

Client Alert

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IRS Announces 2023 Retirement Plan And Other Benefit Limitations

The Internal Revenue Service recently announced the new inflation adjusted dollar limitations for retirement plan contributions and benefits beginning January 1, 2023. Many of the limits have gone up, which will enhance the value of many employee benefit plans. The adjusted limits are listed below.

LIMITATION	2022 AMOUNT	2023 AMOUNT
Basic Elective Deferral Limitation for 401(k), 403(b) and 457(b) Plans	\$20,500	\$22,500
Catch-up Contribution Limit for Persons Age 50 and older in 401(k), 403(b) or SARSEP Plans	\$6,500	\$7,500
Limitation on Annual Additions to a Defined Contribution Plan ¹	\$61,000	\$66,000
Limitation on Annual Benefits from a Defined Benefit Plan ²	\$245,000	\$265,000
Maximum Annual Compensation taken into account for determining benefits or contributions to a qualified plan	\$305,000	\$330,000
Highly Compensated Employee Compensation Threshold ³	\$135,000	\$150,000
Social Security Taxable Wage Base for Social Security Tax (6.2%)	\$135,000	\$150,000
For Medicare Tax (1.45% / 2.35%)	No Limit	No Limit
IRA/Roth IRA Contribution Limit	\$6,000	\$6,500
Health Savings Accounts:		
• Individual Contribution Limit	\$3,650	\$3,850
• Family Contribution Limit	\$7,300	\$7,750
• Catch-up Contributions	\$1,000	\$1,000
Health Flexible Spending Accounts ⁴	\$2,850	\$3,050

¹ In no event may annual additions exceed 100% of a participant’s compensation.

² In no event may a participant’s annual benefit exceed 100% of the participant’s average compensation for the participant’s high three years.

³ Generally, an employee is considered “highly compensated” if the employee:
 (a) was a five-percent owner of the employer at any time during the current or preceding year; or
 (b) received compensation from the employer in the preceding year of more than the applicable dollar limit for that year.

⁴ This limit applies only to voluntary employee salary reduction (pre-tax) contributions.

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Our Employee Benefits Practice Group can help you to understand how these new limits may affect your plans and whether new benefit structures may be available for you and your companies.

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