
Uniforms/Jackets/Boots									
<u>Keys</u>									
Vehicle Identification Card									
Manuals/Software									
Tools									
Pager/Cellular									
Personal Protective									
Laptop Computer/iPAD									
P - Card									
Outstanding Cash									
VPN Token									
Home Use Equipment									
Other:									
(Attach additional listing as neede									
*Should be returned to Human Re **Should be returned to the City (	Clerk's Office								
Property NOT returned by the employee will be deducted from the employee's final paycheck									
OTHER SEPARATION ITEMS									
Email/Voicemail	Supervisor should contact IT to disable email access and Telecommunications to reset								
		voicemail password.							
Resignation/Retirement Fo	Resignation/Retirement Form Employee and supervisor should review and complete form.								
Employee Signature:						Date:			
Supervisor Signature:					г	)ate:			



# CITY OF RIVERSIDE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

# **RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT FORM**

Please complete the information below and submit the id	orm to your department tw	vo weeks prior to the separation date.
<u>I,                                    </u>	employed by the City of R	Riverside since
. My employee ID	is	<u>.</u>
My present classification is		, and my present salary is
<u>\$</u>		
I will be retiring from the City of Riverside as of this effective	ctive date (last day on Pa	ayroll):
Important Note: The effective date of retirement with usually be your last day of work. This date cannot be example, if your last day work with the City is 12/30/any date after 12/30/15.  OR  I will be resigning from the City of Riverside as of this effective date of retirement with usually be your last day of work. This date cannot be example, if your last day work with the City is 12/30/any date after 12/30/15.  OR  I herewith submit my voluntary resignation for the follows:	e the same as your off /15, then your CalPERS	icial CalPERS retirement date, for S retirement date can be 12/31/15 or
Employee's Signature	Date	
Department Head's Signature	<u>Date</u>	

Reinstatement for voluntary resignations

An employee who resigns may be considered for reinstatement to the position previously held subject to the following requirements based on Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual I-4:

- 1. Recommendation of the Department Head.
- 2. Approval of the Human Resources Director.
- 3. A favorable medial report from the City's medical examiner.
- 4. Reinstatement must take place within one year from the date of resignation.