

New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association, Inc.

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<u>Retiree Chapter Membership</u> Requires the Payment of Dues by Pension Deduction

Your first year of membership in the Retiree Chapter is automatic and free. You should still fill out a Chapter application when you first retire so we have your correct contact information, we can process your service award and you can designate beneficiaries for the free life insurance benefit.

After your first free year, dues for the Chapter are \$25 per year. Dues are paid by pension deductions of \$2.08 per month. In order to initiate pension deductions, we must have your retirement number.

When you retire, you will not immediately be assigned a retirement number. During your first few months of retirement, the Comptroller's office goes over your service record and determines your final pension. Once your pension is finalized, you will receive a letter notifying you of the finalization and the letter will include your newly assigned retirement number. Be sure to keep that letter and document your retirement number as it will be required in the future. Fill out another Retiree Chapter Application and mail it to us, fax it in to 518.426.1635 or scan and email to retirement@nyscopba.org.

Your retirement number has a prefix of 0S, 0O, 0A or 0B followed by seven digits. Your retirement number can be located on the letter from the Retirement System notifying you your retirement has been finalized, on your pension check stub, on your annual statement from the Retirement System and on your 1099 tax form on the bottom left corner following your social security number. If you cannot locate your retirement number, you will need to contact the Retirement System at (518) 474-7736 or (866) 805-0990.

The Chapter application and most all information and forms you will need have been added to the retirement page on our web site at <u>http://www.nyscopba.org/retirement</u>.