



Getting Ready to Retire or Apply for Federal Benefits? Be ready to sign up for direct deposit of your federal benefit payments

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If you are retiring or applying for federal benefits on or after May 1, 2011, you will need to receive your payments electronically – paper checks will no longer be an option. When you apply for federal benefits, be ready to sign up for direct deposit of your federal benefit payments.

With direct deposit, your money will go straight into your NYCB checking or savings account on payment day each month. You can count on your money being on time, every time. To get direct deposit, here's what you'll need to have on hand when you apply for federal benefits:

- ✓ NYCB routing transit number
- ✓ Account type (checking or savings)
- ✓ Account number
- ✓ Benefit recipient's Social Security Number
- ✓ Claim number Or the 12-digit check number
Of your last federal benefit check
- ✓ Spelling of names and address information as
they appear on the federal benefit check
- ✓ Payment amount of the benefit recipient's last
last federal benefit checks

2400
91-548/1221
PAY TO THE ORDER OF \$
DOLLARS
FOR
⑆ 221052761 ⑆ 6724301068 ⑆ 2400.00
Routing Number Account Number

Be prepared. Before you fill out an application for Social Security or other federal benefits, have the right information in front of you to sign up for direct deposit. You'll ensure a smooth enrollment process and start enjoying the safety and ease of direct deposit from your very first payment.

Already receive federal benefits by paper check?

You will need to switch to electronic payments by March 1, 2013. Don't delay – sign up for direct deposit now. You'll enjoy the reliability of direct deposit immediately while beating the last-minute rush to sign up. To make the switch today, visit www.GoDirect.org or call 800-333-1795.

