

## SPECIAL DEATH BENEFIT

(9) Upon the receipt of proper proofs of the death of a member in service arising out of or in the course of the actual performance of duty, without wilful negligence on his part, and upon the finding and certification by the Board that such death so occurred, there shall be paid:

(a) To such person having an insurable interest in the life of the deceased, as he shall have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the Board of Trustees, otherwise to his estate, his accumulated contributions; and

(b) To his widow, if he leaves a widow, to continue during her widowhood; or if there be no widow, or if the widow dies or remarries before the youngest child of such deceased member shall have attained the age of eighteen, then to his child or children under said age, if he leaves children, divided in such manner as the Board in its discretion shall determine to continue as a joint and survivorship pension for the benefit of the child or children under said age until every child dies or attains said age; or if there be no widow or children under the age of eighteen years living at the death of such member, then to his dependent father or dependent mother as the Board in its discretion shall direct to continue for life, a pension of fifty per centum of his average final compensation. If such member at the time of his death shall not leave a widow, child or children under the age of eighteen years or dependent parent or parents, the Ordinary Death Benefit shall be the only death benefit payable.

## RETURN OF ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS

(10) Should a member cease to be an employee except by death or by retirement under the provisions of this sub-title, he shall be paid the amount of his accumulated contributions.

## OPTIONAL ALLOWANCES

(11) In lieu of the disability or service allowances payable under the aforesaid provisions, any member may, prior to the first retirement allowance payment normally due, elect a reduced retirement allowance of equivalent actuarial value in one of the optional forms set out below. The election of the option shall be made on a form provided for that purpose and shall be filed with the Board of Trustees. Should a member die prior to the expiration of thirty days after the date of the filing of such election or prior to thirty days after retirement, such election shall be void and of no effect,