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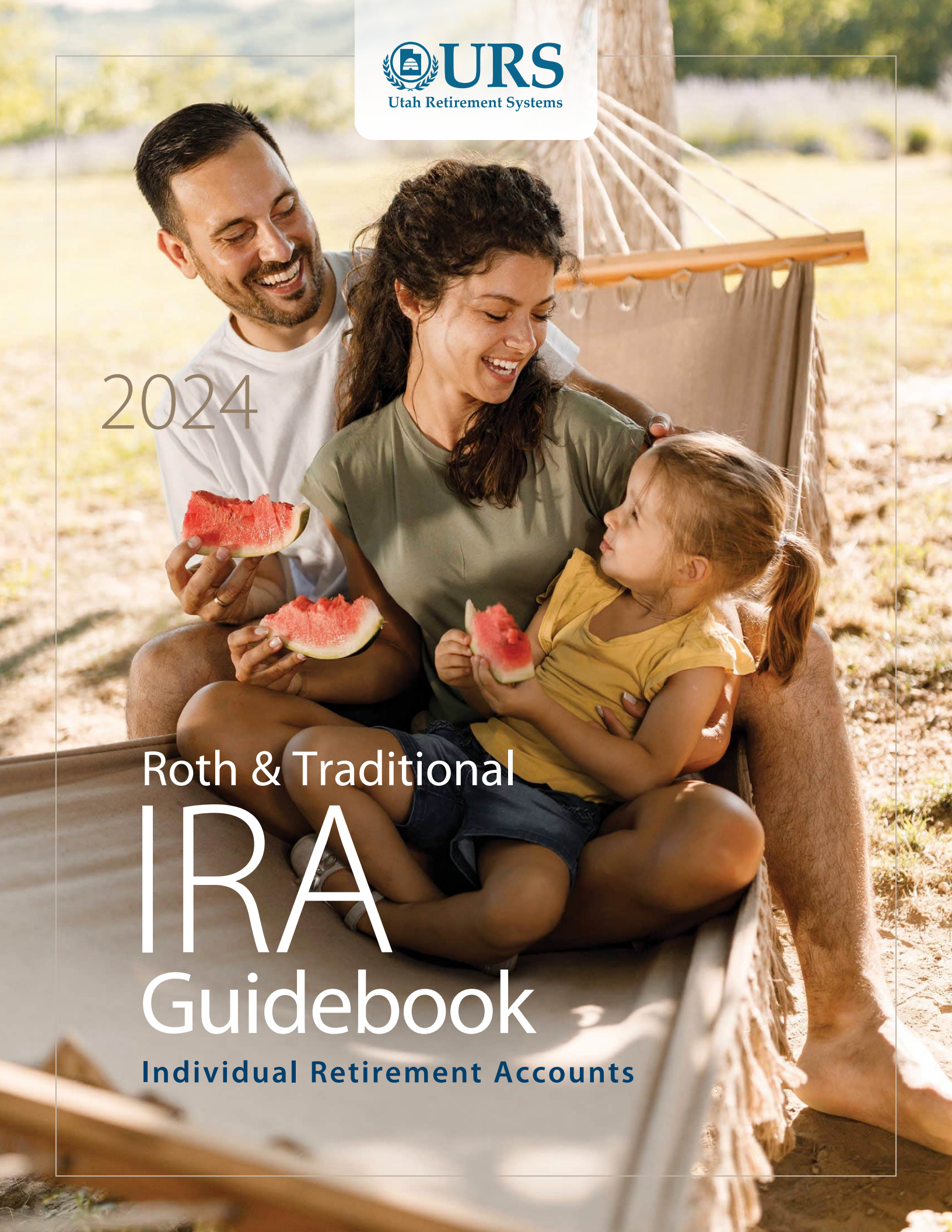

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Roth & Traditional IRA Guidebook

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Individual Retirement Accounts

Utah Retirement Systems (URS) administers a Roth IRA and a Traditional IRA. Individual retirement accounts (IRAs) combined with other retirement plans (e.g., 401(k), 457(b), pension, Social Security, etc.), provide additional options to save for retirement and may assist you in your tax and estate planning.

A Roth IRA allows nondeductible (after-tax) contributions. This gives you the advantage of tax-free withdrawals when certain conditions are met.

A Traditional IRA may allow you to deduct all or part of your contributions for income tax purposes, while deferring any taxes on investment earnings until you start making withdrawals.

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At-a-Glance

	Roth IRA	Traditional IRA
Eligibility	Members of Utah Retirement Systems are eligible to participate. You may contribute as long as you have earned income.	Members of Utah Retirement Systems are eligible to participate. You may contribute as long as you have earned income.
Maximum Annual Contribution (This is the total amount for all IRAs you may have.)	Contribution limits are the same for both the Roth IRA and Traditional IRA. Contributions to all IRAs must be combined toward the total limit. For example, if you contribute $1,000 to a Traditional IRA at your bank and another $1,000 to your URS Traditional IRA (total of $2,000), you may only contribute up to $5,000 to your Roth IRA (for a total of $7,000 in 2024). The maximum annual contribution limit is $7,000 for 2024. For those ages 50 and older an additional "catch-up" contribution of $1,000 may also be made, bringing the total to $8,000 in 2024.	
Contributions are subject to income limits. If you are:	» A single income tax filer with income up to: $146,000 — qualifies for a full contribution $146,000 to $161,000 — qualifies for a partial contribution over $161,000 — cannot contribute » A married/joint income tax filer, with income up to: $230,000 — qualifies for a full contribution $230,000 to $240,000 — qualifies for a partial contribution over $240,000 cannot contribute	No income limits. *See Page 3 for deductibility income limits for active participants.*
Rollover/Transfers	You may roll over or transfer money into a Roth IRA from: » Roth IRA » 457(b) » 403(b) » Roth 401(k) » 401(a) » Qualified Pension (only a lump-sum distribution) » Roth 403(b) » 401(k) *See page 6 for details.*	You may roll over or transfer money into a Traditional IRA from the following: » 401(k) » Traditional IRA » 401(a) » 403(b) » 457(b) » Pension (only a lump-sum distribution)
Convert IRA	You may convert all or part of your Traditional IRA to your Roth IRA. Amounts converted from a Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA are subject to income taxes, but are not subject to the 10% early withdrawal penalty tax. *See Page 7 for more details*.	You may convert all or part of a Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA. Amounts converted from a Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA are subject to income taxes, but are not subject to the 10% early withdrawal penalty tax. *See Page 7 for more details*.
Key Tax Advantage	Federal tax-free growth (earnings may also be free of state income taxes).	Tax-deferred growth.
Tax-Deductible Contributions	Contributions to a Roth IRA are not deductible from your income for tax filing purposes.	The deductibility of contributions is subject to modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) limits and participation in an employer-sponsored retirement plan. (See page 3 for MAGI limits.)
Withdrawal Eligibility	A withdrawal may be made at any time.	A withdrawal may be made at any time.
Tax Treatment of Withdrawals	*Contributions* can be withdrawn, at any time, without taxes or penalties. *Earnings* can be withdrawn without taxes or penalties if you are over age 59½ and you have had a Roth IRA for at least five years.	All earnings and deductible contributions may be subject to income taxes when withdrawn.
10% Early Withdrawal Penalty Tax	If you are under age 59½ you may avoid the penalty tax if your withdrawal is for one of the following reasons*: » Payments up to the amount of your deductible medical expenses (without regard to whether you itemize deductions for the taxable year). » The distributions aren't more than the cost of your medical insurance due to a certain period of unemployment. » You are totally and permanently disabled. » You are receiving distributions in the form of an annuity. » You use the distributions to buy, build, or rebuild a first home. » The distribution is a qualified reservist distribution. » You are the beneficiary of a deceased IRA owner. » The distributions aren't more than your qualified higher education expenses. » The distribution is due to an IRS levy of the qualified plan. » The Distribution is made on or after the date on which you have been certified by a physician as having a terminal illness.	
Required Withdrawals	There are no required (or minimum) distributions while you are living.	Required minimum distributions must begin after you reach age 73 (if you attain age 72 after December, 31, 2022).

** See IRS Publication 590-B for a complete list of exceptions.*

Roth IRA

Benefits of a Roth IRA

Tax-Free Withdrawals

A Roth IRA, unlike a Traditional IRA, allows you to withdraw your earnings ***tax free*** if your account has been established for at least five years **and** you are at least 59½ years old or the withdrawal is for a *first home* purchase (subject to a $10,000 lifetime limit). Because your contributions are from after-tax (nondeductible) money, you can withdraw your contributions at any time without taxes or penalties (with the possible exception of amounts converted or rolled over — see *IRS Publication 590-B* for details about Roth IRA ordering rules).

In addition, earnings and contributions can pass on to your heirs *income tax free*.

Conversion from a Traditional IRA or Employer-Sponsored Plan

One of the great tax planning tools available is a conversion from a Traditional IRA or employer-sponsored plan to a Roth IRA. This allows you to pay income taxes on a Traditional IRA or pre-tax employer-sponsored plan now and convert the money into your Roth IRA. (*See Page 7 for more details.*)

No Required Minimum Distributions During Your Lifetime

The Roth IRA can be a worthwhile estate planning tool, because you are not required to take distributions during your lifetime and it can pass on to your beneficiaries tax free. However, beneficiaries of an inherited Roth IRA may be required to take minimum distributions.

Roth IRA withdrawal if UNDER age 59½

	Account Established for More than 5 Years	Account Established for Less than 5 Years
Your Contributions	All withdrawals are tax and penalty free.	All withdrawals are tax and penalty free.
Your Investment Earnings	Ordinary income tax applies unless a withdrawal is taken for death, disability, or for first-time home purchase. In addition, the 10% penalty tax applies unless it is for an exception.*	Ordinary income tax applies to any earnings. In addition, the 10% penalty tax applies unless it is for an exception.*

Roth IRA withdrawal if OVER age 59½

	Account Established for More than 5 Years	Account Established for Less than 5 Years
Your Contributions	All withdrawals are tax and penalty free.	All withdrawals are tax and penalty free.
Your Investment Earnings	All withdrawals are tax and penalty free.	Ordinary income tax applies to earnings, but there is no penalty tax.

**Exceptions to the 10% penalty tax include withdrawals taken due to death or disability, first-time home purchase ($10,000 lifetime maximum), medical expenses in excess of 7.5% of adjusted gross income, or medical insurance premiums when unemployed. (See IRS Publication 590-B for a complete list of exceptions.)*

Things to Know

» **Penalties**
As with a Traditional IRA, you may be subject to a penalty tax if you contribute more than either 100% of your earned income or the allowable maximum for a year.

» **Tax Deductibility of Contributions**
Contributions to a Roth IRA do not qualify for a tax deduction, regardless of your adjusted gross income.

» **Income Restrictions**
Single income tax filers with modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) of $161,000 or greater are not eligible to contribute. The maximum contribution limit is gradually reduced if your MAGI is over $146,000 and less than $161,000.

Married/filing jointly, taxpayers with a MAGI greater than $240,000 are not eligible to make a Roth IRA contribution. The maximum allowable contribution limit is gradually reduced if your MAGI is between $230,000 and $240,000.

If your MAGI is within the Roth IRA contribution phase-out limits (single filers — $146,000 to $161,000; married/joint filers — $230,000 to $240,000), review the Reduced Roth IRA Contribution Worksheet in *IRS Publication 590-A*, for an example of how to calculate your maximum Roth IRA contribution. The MAGI limits are indexed for inflation each calendar year.

Traditional IRA

Benefits of a Traditional IRA

Tax Deferral of Investment Earnings

Investment earnings compound tax deferred. This allows your IRA to grow faster than if it were subject to annual taxation.

More Flexibility with Tax Withholding

If you withdraw money from your employer-sponsored savings plan (e.g., 401(k), 403(b), 457(b)), IRS rules may require 20% of the amount you withdraw be withheld for federal income taxes. When you withdraw money from an IRA, you can elect to have no taxes withheld.*

**IRS rules require 10% of your Traditional IRA withdrawal amount be withheld unless you choose otherwise.*

Tax-Deductible Contributions

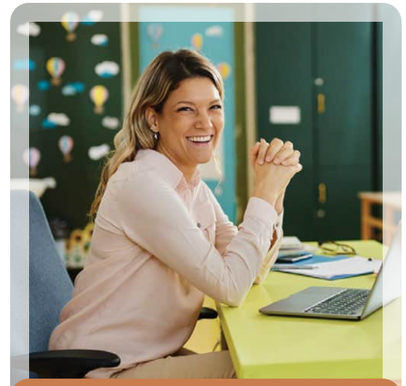
Your contributions are generally tax deductible if you are an active participant in an employer-sponsored plan (e.g., 401(k), 457(b), pension plan) and your MAGI is below a certain threshold. *(See the table to the right.)* For information on calculating your Traditional IRA deductibility, see *IRS Publication 590-A* or consult a tax advisor.

Broad Eligibility to Contribute

If you are ineligible to make tax-deductible contributions, you can still make nondeductible contributions if you have earned income.

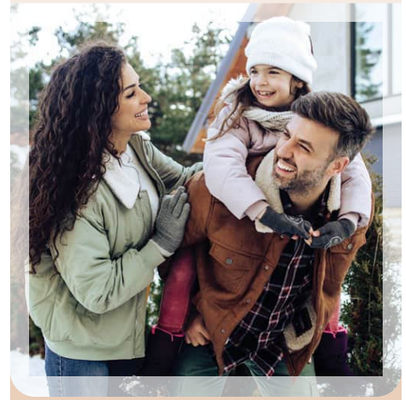
Transfers and Rollovers

When you directly roll over or transfer money into a Traditional IRA, the amount you roll over or transfer is not taxable at the time of the rollover. In addition, there are no limits on the amount you can roll over or transfer to a Traditional IRA.



Income Limits for Traditional IRA Deductibility

	MAGI of Single Filer	
Year	**Fully Deductible Up To**	**Partially Deductible Up To**
2024	**$77,000**	**$87,000**



	MAGI of Joint Filer	
Year	**Fully Deductible Up To**	**Partially Deductible Up To**
2024	**$123,000**	**$143,000**

The MAGI limits are indexed for inflation each calendar year.

These limits assume you are an active participant in an employer-sponsored retirement plan. The income limits are based upon modified adjusted gross income (MAGI), which is used to determine IRA eligibility. For information on calculating your MAGI see IRS Publication 590-A or consult a tax advisor.

Traditional IRAs Continued.

Required Minimum Distribution

Once you reach age 73 (if you attain age 72 after December, 31 2022), the IRS requires you to begin withdrawing money from your Traditional IRA. This withdrawal is known as a required minimum distribution (RMD). If you have multiple Traditional IRAs, you are allowed to withdraw from just one Traditional IRA to satisfy the RMD amount for all others (or you can take some from each).

The RMD amount is determined by taking all Traditional IRA balances at the end of the previous year and dividing that total by a life expectancy factor provided by the U.S. Treasury.

URS allows you to withdraw your RMD at any time during the year. You are able to receive the payments monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. URS can also calculate your new RMD amount each year (for your URS accounts).

Minimum Distribution Example:

Jacob will reach age 73 in calendar year 2024. He has a URS Traditional IRA with a December 31, 2023, value of $9,815. Jacob has another Traditional IRA at his bank with a December 31, 2023, value of $7,410. Jacob's RMD amount is calculated by doing the following:

Add the December 31, 2023, value of Jacob's URS Traditional IRA ($9,815) and his bank Traditional IRA ($7,410)..... $17,225

Divide Line 1 by the U.S. Treasury life expectancy factor (26.5*)..... $650

Jacob must withdraw $650 for his 2024 required minimum distribution.

Because Jacob has more than one Traditional IRA, he can choose to withdraw his total RMD from just one IRA or he may withdraw money from both accounts adding up to the total RMD.

Jacob's first RMD (for the 2024 tax year) may be deferred until as late as April 1, 2025. If he chooses to wait until April 1, he will have to take another RMD payment (for the 2025 tax year) by December 31, 2025.

Things to Know

» **Taxation of Withdrawals**
When you withdraw money from your Traditional IRA, you will pay ordinary income tax on your investment earnings and on any deducted (untaxed) contributions.

» **Penalties**
(including early withdrawal penalties)
You may be subject to a penalty tax if you contribute more than either 100% of your earned income or the allowable maximum for a year.

» **Recordkeeping Requirements****
URS will report to you all contributions, withdrawals, and the year-end account value for your IRA.

Keep in mind, you must maintain personal records tracking all deductible and non-deductible IRA contributions. This type of record-keeping is vital when you begin withdrawing money from your IRA(s).

***The Internal Revenue Service and URS strongly encourage you to keep all records related to your IRA(s).*

***IRS Calculation Table**
Life expectancy factors are found in *IRS Publication 590-B.*

Age	Life Expectancy Factor	Age	Life Expectancy Factor
73	26.5	80	20.2
74	25.5	81	19.4
75	24.6	82	18.5
76	23.7	83	17.7
77	22.9	84	16.8
78	22.0	85	16.0
79	21.1	86	15.2

Roth & Traditional IRA Contribution Limits

IRA Contribution Limits		
Tax Year	**Contribution Limit Under Age 50**	**Contribution Limit Age 50+**
2023	$6,500	$7,500
2024	$7,000	$8,000

Contributions to the IRAs Can be Made in Two Ways:

» ***Payroll Deduction***

If your employer participates, contributions can be made directly from your paycheck. Any amount you choose to contribute to your IRA will be deducted after taxes from each paycheck. Keep in mind the contribution limits to IRAs when you decide how much you want to contribute from each paycheck. There is a tax penalty if you contribute more to an IRA than you are allowed.

» ***One-Time Contributions***

You can make one-time contributions by check or ACH payment from your financial institution.

URS Check Policy

URS accepts personal checks and certified funds (i.e., cashier's checks or money orders) for IRA contributions. We are unable to accept cash. Contributions of $100 or more are accepted. Certified funds will post to your account within three to five business days. If you submit a personal check, payment is not posted to your account for a minimum of five (5) business days. Returned checks, due to insufficient funds, are not posted to an account and URS charges a $20 returned check fee.

URS ACH Policy

URS accepts one-time IRA contributions from your financial institution. You can set-up one-time ACH payments by accessing your myURS account online. Contributions of $100 or more are accepted. Payments will be posted 3-5 days after the funds are received from your financial institution.

IRA Contribution Timing

You can make personal contributions to an IRA any time from January 1 of the current year until the tax filing deadline (generally April 15) of the following year. Any contributions you make for a prior year must be made through a one-time contribution (check or ACH) and cannot be made through payroll deduction. Contributions for a prior year via check should be submitted with a URS IRA Deposit Authorization Form and must be postmarked by the tax filing deadline. For example, you could make an IRA contribution for the 2024 tax year any time from January 1, 2024, until April 15, 2025.

Contributions made through payroll deduction will be applied to the tax year they are received by URS.

IRA Limits Example:

An individual under age 50 with both a Roth and Traditional IRA cannot contribute more than $7,000 combined to both the Roth and Traditional IRAs within a tax year.

Things to Know

» **Limits Apply to All IRAs**
The contribution limits for IRAs apply to all IRAs you may have (including those at a bank or credit union). This limit is the total of all Roth and Traditional IRAs.

» **No Employer Contributions**
All contributions to the URS IRAs must be made by you. Your employer is not allowed to make contributions (except as an after-tax deduction from your wages).

» **All Payroll Deductions are After Tax**
If you choose to make IRA contributions directly from your paycheck, the amount you contribute will be deducted after applicable federal, state, Social Security, and Medicare taxes are withheld.

» **Contributions Will be Reported to You**
URS will report any IRA contributions to both you and the IRS. It is your responsibility to maintain your own tax records.

» **Contributions Can Be Recharacterized**
A contribution recharacterization allows you to treat a contribution made to one type of IRA as having been made to a different type of IRA (e.g., from a Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA or vice versa). A contribution recharacterization can be made up until the tax filing deadline (including extensions) for the year the contribution was made.

Transfers and Rollovers

If you have multiple retirement accounts with different employers and other financial institutions, you may be able to consolidate them into your URS IRA. Depending on the type of account you own, your age and employment status, there are multiple methods to consolidate your accounts.

Direct Transfers

A direct transfer is a transfer of funds from your existing IRA to another IRA of the same type (e.g., Traditional IRA to Traditional IRA or Roth IRA to Roth IRA). A direct transfer occurs when funds from a similar plan are sent directly to URS. Roth and Traditional IRAs that you have at other financial institutions can be directly transferred and consolidated into your URS Roth and Traditional IRAs without tax consequences.

Direct Rollovers

A direct rollover occurs when a distribution from an eligible employer plan (401(a), 401(k), 403(b), 457(b)) is paid directly to your URS IRA. This avoids federal tax withholding and possible early withdrawal penalties because the distribution is made directly to URS.

Traditional IRA

Existing pre-tax employer-sponsored savings plans (e.g., 401(a), 401(k), 403(b), 457(b)) can be consolidated into your URS Traditional IRA through a direct rollover. When you directly roll over into a Traditional IRA, the amount you roll over is not taxable at the time of the rollover. In addition, there are no limits on the amount you can roll over to a Traditional IRA. However, to roll money out of your employer-sponsored savings plan you may be subject to withdrawal eligibility requirements. Check your plan to find out if you are eligible for a rollover.

Roth IRA

Designated Roth accounts (Roth 401(k), Roth 457(b), and Roth 403(b)) can be directly rolled over and consolidated to your URS Roth IRA. When you roll a designated Roth account to a Roth IRA the five-year holding period for qualified distributions is not carried over. Rather, the amount rolled over takes on the five-year holding period of the Roth IRA. For additional information regarding the five-year holding period for designated Roth accounts see *IRS Publication 4530*.

Rollover/Transfer Guideline

From...	to Traditional IRA	to Roth IRA
Traditional IRA	✓	✓*
401(k)	✓	✓*
403(b)	✓	✓*
457(b)	✓	✓*
401(a) Pension	✓	✓*
Roth IRA		✓
Roth 401(k)		✓
Roth 403(b)		✓
Roth 457(b)		✓

*May be taxable.

60-Day (Indirect) Rollovers**

A 60-day, or indirect, rollover differs from a direct rollover or direct transfer in that the funds are sent to you (the member) and not directly to the new plan (URS), then you subsequently deposit the funds to your IRA within 60 days. These distributions may be subject to mandatory federal tax withholding. Any portion of the distribution that is not rolled over, including any taxes that are withheld and not replaced, is treated as a taxable withdrawal and may be subject to an additional 10% early withdrawal penalty tax. You may replace any amount that was withheld in order to rollover the entire distribution.

***You can make only one indirect rollover from an IRA to another (or the same) IRA in any 12-month period, regardless of the number of IRAs that you own. For additional information see IRS Announcement 2015-16 and IRS Announcement 2014-32.*

URS Roth & Traditional IRAs

Conversions

A Traditional IRA or pre-tax employer-sponsored plan (e.g., 401(a), 401(k), 403(b), 457(b)) may be converted to a Roth IRA. Converting your Traditional IRA or pre-tax employer-sponsored plan to a Roth IRA is taxable and should only be done after careful consideration of the tax consequences.

Traditional IRA

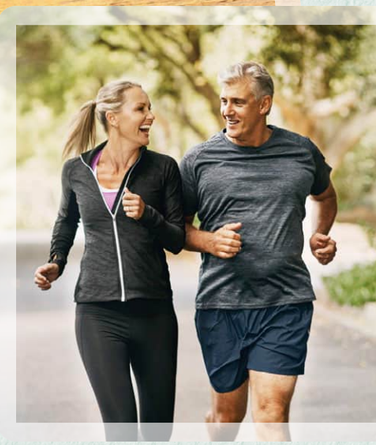
Traditional IRA to Roth IRA conversions are taxable as income. When converting your Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA, you must pay taxes on any Traditional IRA contributions you had previously deducted from your taxes and on any investment earnings.

Employer-Sponsored Plan

Pre-tax employer-sponsored plans converted to a Roth IRA are taxable as income. The entire amount of the pre-tax converted amount is taxable (contributions and earnings). You must be eligible for a distribution from your employer-sponsored plan to do a conversion to a Roth IRA.

Tax Considerations

- If you convert a large balance from your Traditional IRA or pre-tax employer plan, the taxes may be substantial!
- While converted amounts are considered taxable, there is no 10% early withdrawal penalty tax. Conversions may be subject to a 5-year holding period to avoid the penalty. See *IRS Publication 590-B* for details.
- Conversions must be done before year end. It is important that URS receives your request by December 15, to ensure completion of the process by December 31 of that same tax year.
- Conversions must be reported to the IRS. For tax-filing purposes, you will receive an *IRS Form 1099-R* and an *IRS Form 5498* when a conversion takes place. You must report any amount converted on your federal income tax return.
- **Consult a Tax Professional** — The rules and tax implications of converting any amount from a Traditional IRA or pre-tax employer-sponsored plan to a Roth IRA are very complex. URS suggests you consult a tax professional to find out if a conversion is right for you.



Things to Know

- **No Limit on the Number of Conversions**
  There is no limit to the number of conversions that can be made in one year. Keep in mind that the total amount of any conversions will need to be reported for federal income tax purposes.
- **Conversions Cannot Be Reversed**
  For tax years 2018 and later, the IRS no longer allows conversions to be reversed (recharacterized). Because you cannot recharacterize a conversion, it is important to carefully consider the tax consequences before you make a conversion. Consult a tax advisor if you are considering a conversion to a Roth IRA.

Investing
Your Funds

Investment options, the low expense structure, and trading rules for URS Roth and Traditional IRAs are identical to those of the URS 401(k) and 457(b) Plans.

URS offers 20 core investment options (eight individual investment options and 12 Target Date Funds) and a self-directed brokerage account (Personal Choice Retirement Account (PCRA) offered through Charles Schwab). The following is a description of the investment options:

» **Income Fund** is a stable value fund, the most conservative of the investment options.

» **Bond Fund** invests in fixed income securities, such as corporate and government bonds.

» **Balanced Fund** invests in approximately 60% stocks, 40% bonds.

» **Large Cap Stock Value Fund** invests in stocks that appear undervalued, with a favorable future outlook.

» **Large Cap Stock Index Fund** invests in stocks included in the Russell 1000 Index.*

» **Large Cap Stock Growth Fund** emphasizes capital appreciation and seeks to identify companies with future relative earnings strength at a reasonable valuation.

» **International Fund** tracks the performance of the MSCI All Country World Index – ex. U.S. – Investible Market Index (ACWI ex. U.S. IMI) as closely as possible. The index is designed as a measure of the global stock market performance of developed and emerging markets that excludes the United States.

» **Small Cap Stock Fund** invests in stocks of companies whose market capitalization falls primarily within the smallest 10% of the U.S. market universe.

» **Target Date Funds** provide a diversified retirement portfolio through a single investment option. These funds gradually adjust throughout your career and into retirement. The investment mix — which includes stocks, bonds, and real assets — gradually and automatically shifts toward more conservative investments as you age and enter retirement.

Consider the Target Date Fund with the date closest to when you will start withdrawing funds for retirement. For example: if you're a younger employee and you plan to leave the workforce and begin withdrawals around the year 2055, consider the Target Date 2055 Fund. If you're further along in your career and will begin utilizing your account close to the year 2030, consider the Target Date 2030 Fund.

Fact sheets and current information regarding rates of return, fees, and asset allocations can be found at www.urs.org.

Default Investment Option:

If you do not select an investment option your funds will be placed in the Target Date Fund that corresponds to your date of birth, as shown in the chart to the above right.

» **PCRA** – URS offers the Schwab Personal Choice Retirement Account® (PCRA) – a self-directed brokerage account available through Utah Retirement Systems Savings Plans. If you're an experienced investor and looking for specific investments, the PCRA is a brokerage account with Charles Schwab & Co. that offers access to thousands of different types of investments. This option is generally not advised for new accounts as it has minimum account balance requirements and additional risks.

Invest in:

» More than 8,500 mutual funds from over 630 well-known fund families.

» Any stock listed on the major U.S. exchanges, including over-the-counter stocks, and foreign securities.

» Bonds and other fixed income investments.

» Money market and brokered CDs.

» Exchange traded funds (ETFs).

For additional information regarding PCRA enrollment, requirements, and costs, please see the Personal Choice Retirement Account (PCRA) brochure and the Charles Schwab Pricing Guide for Retirement Plan Accounts at www.urs.org located in the Publications section or contact the Savings Plans Department for a copy.

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Target Date Funds Asset Allocations

Asset Classes	Target Date 2065	Target Date 2060	Target Date 2055	Target Date 2050	Target Date 2045	Target Date 2040	Target Date 2035	Target Date 2030	Target Date 2025	Target Date 2020	Target Date 2015	Target Date Retired
URS Large Cap Stock Index	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	39.0%	36.0%	34.0%	31.0%	26.0%	24.0%	21.0%	20.0%
URS International	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	33.0%	29.0%	22.0%	16.0%	11.0%	7.0%	6.0%	6.0%
URS Small Cap Stock	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	9.0%	8.0%	6.0%	5.0%	3.0%	2.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Private Real Estate	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	7.0%	9.0%	10.0%	10.0%	8.0%	6.0%	4.0%	4.0%
URS Income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.0%	8.0%	10.0%	11.0%	11.0%
URS Bond	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	7.0%	11.0%	16.0%	19.0%	24.0%	28.0%	31.0%	31.0%
International Bonds	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	5.0%	7.0%	10.0%	11.0%	13.0%	14.0%	15.0%	16.0%
Global Inflation-Linked Bonds	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.0%	4.0%	7.0%	9.0%	11.0%	11.0%

Target Date Funds

Fund	Date of Birthday From	Date of Birthday To
Target Date 2065	July 1, 1998	
Target Date 2060	July 1, 1993	June 30, 1998
Target Date 2055	July 1, 1988	June 30, 1993
Target Date 2050	July 1, 1983	June 30, 1988
Target Date 2045	July 1, 1978	June 30, 1983
Target Date 2040	July 1, 1973	June 30, 1978
Target Date 2035	July 1, 1968	June 30, 1973
Target Date 2030	July 1, 1963	June 30, 1968
Target Date 2025	July 1, 1958	June 30, 1963
Target Date 2020	July 1, 1953	June 30, 1958
Target Date 2015	July 1, 1948	June 30, 1953
Target Retired		June 30, 1948

Investment and Administrative Fees*

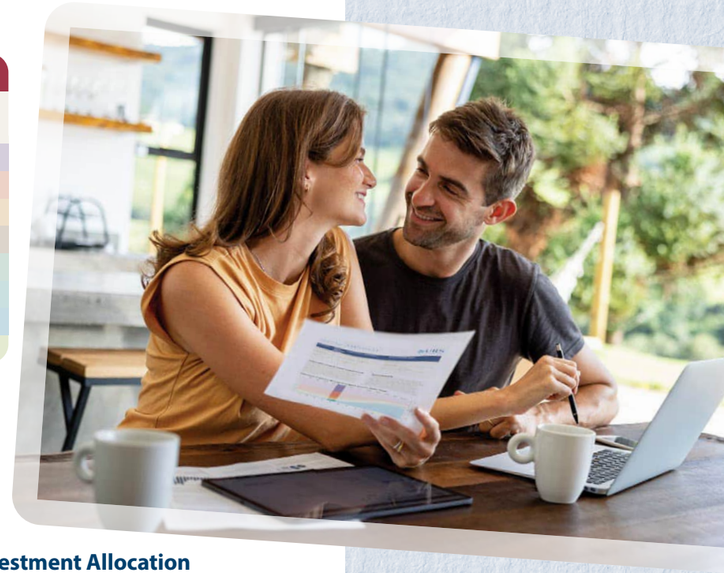
Fund	Annual Investment Fees	Annual Administrative Fees	Annual Fees Total
Income Fund	0.20%	0.10%	0.30%
Bond Fund	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%
Balanced Fund	0.24%	0.10%	0.34%
Large Cap Value Fund	0.41%	0.10%	0.51%
Large Cap Index Fund	0.02%	0.10%	0.12%
Large Cap Growth Fund	0.24%	0.10%	0.34%
International Fund	0.05%	0.10%	0.15%
Small Cap Stock Fund	0.27%	0.10%	0.37%
Target Date 2065	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%
Target Date 2060	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%
Target Date 2055	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%
Target Date 2050	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%
Target Date 2045	0.11%	0.10%	0.21%
Target Date 2040	0.13%	0.10%	0.23%
Target Date 2035	0.14%	0.10%	0.24%
Target Date 2030	0.15%	0.10%	0.25%
Target Date 2025	0.15%	0.10%	0.25%
Target Date 2020	0.14%	0.10%	0.24%
Target Date 2015	0.13%	0.10%	0.23%
Target Date Retired	0.13%	0.10%	0.23%
Tier 2 Nonvested	0.14%	0.10%	0.24%

Investment and administrative fees are subject to change. Please visit www.urs.org or contact URS directly for an up-to-date fee schedule.

Fees Example:

Let's assume you had $1,000 in the Large Cap Stock Index Fund on January 1, 2024, and left it until January 1, 2025. Let's also assume there was no change in the stock market during that period. The fees for investing and administering this fund would be $1.20.

URS Roth & Traditional IRAs



Investment Allocation and Fund Transfers

When enrolling in the savings plans, you should select an investment allocation for future deposits. This allocation will direct URS how to invest your money each time a new deposit is added to your account (whether through contributions or rollovers). If you do not submit an investment allocation for future deposits, URS will deposit your funds in the Target Date Fund that corresponds to your birthdate. You may change this allocation at any time on the URS website through myURS or by submitting an IRA Contribution and Investment Change Agreement.

You may also transfer the funds within your account among the 20 investment options. However, transfers among investment options are allowed no more frequently than once every seven calendar days.

Investment and Administrative Expenses

Investment fees are charged by the fund managers to cover the costs of investing your money. Administrative fees cover the costs of maintaining a retirement plan, such as customer service, statements, and recordkeeping. Both fees are charged as a fraction of a percent of assets under management and are calculated in each fund's daily unit value. Therefore, balances in your account and all rates of return are shown after these fees have been deducted.

Things to Know

» Risk vs. Return

No investment is without risk. Generally, stocks are more risky than bonds. Stocks also have potential for higher returns than bonds. Cash investments are typically safer than either bonds or stocks.

» Diversify Your Account

A portfolio is the total of all your investments. Diversifying your investments allows you to not "put all your eggs in one basket." How you diversify your investments depends on how much risk you are able to bear and how much time you have until the money is needed.

» Dollar Cost Averaging

Investing a predetermined amount on a regular basis is called dollar cost averaging. Dollar cost averaging can help reduce risk by averaging out the ups and downs of volatile investments.

Dollar cost averaging assures you will automatically buy more shares when the price is low and fewer shares when the price is high.

Investing Your Funds Continued.

Short-Term Trading Fees

Because of costs generated by frequent trading and the potential impact on other participants' accounts, it is necessary to impose a short-term trading fee. Individuals who transfer any or all of their current accounts among individual investment options more often than once every 30 days are charged 2% of the amount transferred for each additional trade. Each transfer starts a new 30-day period. Also, each savings plan is treated individually. For example, fund transfers in your IRA do not affect your ability to transfer funds in your 401(k) or 457(b) plans.

Inactive Account Maintenance Fee

Because fees generated from small inactive accounts generally do not cover the costs of account maintenance, an annual fee of $15 is assessed. Small inactive accounts are those where the account owner is no longer employed by a participating organization, there have been no deposits or withdrawals during the prior 12 months, and assets in all URS Savings Plans are less than $5,000.

Additional Information Regarding Transfers

Transfer requests received at URS before the close of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), generally 2:00 p.m. Mountain Time, are transferred using that evening's closing market values. Transfer requests received after the close of the NYSE are transferred using the next business day's closing market values. On days of unusually heavy transfer activity, computer system failure or other unforeseen circumstances, URS reserves the right to process transfers using the next available business day's closing market values.

Other Things to Consider

Determining whether to invest in a Roth IRA, Traditional IRA, 401(k) or 457(b) plan depends on several factors.

Flexibility of Withdrawals

You may withdraw money from an IRA at any time. Unlike a 401(k), or 457(b) plan, money from an IRA can be withdrawn while you are still employed, regardless of your age.

However, you may still be able to access your 401(k) and 457(b) funds if you find yourself in a financial hardship or emergency. In addition to hardship withdrawals, the 401(k) and 457(b) plans offer a low-interest loan option. The interest you pay on these loans is contributed back into your respective plan.

Penalty-Free Withdrawals

If you are under age 59½, IRA withdrawals may not be subject to a 10% early withdrawal penalty tax if used for these reasons:

- Expenses to buy, build, or rebuild a first home ($10,000 lifetime maximum)
- Qualified higher education expenses
- Certain unreimbursed medical expenses
- Disability
- Health insurance premiums when unemployed
- Periodic payments based on your life expectancy
- Payments to beneficiaries after your death
- See *IRS Publication 590-B* for a complete list of exceptions.

The 457(b) plan is not subject to the 10% early withdrawal penalty tax. You may also avoid this tax in the 401(k) for payments made after you separate from service if you have attained at least age 55 in the year of the separation (or attainment of age 50 or 25 years of service under the plan for qualified public safety employees).

Qualified Reservist Distribution

If you are a qualified reservist on active duty, who takes or has taken a withdrawal after September 11, 2001, of all or part of your Traditional IRA, you will not have to pay the additional 10% tax on a payment that is eligible for roll over and paid to you. You are a qualified reservist if you are a reservist or national guardsman ordered or called to duty after September 11, 2001, for a period in excess of 179 days or for an indefinite period. You may repay a qualified reservist distribution to an IRA at any time during the two-year period after the end of active duty.

Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs)

A QCD is a non-taxable distribution of funds from your URS IRA directly to an organization eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions (a qualifying 501(c)(3) charitable organization or as a one-time election to a qualifying split-interest entity). To qualify, you must be age 70½ or older at the time of distribution, and the funds must be transferred directly by the IRA trustee (URS) to the eligible organization. There is an annual limit for QCDs to a qualifying 501(c)(3) charitable organization and a lifetime aggregate limit for QCDs to a split-interest entity(ies). For information regarding dollar limits and eligibility of charitable organizations and split-interest entities, consult a tax advisor. URS does not give tax or legal advice.

Distributions from employer-sponsored retirement plans, such as the URS 401(k) and 457(b) Plans are not eligible for QCDs.

QCDs are limited to the amount that would otherwise be taxed as ordinary income. This excludes nondeductible contributions from your Traditional IRA and tax-free amounts from a Roth IRA. Your eligible QCD amount is reduced by any deductible Traditional IRA contributions you have made for tax years after attaining age 70½ (to the extent the deductible contributions have not been excluded before).

QCDs may count toward your annual IRA Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for the year distributed. For a QCD to qualify as your annual RMD, the funds must be distributed by your RMD deadline (generally December 31st).

If your IRA includes nondeductible contributions, the distribution is first considered to be taken out of otherwise taxable income.

If you are considering a QCD, consult a tax advisor and *IRS Publication 590-B*.

Deferred Contributions vs. Tax-Free Withdrawals

Contributions to 401(k) and 457(b) plans, in addition to deductible contributions to a Traditional IRA, help reduce the amount of tax you pay now, but are taxable when the money is withdrawn.

Contributions to a Roth IRA do not reduce your taxes currently, but may be tax free when you withdraw money in retirement.

You need to determine whether tax deferral is more beneficial to you today, or if the advantages of tax-free withdrawals from a Roth IRA will be more valuable.

How much are you paying in federal and state income taxes?

If you expect your tax rate to be lower after you retire than while you are working, a 401(k) or 457(b) plan may be more beneficial than a Roth IRA.

How are you planning to use the money?

Keep in mind, IRAs and other savings plans sponsored by your employer are designed for use in retirement. However, you may need to use some of the money for other purposes. If you wish to help pay for college tuition or for the purchase of a first home, an IRA may be more beneficial to you.

When do you plan to withdraw your savings?

You are required to begin withdrawals from your 401(k), 457(b), and/or a Traditional IRA once you reach age 73 (if you attain age 72 after December, 31 2022). Withdrawals from a Roth IRA are never required while you are living.

Do you wish to pass on money to your heirs?

- Retirement savings are often passed from parents to children as an inheritance.
- Pre-tax money from 401(k), 403(b), 457(b) plans, and Traditional IRAs is taxable to your heirs.
- Money from a Roth IRA may be tax free to your heirs.

URS Savings Plans Comparison

	Lower tax bill now!		*Tax-deferred growth!*	*Tax-free growth!*
	401(k) **Tax deferred** Pay income tax when withdrawn	**457(b)** **Tax deferred** Pay income tax when withdrawn	**Traditional IRA** **May be tax deductible** Pay income tax when withdrawn	**Roth IRA** **After tax deposits** Tax-free withdrawals***
Deposits Eligibility	401(k) subject to employer participation and employment status	457(b) subject to employer participation and employment status	IRA deductibility subject to earned income and other limitations; *see IRA Guidebook*	Roth subject to earned income and other limitations; *see IRA Guidebook*
Payroll Deduction *(if allowed by employer)*	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rollovers/ Transfers	✓	✓	✓	✓
Personal Deposits			✓	✓
Withdrawals *(Vested balances only)*	» Separation from service » Age 59½ if still employed » Hardship » Qualified birth or adoption	» Separation from service » Age 59½ if still employed » Emergency » Qualified birth or adoption	» Any time	» Any time
Early Withdrawal Penalty Tax	Yes – 10% early withdrawal penalty tax if withdrawn before age 59½	No penalty tax	Yes – if withdrawn before age 59½	Contributions: No Earnings: Yes – if withdrawn before age 59½***
Exceptions: *(For additional exceptions see IRS Publication 575 and IRS Publication 590-B)*	» You work into the calendar year you turn age 55 (age 50 if you separate from service as a qualified public safety employee) » Payout based on life expectancy » Disability		» First home » Higher education » Payout based on life expectancy » Disability	» First home » Higher education » Payout based on life expectancy » Disability
Annual Contribution Limits 2024	$23,000*	$23,000†*	$7,000**	$7,000**
With Age 50+ Catch-Up Provision 2024	$30,500*	$30,500*	$8,000**	$8,000**
Loan Provision	Yes *(Limitations apply to Tier 2 employer required contributions)*	Yes	No	No
Special 457(b) Catch-Up Provision	†The three years prior to the year you qualify to retire, your limit on 457(b) contributions is double the standard limit (depending on past contributions). This is called the special catch-up. *Note: You cannot use the 457(b) age 50+ catch-up the same year as the special catch-up.*			

*The 401(k) and 457(b) annual contribution limits are applied separately. You can contribute up to the maximum into each plan.

**The IRA annual contribution limit represents the amount you can contribute, in total, across all of your Roth and Traditional IRAs, including those that you hold with other financial institutions.

***Roth contributions can be withdrawn, at any time, without taxes. Earnings can be withdrawn without taxes if you are over age 59½ and you have had a Roth IRA for at least five years.

Glossary of Investment and Financial Terms

5-Year Holding Rule
A member must have had a Roth IRA open for at least 5 years to qualify for tax-free distributions of earnings.

401(k) Plan
A savings plan in which employees may elect to contribute pre-tax dollars to a tax-deferred retirement plan.

403(b) Plan
A savings plan that permits employees of qualifying education or non-profit organizations to contribute pre-tax dollars to a tax-deferred retirement plan.

457(b) Plan
A savings plan whereby governmental employees may elect to contribute pre-tax dollars to a tax-advantaged deferred compensation plan. (The URS 457(b) is a governmental 457(b) deferred compensation plan regulated by Section 457(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, and authorized under Title 49 of the Utah Code.)

1099-R Tax Form
An IRS tax form that reports the amount of any distribution to the owner of an IRA or eligible retirement plan.

5498 Tax Form
An IRS tax form that reports any IRA contributions, rollovers, conversions, and recharacterizations made by an IRA owner. The fair market value of the IRA is also reported on *IRS Form 5498*.

Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)
Adjusted gross income is determined by adding all sources of income such as wages and interest income and subtracting certain deductions and adjustments to your income.

Asset Allocation
Separating investment funds among different asset types such as: cash or cash equivalents, bonds, stocks, real assets, etc.

Beneficiary
A person or entity receiving the proceeds of an eligible savings plan or IRA when the owner of the plan dies.

Beneficiary, Naming Your Spouse As
URS Savings Plans accepts information regarding your spouse (the person you are legally married to) as correct, and will not do an independent verification of your marital status. Providing incorrect information regarding your marital status may lead to tax consequences that are solely your responsibility. For additional information regarding the definition of marriage for federal tax purposes see U.S. Department of the Treasury Revenue Ruling 2013-17.

A divorce or annulment revokes the designation of a former spouse as a beneficiary. In order to redesignate a former spouse, the designation must be submitted after the date of divorce.

Bond
An interest-bearing security whereby the issuer agrees to pay the bondholder a specified sum of money, usually at specific intervals, and to repay the principal amount at maturity. This is a form of an IOU.

Cash or Cash Equivalent
Investments of such high liquidity and safety that they are similar to cash.

Catch-Up (Age 50)
An additional contribution allowed for individuals age 50 and over.

Compensation
Compensation typically includes salary, bonuses, overtime, vacation pay, and self-employment income. Compensation DOES NOT include rental, investment and interest income, pension, annuity, or Social Security income, disability payments, and deferred or unemployment compensation.

Contribution
A deposit into an IRA for a particular tax year.

Conversion
Funds withdrawn from a Traditional IRA and deposited into a Roth IRA. A conversion is a taxable transaction.

Deductible Contribution
Contributions to a Traditional IRA may be fully or partially deductible from your income when filing your federal income taxes. Contributions to a Roth IRA are NOT tax-deductible.

Deemed IRA
A Traditional or Roth IRA maintained under an eligible employer plan that accepts voluntary employee contributions.

Direct Rollover
A direct rollover allows you to move a distribution from an eligible plan into another eligible plan, avoiding federal tax withholding and early withdrawal penalties because the distribution is made directly to the other institution.

Direct Transfer
A direct transfer is a transfer of funds between similar plans (e.g., 401(k) to 401(k), or Roth IRA to Roth IRA).

Disability
A taxpayer is considered disabled when he or she is no longer able to engage in any substantial gainful activity and the disability's duration is expected to be indefinite and/or result in death.

Disclosure Statement
The disclosure statement explains the rules that govern an IRA.

Distributions
Any withdrawal from your eligible savings plan or IRA.

Diversification
A spreading of risk by putting assets in several categories of investments — stocks, bonds, cash, real assets, etc.

Excess Accumulation
An insufficient withdrawal from a 401(k), 403(b), 457(b) or Traditional IRA for an individual who is subject to the required minimum distribution (RMD) rule. A 25% (10% if corrected during the correction window) excise tax may be imposed on RMD amounts not withdrawn.

Excess Contribution
The amount of an IRA contribution that exceeds the allowable limits. If an excess contribution is not corrected, a 6% IRS penalty applies until the excess contribution is corrected.

Fair Market Value
The value of an account as of a certain date, based on the current value of the underlying assets.

First-Time Homebuyer Tax Penalty Exception
Generally, you are a first-time homebuyer if you had no present interest in a main home during the 2-year period ending on the date of acquisition of the home with which the distribution is being used to buy, build, or rebuild. If you are married, your spouse must also meet this no-ownership requirement.

Health Insurance Premiums for the Unemployed
A taxpayer who has been receiving unemployment compensation for 12 consecutive weeks is eligible to take a distribution to pay for health insurance premiums for the IRA owner, owner's spouse, and any dependents. This exception will result in no 10% early withdrawal penalty tax.

Indirect (60-Day) Rollover
A withdrawal from a retirement account that is rolled over to an eligible plan or IRA within 60 days. An indirect rollover differs from a direct rollover or direct transfer in that the money is sent to the participant and not directly to the new plan. You can make only one indirect rollover from an IRA to another (or the same) IRA in any 12-month period, regardless of the number of IRAs that you own. For additional information see *IRS Announcement 2014-15* and *IRS Announcement 2014-32*.

Life Expectancy Factor
An actuarial life expectancy based on your age that is used by the IRS to determine your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD).

Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI)
Your MAGI is determined by taking your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) and "adding back" certain deductions. These are items which can be subtracted from your AGI, but must be included in the calculation of your MAGI. For a full list of these deductions, see *IRS Publication 590-A*.

Mutual Fund
An investment allowing investors to pool money for investments in stocks, bonds, and other securities. Diversification and professional investment management are among a mutual fund's benefits.

Nondeductible Contribution
A contribution made to a Traditional IRA that cannot be deducted from an individual's federal income taxes. If a nondeductible contribution is made, the taxpayer must file *IRS Form 8606*.

Ordering Rules
The order in which Roth IRA assets are deemed to be withdrawn. The first assets withdrawn are considered to be a return of contributions made. After contributions are withdrawn, further withdrawals are amounts that have been converted from a Traditional IRA or pre-tax employer plan. Finally, the earnings are considered withdrawn. See *IRS Publication 590-B* for a full description.

Penalty-Free Withdrawal
A withdrawal exempt from the 10% early withdrawal penalty tax. Exemptions include: age 59½, purchase of a first home, qualified education expenses, qualifying medical expenses, health insurance premiums when unemployed, payments paid over the owner's life expectancy, disability, or payments to a beneficiary. For a complete list of exceptions, see *IRS Publication 590-B*.

Pension Plan
A retirement plan organized to receive contributions and pay a lifetime monthly benefit when the participant retires.

Portfolio
The total investment holdings of an individual or the total investment holdings of a mutual fund.

Premature Distribution
Distributions taken from a Traditional or Roth IRA before the account owner is age 59½. Premature distributions are usually subject to a 10% early withdrawal penalty tax, unless an exception applies.

Prior-Year Contribution
A contribution made to a Roth or Traditional IRA for the prior tax year. Contributions for a prior-year may be made between January 1st and the tax filing deadline (generally April 15th).

Qualified Distribution
A distribution from your Roth IRA that meets the following requirements:

1. It is made after the 5-year period beginning with the first taxable year for which a contribution was made to a Roth IRA set up for your benefit, and
2. The payment or distribution is:
   a. Made after the date you attain age 59½;
   b. Made because you are disabled;
   c. Made to a beneficiary or to your estate after your death; or
   d. To pay the expenses of a first-time home purchase up to a lifetime limit of $10,000.

Qualified Higher Education Expenses
Expenses such as tuition, fees, books, and supplies at an eligible higher education institution. These expenses include those of the IRA owner, spouse, children, or grandchildren. These expenses are exempt from the 10% early withdrawal penalty tax.

Qualifying Medical Expenses
Distributions from an IRA to pay unreimbursed medical expenses that exceed 7.5% of adjusted gross income are exempt from the 10% early withdrawal penalty tax.

Rebalancing
The process of restoring a portfolio to its target mix by periodically buying or selling some of each investment option. The Balanced Fund and the Target Date Funds are automatically rebalanced quarterly, when target ranges are exceeded.

Recharacterization
A choice to treat a contribution made to one type of IRA as having been made to a different type of IRA (e.g., from a Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA or vice versa).

Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)
After a Traditional IRA holder reaches age 73 (if they attain age 72 after December, 31 2022). or a 401(k), 403(b), 457(b) plan participant reaches age 73 (if they attain age 72 after December, 31 2022) and terminates employment, a minimum amount must be withdrawn every year.

Rollover IRA
A Traditional IRA that receives assets from another eligible plan.

Roth 401(k) or 457(b) (Designated Roth)
A savings plan in which employees may elect to contribute after-tax dollars to an employer-sponsored retirement plan. Contributions and earnings may be withdrawn tax free provided certain conditions are met. URS does not currently offer a Roth 401(k) or Roth 457(b).

Roth IRA
A tax-deferred retirement account that allows annual nondeductible contributions. Qualified distributions from a Roth IRA may be tax free.

Stock
A security that represents an ownership share in a corporation.

Tax Deferral
Postponing payment of income taxes on retirement contributions and any subsequent earnings until the money is withdrawn.

Tax Withholding
An IRS mandated or member elected tax withheld from the gross proceeds of a withdrawal from an eligible savings plan or IRA. The withholding rate varies according to the participant and the type of distribution.

Traditional IRA
A tax-deferred retirement account that allows voluntary contributions, and may be deductible on an individual's income taxes. Withdrawals from a Traditional IRA are partially or fully taxable when withdrawn.

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