# My beneficiary changes

 ${\sf Did\,you\,know\,you\,may\,be\,able\,to\,update\,your}$ beneficiary designation online? Visit newyorklife.com and click on "My Account" for more information.

**STEP 1** Tell us your policy information. *Please print the required information.* 

If you need assistance completing this form, please contact us at (800) CALL-NYL or contact your Agent/Financial Professional.

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STEP 6B If any of your named beneficiaries are minors from Step 6A, please complete this section.										
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# Frequently asked questions & things to remember

### What information is needed about my beneficiary?

- Full name
- Relationship to the insured/policy owner
- Date of birth\*
- Social security number\*
- Address\*
- Phone number\*
- Email\*
- How proceeds should be divided
- Name of UTMA/UGMA custodian if beneficiary is a minor
- \*Please provide each beneficiary's social security number, date of birth, address, phone number, and email. This helps us locate beneficiaries and promptly pay

### What are the different types of beneficiaries?

Remember, you can name more than one class of beneficiaries (such as primary, secondary, or tertiary), and more than one beneficiary within a class.

#### **BENEFICIARY CLASSES:**

- Primary or first beneficiary: individual(s) or entity(ies) (such as a trust) who will receive a death benefit after the insured or annuitant passes away (NOTE - see section below entitled: "What Special Provisions Apply to Deferred Annuities?"). If there are no living beneficiaries in any beneficiary class, funds will be distributed according to the terms of the contract. If a primary beneficiary does not survive the insured or annuitant, that portion of contract proceeds will be paid to any remaining primary beneficiaries in equal shares.
- Secondary or second beneficiary: if all primary beneficiaries are deceased, the class of individual(s) or entity(ies) (such as a trust) who will receive a death benefit after the insured or annuitant passes away. If there are no living beneficiaries in any beneficiary class, funds will be distributed according to the terms of the contract. It's important to consider naming a secondary beneficiary because if the primary beneficiary passes away before the insured or annuitant and a secondary beneficiary is not named, the assets usually will pass to the estate of the policy owner. This may require that the estate be probated.
- Tertiary or third beneficiary: if all primary and secondary beneficiaries are deceased, the individual(s) or entity(ies) (such as a trust) who will receive a death benefit after the insured or annuitant passes away. If there are no living beneficiaries in any beneficiary class, funds will be distributed according to the terms of the contract.

#### **PER CAPITA:**

Per Capita describes an arrangement in which if one of the beneficiaries were to pass away or disclaim, the shares would be distributed evenly amongst the surviving beneficiaries.

#### PER STIRPES DESIGNATION:

If a beneficiary is designated "per stirpes," any interest to which the deceased beneficiary would be entitled, if living, passes equally to any living children of that beneficiary.

#### **REVOCABLE VS. IRREVOCABLE BENEFICIARIES:**

- Revocable beneficiary: a revocable beneficiary can be changed by the owner at any time.
- Irrevocable beneficiary: an irrevocable beneficiary has a vested interest in the death benefit which can't be cancelled without the beneficiary's written consent.
- **Testamentary Trust:** A trust created by an individual's last will and testament, which takes effect only upon the death of the individual who created the will. A will may contain more than one testamentary trust, and may address all or any portion of the estate. If the policy's beneficiary is a testamentary trust, policy proceeds cannot be paid to the trust until the estate is probated, or if the state allows a small estate affidavit to be filed.
- **Beneficiary for Value:** This designation can be used when the beneficiary has a specific financial interest in the policy proceeds. A beneficiary for value designation typical contains the phrase, "as its interests may appear." A beneficiary for value can't be changed without the beneficiary's written consent.
- Funeral home as Beneficiary: Before designating a funeral home as beneficiary, we recommend you consult a legal professional. Other alternatives may better serve your intention, such as a collateral assignment in favor of a funeral home. In order to designate a funeral home as a beneficiary, a copy of a Pre-need Arrangement (form provided by funeral home) is required in certain jurisdictions. If you need assistance, please contact us at the number listed on the top of this form, visit newyorklife.com, or contact your Agent/ Financial Professional.

### What if my beneficiary is a minor?

Minors can't directly receive payments. Unless you specify a trust or name a custodian for the minor beneficiary under the Uniform Transfers to Minors Act (UTMA) or Uniform Gifts to Minors Act (UGMA), we will require a court appointed custodian/ guardian for the estate of the minor to present a claim on behalf of the minor beneficiary.

In an effort to avoid the complications and legal fees associated with obtaining a court appointed custodian/quardian for the minor child, you may want to consider designating a custodian under an applicable state's UTMA/UGMA.

### For a trust beneficiary, what information is needed?

- Name of trust
- Date of the trust agreement
- Name of trustee(s) and contact information
- Tax ID number

## How do I specify the amount of proceeds to leave to each beneficiary?

You can specify the amount you want to leave to each beneficiary in percentages, or fractions. If beneficiaries in any one beneficiary class are to receive unequal amounts, the

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## Frequently asked questions & things to remember Continued from previous page

percentage (%) of proceeds to be payable to each must be shown and must equal 100% within each beneficiary class. Specific dollar amounts will not be accepted.

If more than one beneficiary is named, and a percentage or fraction isn't specified, the proceeds will be split equally among the living beneficiaries of the applicable beneficiary class. If there are no living primary beneficiaries, the proceeds will be paid to the named beneficiaries in the next beneficiary class, and so forth. The contract provisions will control the payment of the proceeds if all named beneficiaries predecease the insured or annuitant.

#### What if I get a divorce or annulment?

In most states, if your intent is for your ex-spouse to remain as beneficiary of your policy, you must update the beneficiary designation after your divorce is finalized designating the relationship as ex-spouse. We recommend you speak with a legal advisor to see how your final order of divorce and/or state laws may affect your beneficiary designation. For example, your divorce decree may require you to maintain your child or former spouse as primary beneficiary.

### What if my contract has multiple owners?

Each owner's signature is required to name beneficiaries.

### What special provisions apply to Deferred **Annuities?**

If a deferred annuity has not begun paying income payments, the death of any owner triggers the death benefit. An exception to this is "Spousal Continuance" described below. If any Owner is not a natural person, the death benefit will be triggered upon the death of the Annuitant.

Spousal Continuance: If the annuity owner's spouse is named the sole primary beneficiary and the owner dies, the annuity may be continued with the surviving spouse as the new owner, if so provided in the contract. If the deceased annuity owner was also the sole annuitant, the surviving spouse will also become the new annuitant. If the surviving spouse chooses to continue the annuity, no death benefit will be paid as a consequence of the death of the first spouse. For annuities with joint spousal ownership, while both owners are living, if the sole primary beneficiary designation is not "Surviving Spouse," the right of the surviving spouse to continue the contract will not be in effect.

#### What if I have an irrevocable beneficiary?

For annuity contracts: Irrevocable beneficiary designations can only be changed with the written consent of the irrevocable beneficiary. Unless otherwise specifically provided in the contract, or as required by law, the policy owner's rights are not otherwise restricted.

For life contracts: Owner's rights are restricted. The irrevocable beneficiary's signature authorization must be received before processing any contractual changes. These include beneficiary changes, loans and withdrawals, the right to exercise the Non-Forfeiture Option, and the right to assign or surrender the contract.

### Did you get the signatures you need?

- Policy owner
- Joint owner (if any)
- Irrevocable beneficiary (if any)
- Witness (Massachusetts residents life insurance policies only)

#### **Power of Attorney**

If a Power of Attorney (POA) is signing the form, the POA document should be current and in certain states the right to update a beneficiary must be a specific right given in the POA.

