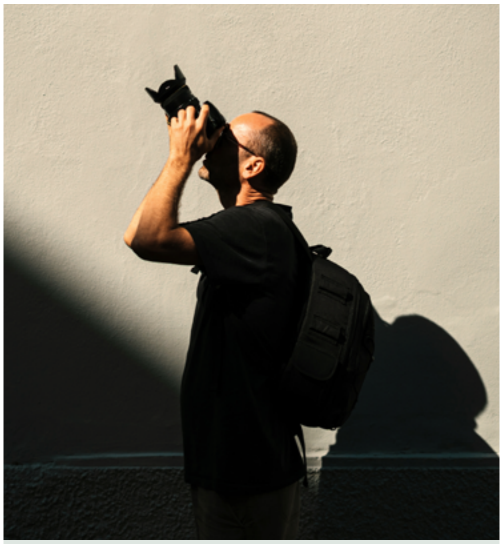
Here's why it's better to save with your workplace RRSP



When you think about your future, what do you see? Maybe you see yourself going back to school, purchasing a home or enjoying a vacation. Or maybe you focus on retiring comfortably with enough savings to support yourself and your loved ones. Whatever your goals may be, you'll need savings to get you there.

Your workplace Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP) can help you save on taxes. And when you save on taxes, your savings can grow even more! Start building the future you want with your RRSP.

What's great about the RRSP?

Easy contributions

Set up automatic contributions each pay so you can save without thinking about it. Just remember to stay within your contribution limit.

Choose the amount you want to contribute to your workplace RRSP each pay on mysunlife.ca by selecting **Manage plan**, followed by **my plan**, **Put money in**, then **Manage payroll contributions**.

Using our Payroll contributions calculator

Our **Payroll contributions calculator** can help you see how saving a little extra affects your take-home pay.

Find this calculator by following the steps to the left to get to the **Manage payroll contributions** page, then scrolling down and selecting the **Payroll contributions calculator**.

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Nothing grows your money like time!

The earlier you start contributing to your RRSP, the easier it is to accumulate savings.

Did you know if you contribute $300 per month to your RRSP now instead of in 10 years, you'd have $145,828 more at retirement?*

* This number comes from the Save today for more tomorrow calculator on **mysunlife.ca** and is based on a 29-year-old contributing $300 per month starting now instead of 10 years from now.

TAX ADVANTAGES

With your workplace RRSP, you save taxes in two ways

01.

Instant tax savings

When you contribute to your plan's RRSP each pay, you get an instant tax break. That's because your contribution goes in to the RRSP before payroll and witholding tax comes off, lowering your taxable income. If you contribute to a personal RRSP outside of your workplace plan, you won't see the same instant tax break. Consider the example below showing the instant tax break in a workplace RRSP.

Emilie has a salary of $47,630 annually. The chart below demonstrates the difference in taxes if she were to contribute to her workplace RRSP each pay compared to a personal RRSP.

Product	Personal RRSP	Personal RRSP
Pay before tax (every two weeks)	$1,793	$1,793
Contribution each pay before tax	$100	N/A
Taxable income for the pay period	$1,693	$1,693
Total deductions* (including payrol and withholding tax)	$362	$362
Pay after tax (every two weeks)	$1,331	$1,411
Contributions every pay after tax	N/A	$100
Pay after tax and contributions	$1,331	$1,311

TOTAL SAVINGS IN TAX EACH PAY = **$20.00**

*For illustrative purposes only. Total deductions include federal and provincial income tax, plus Canada Pension Plan and Employment Insurance premiums.

By saving in her workplace RRSP instead of a personal RRSP, Emilie saves $20 in tax each pay.

It may not seem like much, but that adds up to $520 in a year and $2,600 in just 5 years!

02.

Your savings can grow tax-free, until you take the money out

Contributions to your workplace RRSP can earn investment income from the funds they're invested in. But you don't pay taxes on your contributions or any investment growth until you take your money out in cash. And if you wait until retirement to withdraw from your RRSP, you could be in a lower tax bracket.

Consider speaking with a financial advisor

They'll help you learn more about workplace RRSPs and personal RRSPs. Most importantly, they'll help you decide what's best for you, based on your situation.

Competitive investing fees

With your workplace RRSP, you pay competitive investing costs compared to similarly managed investment funds at similar financial institutions. With competitive fees, more of your hard-earned money stays in your account.

Exclusive investment funds

You decide how to invest contributions to your RRSP, from a variety of investment funds. Some of the funds available to you are unique and only available to plan members. You won't always find these funds if you invest on your own at a similar financial institution.

No hidden fees

In your workplace RRSP, there are no hidden fund management fees (FMFs). We tell you exactly how much your investments cost.

Know your limits

Keep in mind, your RRSP has a contribution limit which changes each year. Your contribution limit is shared between all RRSPs you contribute to, including spousal RRSPs. It's up to you to know your limit. Find yours on your most recent **Notice of assessment** from the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA), using the CRA's **My Account for Individuals** service on **Canada.ca**, or by calling the Tax Information Phone Service at **1-800-267-6999**.

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