

MERS POLICY

MEMBERS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR MPERS or FRS

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If an employee hired by a municipality's police or fire department is not eligible to be a member of Firefighters' Retirement System (FRS) or Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System (MPERS) due to age or their position classification, that employee has the option to enter the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of LA (MERS) if their employer participates in MERS.

The employee should exercise the option of joining MERS at their date of hire through the submission of an enrollment form. The decision is irrevocable.

Within 30 days of the employee's hire date, MERS should obtain a letter from FRS or MPERS, as appropriate, stating the employee is ineligible for membership in that system.