

## Information for employers: Tax Status of Contributions

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As per § 3 no. 63 EStG (German Income Tax Act) up to 8% of the relevant contribution assessment ceiling (west) in the statutory pension insurance scheme (BBG) can be paid into PKDW without incurring tax. For 2019, this amounts to EUR 6,432, which equates to EUR 536 per month.

Contributions up to 4% of BBG (EUR 3,216) are also exempt of social security contributions.

If the pension commitment was issued on 1 January 2005 then the employee can alternatively pay a taxable allowance of EUR 1,752 into the occupational pension, i.e. with 20% (church tax and solidarity supplement) as per § 40b EStG, if at least a contribution as per § 40b EStG has been taxed legally before 1 January 2018. The contributions made as per § 40b EStG are credited in this case to the maximum tax incentive as per § 3 no. 63 EStG.

Payment of contributions that exceed the limits set out in § 3 no. 63 EStG can only be made from individually taxed income.

If the yearly contribution exceeds 8% of the BBG (in 2019: EUR 6,432), a special payment request must be made. If the member included occupational disability cover in their insurance, a current health check may be carried out.

The payments (pension and (partial) lump-sum payment) made from tax-free contributions are taxable and subject to contributions in the statutory health insurance if you are compulsorily insured there.

Payments from lump-sum and individually-taxed contributions to the pension scheme will only be taxed according the share of income on the payment of the pension. Further information can be found on our [leaflet »Your retirement pension - taxes and social contributions«](#), which can be obtained on the Internet in the area [»Für Rentner – Infos/Formulare«](#).

Please report contributions paid by using ur electronic premium report file (Beitragsmeldedatei), available on our website in the area [»Für Unternehmen – Infos/Formulare«](#)). You can also find out here which type to report premiums under.

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