

Key Retirement-Age Milestones

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PENALTY FREE WITHDRAWALS

If distributions are needed from retirement accounts, no more early withdrawal tax penalties apply.

Withdrawals will now be taxed as ordinary income with no penalties.

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MEDICARE

Sign up for Medicare and Medicare Part D. Additional coverage can be purchased for prescription and increased benefit coverage.

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RMDs BEGIN

Starting at age 72, required minimum withdrawals are required from most retirement plans.

Failing to withdraw the amount required results in a 50% penalty.

CATCH-UP CONTRIBUTIONS

You can now begin making catch-up contributions to your retirement account. This is an extra amount that is allowed annually starting at age 50.

Set up an online account with social security (ssa.gov) and check every year for earnings accuracy. Your benefits are based on your earnings.

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REDUCED SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFIT

Earliest age to collect Social Security retirement benefits; however, claiming before full retirement age results in reduced monthly benefits.

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FULL AND INCREASED SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFIT

Depending on the year you were born, you can start receiving full social security benefits between the ages of 66-67.

If you delay collecting social security benefits, credits, which increases your benefit for each month claiming is delayed between full retirement age and age 70.

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