

HOOSIER S.T.A.R.T.®

The Roth 457 Option

Your 457 Plan¹ accepts Roth 457 contributions, giving you the flexibility to designate all or a portion of your 457 elective deferrals as Roth contributions.

How are Roth 457 contributions different from before-tax 457 contributions?

Roth contributions are made with after-tax dollars, as opposed to the before-tax dollars you traditionally have contributed to a 457. In other words, with the Roth option, you've already paid taxes on the money you contribute. With before-tax 457 deferrals, you pay taxes when you take a distribution.

At-A-Glance Comparison

Before-Tax 457

Roth After-Tax 457

Is my contribution taxable in the year I make it?	No	Yes
Is my contribution taxed when distributed?	Yes ²	No
Are the earnings on mycontributions taxed when distributed?	$ m Yes^2$	No, provided the distribution occurs after age 59½, death or disability and no earlier than five years after your first Roth 457 contribution
If I change jobs, can I roll over my account?	Yes, to a qualified plan, traditional IRA, 403(b) plan or governmental 457(b) plan if the plan allows it	Yes, to a Roth IRA, governmental 457(b) plan, 401(k) Plan or 403(b) plan if the plan has a designated Roth account and accepts rollovers
What is the maximum amount I can contribute?	Combined limit for contributions in 2011: \$16,500 or \$22,000, including the additional \$5,500 Age 50+ Catch-Up contribution. Up to \$33,000 in three calendar years of Special 457 Catch-up, if eligible. ³	
If I experience a unforseeable emergency can I make a withdrawal?	Yes, if your Plan allows unforseeable emergency withdrawals	Yes, if your Plan allows unforseeable emergency withdrawals
Do I have to take a minimum distribution at age 70½?	Yes	Yes

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¹ All references to 457 Plan mean governmental 457(b) Plan.

² Withdrawals are subject to ordinary income tax. A 10% early withdrawal penalty may apply to withdrawals made prior to age 59% to funds rolled over to a governmental 457(b) plan

³ Age 50+ catch-up and special 457 catch-up may not used in the same calendar year.

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