



DISABILITY RETIREMENT UNDER THE FOREIGN SERVICE PENSION SYSTEM (FSPS)

A copy of this completed form must accompany your Application for Retirement

1. Name (Last, First, MI)	2. Date of Birth (mm-dd-yyyy)	3. Social Security Number
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Applying for Disability Retirement

If you are applying for disability retirement under the Foreign Service Pension System (FSPS), you must provide evidence that you have applied for Social Security disability benefits. Such evidence may be a copy of: 1) your application receipt; or 2) your award notice (if one has been issued).

If you are under the age 62, and are not receiving an earned annuity based on age 50/20 years of service, your disability benefits under FSPS must be reduced by 100 percent of your Social Security disability annuity for any month in which you are entitled to Social Security disability benefits during the first 12 months of your receipt of an FSPS disability annuity. (During the first year, your FSPS disability annuity is computed as 60% of your average salary). After the first year, your disability annuity under FSPS must be reduced by 60 percent of your Social Security disability benefit for any month in which you are entitled to Social Security disability benefits. (During the second and subsequent years, your FSPS disability annuity is computed as 40% of your average salary). When you reach age 62, your FSPS annuity will be recomputed using an amount that essentially represents that annuity you would receive if you had continued working until the day before your 62nd birthday and then retired under non-disability provisions of the FSPS. Your average salary used in the computation at that time is increased by the FSPS cost-of-living adjustments.

If you are denied or awarded Social Security disability benefits at any time after you apply for or begin receiving an FSPS disability annuity, you must notify the U.S. Department of State, Office of Retirement, **IMMEDIATELY**. If you are awarded Social Security disability benefits, you must provide a copy of the award letter, which contains the following information: the effective date of the benefits and the amount of the Social Security disability benefits.

Application for disability retirement under FSPS requires evidence that the applicant has filed an application for Social Security Benefits disability benefits. Payment of an FSPS disability annuity cannot be authorized without this evidence.

4. Have you applied for disability benefits from the Social Security Administration?

Yes No

5. Is the application receipt or award notice attached?

Yes No

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.	Signature
	Date (mm-dd-yyyy)