



*To CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF  
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEES*

**CIRCULAR LETTER PEN 6/02**

**TEACHERS' PENSIONS  
ONCE-OFF PAYMENT DUE UNDER THE PPF**

1. I am directed by the Minister for Education and Science to refer to the terms of the Agreement on Pay and Conditions which forms part of the Programme for Prosperity and Fairness (PPF) and to convey the approval of the Minister for the implementation of the 1% once-off lump sum payment due in the case of persons who are in receipt of pension under the Vocational Teachers' Superannuation Scheme or under the Spouses' and Children's Pension Scheme.
2. Any person who is in receipt of pension on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2002 is entitled to receive a once-off lump sum equivalent to 1% of the annual rate of pension on that date. A person whose pension commences after the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2002 will not be entitled to this 1% payment in pension.

(Note however that teachers who were in employment on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2002 will receive, through the salary payroll, a lump sum equivalent to 1% of the annual rate of pay. A separate circular is being issued to VECs in this regard.)

3. Enquiries by VECs regarding the provisions of this Circular should be addressed to the Department at the address given below.

VEC PENSIONS  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & SCIENCE  
CORNAMADDY  
ATHLONE  
CO. WESTMEATH

Enquiries by phone should be made to 0902-83657 or 0902-83658 or to 01-8734700: extensions 3657 or 3658.

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