



# Membership and Account Agreement - Personal

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This Agreement is the contract of deposit, which covers your and our rights and responsibilities concerning Membership and Account(s) offered to you. In this Agreement, the words "you" and "yours" mean those who sign the Account Card ("Account Card") or approve an electronic application. The words "we," "us," and "our" mean the Spokane Teachers Credit Union ("Credit Union"). The word "account" means any one or more deposit accounts you have with the Credit Union.

By signing the Account Card or completing and transmitting an online account authorization or service request that is a part of the Agreement, each of you, jointly and severally, agree to the terms and conditions in this Agreement, including the Funds Availability Policy, Electronic Services Agreement, Privacy Policy, and the Truth-in-Savings Disclosures (Rates and Fee Schedule) accompanying this Agreement, any account receipt, the Credit Union's Bylaws and policies, and any amendments, which collectively govern your Membership and Accounts. You agree that additional accounts and services you request in the future will be governed by this Agreement, as amended from time to time.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PROCEDURES FOR OPENING A NEW ACCOUNT.** To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identify each person who opens an account. What this means to you: When you open an account, we will ask for your name, address, date of birth, and other information that will allow us to identify you. We may also ask to see your driver's license or other identifying documents.

## I. MEMBERSHIP AND ACCOUNTS

### 1. Membership Eligibility

To be eligible for membership in the Credit Union you must be an individual or entity qualifying within the Credit Union's field of membership and must pay the membership fee as required by the Credit Union's Bylaws. You authorize us to check your account, credit and employment history, and obtain a credit report from third parties, including credit reporting agencies, to verify your eligibility for the accounts and services you request.

### 2. Account Ownership & Designations

The classification and form of ownership of your accounts are designated on your Account Card or by completing or transmitting an online account authorization or service request. For members who are Washington residents, unless you waive your rights, you understand that certain account designations, such as joint ownership with right of survivorship or POD beneficiary may be invalidated upon the Credit Union's receipt of notice of marriage dissolution or a testamentary disposition, as required by applicable law.

### 3. Individual Accounts

An individual account is an account owned by one depositor including any individual, trust, or other fiduciary relationship qualified for Credit Union membership. If the account is an individual account, the interest of a deceased individual owner will pass, subject to applicable law, to the decedent's estate or payable on death beneficiary, if applicable.

### 4. Joint Accounts

An account owned by two or more persons is a joint account. Any account in which you request joint ownership with another party will be an individual account until the Credit Union receives an Account Card signed by the joint owner or by completing or transmitting an online account authorization or service request, at which time the account will be a jointly owned account and the following joint ownership rights will apply.

- a. *Rights of Survivorship.* If your account is a joint account, the account is owned as a joint account with rights of survivorship unless otherwise stated on the Account Card or electronic application. Upon the death of one of the joint account owners, that person's interest will become the property of the surviving joint account owners.
- b. *Rights of Joint Account Owners.* Any joint account owner is authorized and deemed to act for the other owner(s). The Credit Union may accept orders and instructions regarding the account and requests for future services from any account owner. Each account owner guarantees the signature of the other owners. Any account owner may withdraw all funds in the account, stop payment on items drawn on an account, withdraw, or pledge all or any part of the shares of any account, without the consent of the other account owner(s) and the Credit Union shall have no duty to notify any other joint account owner(s). If the Credit Union receives written notice of a dispute between account owners or receives inconsistent instructions from them, the Credit Union may suspend or terminate the account, require a court order to act, or require that all joint account owners agree in writing to any transaction concerning the account.
- c. *Joint Account Owner Liability.* If any item deposited in a joint account is returned unpaid or an account is overdrawn, or if we do not receive final payment on any transaction, each of the multiple account owners is jointly and severally liable to the Credit Union for the amount of the returned item, overdraft, or unpaid amount and any fees, regardless of who created the overdraft, deposited or cashed the item or benefited from the transaction. If any account owner is indebted to the Credit Union, the Credit Union may enforce its rights against any or all funds in the joint account regardless of who contributed the funds to the joint account.

### 5. POD Beneficiaries

A Payable on Death (POD) designation is an instruction to the Credit Union that a designated account is an account payable to the owner or owners during their lifetimes, and upon the death of the last joint account owner, payable to any named and surviving POD beneficiary designated on your Account Card or electronic account application. Accounts payable to more than one POD beneficiary are owned jointly by such beneficiaries with rights of survivorship. Any POD beneficiary designation shall not apply to IRA accounts which shall be governed by a separate beneficiary designation. The Credit Union shall at no time have any obligation to notify any beneficiary of the existence of any account or the vesting of the beneficiary's interest in any account, except as otherwise provided by law.

### 6. Accounts for Minors

For any account established by or for a minor, the Credit Union reserves the right to require the minor account owner to have a parental joint account owner or custodian who is at least eighteen (18) years of age who shall be jointly and severally liable to the Credit Union for any returned item, overdraft, or unpaid fees or amounts on such account. The Credit Union may make payments of funds directly to the minor without regard to his or her minority. The Credit Union has no duty to inquire of the use or purpose of any transaction by the minor or joint account owner. The minor account owner's tax

identification number must be shown on the Account Card. The Credit Union shall not change the account status when the minor reaches age eighteen (18), unless authorized in writing by all account owners.

## 7. Fiduciary Accounts

A fiduciary account is an account opened by an executor, administrator, personal representative, trustee, conservator, or other fiduciary in such capacity authorized under a will, court order or trust instrument establishing the fiduciary relationship or a Representative Payee authorized by the Social Security Administration ("fiduciary"). The account owner is the estate, conservatorship, trust or Social Security Administration benefit recipient as the sole owner of this account. The fiduciary is authorized to act on behalf of the account owner but has no ownership interest in the account. The fiduciary is the only authorized party to transact on this account. The fiduciary is expressly authorized to endorse all items payable to or owned by the Account owner for deposit with or collection by the Credit Union and to execute such other agreements and to perform any other account transaction under the Agreement. The fiduciary is authorized to receive account information from the Credit Union, either orally or in writing, and any information related to the account. The authority given to the fiduciary shall remain in full force until a court order, termination of the account owner or written notice of revocation is received by the Credit Union either by a court appointed representative of the account owner or by the Social Security Administration, as applicable. Any such notice shall not affect any items in process at the time notice is given. The fiduciary will notify the Credit Union of any change in the account owner's status affecting the deposit relationship between the account owner and the Credit Union. The fiduciary warrants that all actions he or she takes regarding the account will be for the sole benefit of the account owner and that the fiduciary will not conduct any transaction on the account that will personally benefit the fiduciary or will not comply with the terms of the applicable laws, will, court order or instrument establishing the fiduciary relationship. The Credit Union may rely upon these representations and shall have no duty to examine such authorizing documents for compliance or inquire as to the powers and duties of the fiduciary and shall have no notice of any breach of fiduciary duties by the fiduciary unless the Credit Union has actual notice of wrongdoing. The account owner agrees that the Credit Union shall not be liable for any losses due to the account owner's failure to notify the Credit Union of any unauthorized acts of the fiduciary or changes to the relationship between the fiduciary and account owner. The account owner and fiduciary agree to indemnify and hold Credit Union harmless of any claim or liability as a result of unauthorized acts of the fiduciary upon which Credit Union relies prior to any actual notice of any account change or change of account owner.

## 8. Deposit Requirements

Funds may be deposited to any account in any manner approved by the Credit Union in accordance with the requirements set forth on the Rate and Fee Schedule. All accounts are non-assignable and nonnegotiable to third parties. You agree not to deposit any substitute check or similar item that you have created, or for which no financial institution has provided any substitute warranties and indemnity. If you do so, you agree to indemnify the Credit Union for all losses the Credit Union incurs in connection with the substitute check or item. You agree not to deposit any substitute check without our consent.

- a. *Endorsements.* You authorize the Credit Union, in its discretion, to accept transfers, checks, drafts, and other items for deposit into any of your accounts, whether or not they are endorsed by all payees. You authorize the Credit Union to supply missing endorsements if the Credit Union chooses to supply such endorsements. The Credit Union reserves the right to verify all endorsements on third party checks presented for deposit either in person or by comparison with member signature files. If insurance, government, and certain other checks or drafts require an endorsement as set forth on the back of the check, the Credit Union may require endorsement as set forth on the check. Endorsements must be placed in the space between the top edge and 1 ½ inches from the top edge. The Credit Union may accept drafts or checks with endorsements outside this space. However, if any such endorsement or other markings you or any prior endorser make on the check cause any delay or error in processing the item for payment, you will be responsible for any loss incurred by the Credit Union due to the delay or error.
- b. *Collection of Items.* The Credit Union shall not be responsible for deposits made by mail or at an unstaffed facility until the Credit Union actually receives them. In handling items for deposit or collection, the Credit Union only acts as your agent and assumes no responsibility beyond the exercise of ordinary care. The Credit Union will not be liable for default or negligence of any correspondent or for loss in transit, and each correspondent will only be liable for its own negligence. The Credit Union reserves the right to send any item for collection. The Credit Union, in receiving items from you for withdrawal or deposit, acts only as your agent and reserves the right to reverse the credit for any deposited items or to charge your account for the items should they become lost in the collection process.
- c. *Final Payment.* All items or Automated Clearing House ("ACH") transfers credited to your account are provisional and subject to our receipt of final payment. If final payment is not received, we reserve the right to charge your account for the amount of those items or ACH transfers and the originators of the payments will not be considered to have paid the amount to you. We may impose a return fee on your account for any payments for which we do not receive final payment. After we have received final payment, we refer to these deposits as collected items. If the Credit Union incurs any fee to collect any item, the Credit Union may charge such fee to your account. The Credit Union reserves the right to refuse or to return all or any item or funds transfer. The Credit Union shall have the right to charge back against your account all previously deposited items or other items endorsed by you that are returned to the Credit Union unpaid, regardless of whether the amount of the item has been available for your use. You further understand that any and all ACH transactions processed by the Credit Union is purely at our discretion and that the payments are governed by the rules of the National Automated Clearing House Association.
- d. *Direct Deposits.* The Credit Union may offer direct deposit options allowing you to preauthorize deposits (i.e., payroll checks, Social Security or retirement checks, or other government checks) or preauthorize transfers from other accounts at the Credit Union. You must authorize any direct deposits to your accounts by a separate authorization form. If applicable, you must notify the Credit Union at least thirty (30) days prior to any direct deposit or preauthorized transfer if you wish to cancel or change the direct deposit or direct transfer option. Upon a filing of a bankruptcy, if you fail to cancel any direct deposit authorization, you instruct your employer and the Credit Union to make and apply direct deposits in accordance with your authorization on file with the Credit Union. If the Credit Union is required to reimburse the U.S. Government for any benefit payment directly deposited into your account for any reason, you agree the Credit Union may deduct the amount returned from any of your accounts, unless prohibited by law.
- e. *Crediting of Deposits.* Deposits made on Saturdays, Sundays, and Credit Union holidays will be credited to your account on the next business day. Ask for our current deposit cutoff time. Deposits received at unstaffed facilities, such as night depositories, will be credited on the day funds are removed and processed by the Credit Union. Items drawn from an institution located outside the United States are handled on a collection basis only. Funds will be credited to your account when we receive final payment. You waive any notice of nonpayment, dishonor, or protest regarding any items purchased or received by the Credit Union for credit to your account or for collection.

## 9. Account Access

- a. *Authorized Signature.* The Credit Union is authorized to recognize your signature, but will not be liable for refusing to honor any item or instruction of yours if it believes in good faith that the signature on such item or instruction is not genuine. If you open your account electronically and do not provide us with a physical signature, you agree that we may, without liability, accept as genuine any signature that appears to be yours. If you have

authorized the use of a facsimile signature, the Credit Union may honor any draft that appears to bear your facsimile signature even if it was made by an unauthorized person. If you give your account number to a third person, you authorize us to honor transactions initiated by the third person even if you did not specifically authorize a particular transaction.

- b. **Access Options.** You may make withdrawals or transfers from your account in any manner which is permitted by the Credit Union (i.e., check, automated teller machines (ATMs), debit card, in person, by mail, automatic transfer, online banking, or telephone). If the Credit Union accepts any check that is not drawn on a form provided by the Credit Union, you will be responsible for any loss incurred by the Credit Union for handling the check. The Credit Union may return as unpaid any check that is not drawn in the form provided by the Credit Union.
- c. **Electronic Check Transactions.**
  - i. **Electronic Checks.** If you authorize a merchant to electronically debit your checking account using the routing number, account and serial number of your check to initiate the transfer, whether the check is blank, partially or fully completed and signed, such authorization is an electronic check conversion. An electronic check conversion is an electronic funds transfer (EFT) subject to the terms of your Electronic Services Agreement. You authorize us to honor any electronic check conversion from your checking account just the same as a regular written check.
  - ii. **Electronic Re-presented Checks.** If you write a check on a personal account that we return unpaid because of insufficient or uncollected funds, payee or any subsequent holder of the check may re-present the check to us, through an electronic instruction (Electronic Re-presented Check) to charge your account for the amount of the check. If we receive an electronic re-presented check, we will pay or return the electronic re-presented check as if the original paper check was presented to us. Any collection fee you authorize the merchant to debit from your account is an Electronic Services subject to the terms of your Electronic Services Agreement. If you want to reverse an electronic re-presented check, you must give us an affidavit within 15 days after we send or make available to you the periodic statement that reflects payment of that electronic re-presented check. In your affidavit, you must declare and swear under oath that the electronic re-presented check was ineligible or unauthorized. If we receive proper notice or affidavit from you within the 15 day period, we will re-credit your account with the amount of the charge. If you wish to stop payment of any electronic re-presented check, you must follow the procedures contained in this Agreement for stopping payment of checks, not the procedures for stopping payment on electronic loan or bill payments. If you ask us to request the depositor's bank to send us the original paper check or a copy of the paper check, and we provide it to you, you agree that you will not seek to have your account re-credited due to a prior stop payment order or if the item is otherwise ineligible for collection.
- d. **ACH & Domestic Wire Transfers.** You may initiate or receive credits or debits to your account via wire transfer or ACH ("Automated Clearing House") transfer. You agree that if you receive funds by a domestic wire or ACH transfer, the Credit Union is not required to notify you at the time the funds are received. Instead, the transfer will be shown on your periodic statement. The Credit Union may provisionally credit your account for an ACH transfer before it receives final settlement for the transfer. You agree that if the Credit Union does not receive final settlement for a transfer, it may reverse the provisional credit to your account, or you will refund the amount to the Credit Union. When you initiate a wire transfer, you may identify either the recipient or any financial institution by name and by account or identifying number. The Credit Union (and other institutions) may rely on the account or other identifying number you give as the proper identification number, even if it identifies a different party or institution. Domestic wire transfers are governed by Federal Reserve Regulation J if the transfer is cleared through the Federal Reserve. ACH transactions are governed by the rules of the National Automated Clearing House Association.
- e. **Credit Union Examination.** The Credit Union may disregard information on any check other than the signature of the drawer and amount of the item and any magnetic encoded information. You agree the Credit Union does not fail to exercise ordinary care in paying an item solely because its procedures do not provide for sight examination of items.

## 10. Account Rates and Fees

The Credit Union's payment of dividends on any account is subject to the account rates, fees, earnings, payment and balance requirements as set forth on the Rate and Fee Schedule. You agree the Credit Union may impose fees for the deposit account services provided by the Credit Union. A current Rate and Fee Schedule has been provided to you separately. You agree the Credit Union may change the Rate and Fee Schedule from time to time and you will be notified of such changes as required by law.

## 11. Transaction Limitations

- a. **Withdrawal Restrictions.** The Credit Union will permit a withdrawal only if you have sufficient available funds in your account to cover the full amount of the withdrawal or have an established overdraft protection plan. Checks or other transfer or payment orders which are drawn against insufficient available funds will be subject to a service fee, set forth in the Rate and Fee Schedule. If there are sufficient available funds to cover some but not all of your withdrawal orders, the Credit Union may allow those withdrawals for which there are sufficient available funds in any order at the Credit Union's discretion. The Credit Union may also refuse to allow a withdrawal in other cases, for example: any dispute between the owners about the account (unless a court has ordered the Credit Union to allow the withdrawal), a legal garnishment or attachment is served, the account secures an obligation to the Credit Union, any required documentation has not been presented, or you fail to repay a Credit Union loan on time. You will be advised of the reasons for refusal if such action is taken. The Credit Union reserves the right to require members to give notice in writing of any intended withdrawals from any account (except checks) of not less than seven (7) days and up to sixty (60) days, as required by law, before such withdrawal.
- b. **Transfer Limitations.** For Savings accounts and Money Market accounts, you may make up to six (6) preauthorized, automatic, online, telephonic or audio response transfers, to another account of yours or to a third party during any calendar month. A preauthorized transfer includes any arrangement with the Credit Union to pay a third party from the member's account upon oral or written orders including orders received through the ACH. There is no limit on the number of transactions you may make in the following manner: (i) transfers to any loan account with the Credit Union, and (ii) transfers to another Credit Union account or withdrawals (checks mailed directly to you) when such transfer or withdrawal is initiated in person, by mail or at an ATM. If a transfer request would exceed the transfer limitations set forth above in any statement period, the Credit Union will impose a fee.

## 12. Overdrafts

- a. **Order in Which Checks and Other Items are Paid.** In general, we pay checks and other transactions in the order in which they are presented to us for payment, regardless of when you issued or authorized them. Insufficient balances on your account may result from 1) checks, 2) automated clearing house (ACH) debits such as online bill payment transactions, 3) payments authorized by an owner or other withdrawal requests, 4) items deposited by an owner and returned unpaid by the paying institution, and 5) imposition of service charges. Checks and ACH debits may be

presented to us in batches or data files, and are paid when we process the data file. Checks in the same data file may be processed in any order we deem appropriate. Checks presented for payment at one of our branches are processed at the time of payment. Debit card transactions are processed when they are transmitted to us, which may occur at the time of the transaction or up to several days later. The merchant or its processor determines when the transaction will be transmitted to us. When a merchant obtains authorization for a debit card transaction, we place a temporary hold against the funds in the account for the amount of the authorized transaction. In some cases, such as restaurants, gas stations, or car rental transactions, there may be a hold for an initially authorized amount, but the transaction is submitted at a different amount. You should be certain there are enough funds in your account at all times to pay checks or other transactions you authorize, or those checks or transactions will be handled according to the overdraft and insufficient funds terms of this Agreement, or paid under one of our check overdraft services if applicable. You agree that we may change these practices at any time without prior notice to you to address data processing constraints, changes in law, regulation, clearing house rules or business concerns.

- b. *Determination of Available Balance to Pay Items.* Checks and other transactions on your account are paid based on your available balance, and not the actual balance. Your actual balance is the amount of funds in the account at a point in time based on transactions that have posted to the account at that time. Your available balance is the amount of funds in the account that are available to pay checks, ACHs, and other items presented against the account without incurring an overdraft or non-sufficient funds fee or transferring funds from another account. The available balance is generally equal to the actual balance, less the amount of any holds placed on recent deposits, holds placed for other reasons, and holds for pending transactions (such as debit card purchases) that we have authorized but that have not yet posted to your account. If an item presented for payment against your account exceeds the available balance, we will treat it as presented against non-sufficient funds even if the actual balance exceeds the amount of the item.
- c. *Responsibility for Items Presented Against Insufficient Available Funds.* If on any day, the available funds in your checking account are not sufficient to cover checks and other items posted to your account, those checks and items will be handled in accordance with our overdraft procedures or an overdraft protection plan you have with us. The Credit Union's determination of an insufficient account balance may be made at any time between presentation and the Credit Union's midnight deadline with only one review of the account required. The Credit Union has no duty to notify you of an insufficient funds check. Your account will then be subject to a charge for the item whether paid or returned as set forth in the Rate and Fee Schedule. However, the Credit Union will not charge an overdraft fee for covering an everyday ATM or debit card purchase transaction unless you request such service. We may charge a fee each time a check or item is submitted or resubmitted for payment. Therefore, you may be assessed more than one fee as a result of a returned item or resubmission(s) of the returned item. Except as otherwise agreed in writing, the Credit Union, by covering one or any overdraft, does not agree to cover overdrafts in the future and may discontinue covering overdrafts at any time. If the Credit Union pays a draft that would otherwise overdraw your account, you agree to pay the overdraft amount immediately. We reserve the right to pursue collection of previously dishonored items at any time, including giving a payor bank extra time beyond any midnight deadline limits.
- d. *Savings Overdraft Transfers.* If you qualify, we will automatically enroll you for overdraft transfers from your savings account. If you have enough funds in your savings account, you authorize us to automatically transfer funds to cover any overdraft on your checking account. You may choose the specific savings account you want overdraft transfers to come from. There is no overdraft transfer fee from a savings account. However, savings accounts are subject to transfer limitations and Excess Item fees as set forth on the Rates and Fee Schedule. You may opt out of the savings overdraft transfer service at any time by notifying us verbally or in writing.
- e. *Credit Card.* If you have a credit card account with us and you qualify, we will automatically enroll you for overdraft transfers from your credit card account. If you have available credit, you authorize us to automatically transfer funds to cover any overdraft on your checking account. This transfer is considered a cash advance and subject to cash advance fees as set forth on the Rate and Fee Schedule. You may opt out of the credit card/line of credit overdraft transfer service at any time by notifying us verbally or in writing.
- f. *Privilege Pay Overdraft Service.* We offer a discretionary overdraft service (Privilege Pay) to cover overdrafts on your checking accounts. The Privilege Pay service is offered to all eligible consumer checking account owners 90 days after membership opening, who qualify and remain in good standing with the Credit Union. Privilege Pay is not offered to minors, fiduciary accounts, anyone who is currently in bankruptcy or has caused a financial loss to the Credit Union, anyone with a past due loan payment at the Credit Union or anyone who has enrolled in a debt management program. If you qualify for Privilege Pay, we will advise you of your qualification for the service which will be provided under the following terms and conditions.
  - i. *Discretionary Service.* The Credit Union offers the Privilege Pay service to eligible consumer checking account owners who qualify. The Privilege Pay service is provided to qualified accounts automatically for checks; ACH and online transactions and you have the option to opt-out of the service at any time. Privilege Pay service will be provided for debit card transactions only if you request Privilege Pay services by expressly requesting these transactions ("opt-in"). Under the Privilege Pay service, we are not obligated to pay any check or item presented for payment if your account does not contain sufficient funds. We may, as a discretionary service and not as a right of yours or our obligation to you, pay overdrafts up to an approved overdraft limit under the terms of this service and subject to this Agreement. This overdraft service is not a line of credit, is not guaranteed, and is independent of any loan arrangement you may have with us. We will not pay an overdraft for you in excess of any limit we have established for your account type. Also, we may refuse to pay an overdraft for you at any time, even if we have previously paid overdrafts for you. We have no obligation to notify you before we pay or return any item.
  - ii. *Overdraft Transactions Covered.* Subject to the opt-in requirement set forth above, if on any day you do not have available funds in your account, the following transactions, which may result in an insufficient or negative balance ("overdrafts"), may be covered under our service: checks, debit card transactions, online or other Electronic Services, ACH debits and other payments or withdrawals authorized by you, account service charges, pre-authorized drafts, and any other items that may be posted to your account. If we pay an item, we will pay the item in the order it is presented or received by us, regardless of amount and in accordance with our normal operating procedures for such checks, items or transactions.
  - iii. *Overdraft Limit/Available Balance.* If you qualify, the overdraft limit amount is \$1,000 ("Overdraft Balance"). We may pay overdrafts up to this overdraft limit provided you continue to qualify for the service. The Credit Union's fees and charges and each paid check or item will be included in this limit. This overdraft balance will not be included or reflected in your actual or "available balance" of your account provided by a teller, at ATM or POS facilities, through online services or on your periodic statements.
  - iv. *Overdraft Fees.* There is a fee for each overdraft check or item we pay as set forth on the Rate and Fee Schedule. If we do not pay the overdraft, there is a Returned Item fee for each check or item we return as set forth on the Rate and Fee Schedule. These fees may be

amended as set forth in our Rate and Fee Schedule. If you have excess overdraft activity which results in you reaching the maximum overdraft fees, we will notify you in writing to consider discontinuing the Service. These fees may be amended as set forth in our Rate and Fee Schedule.

- v. *Member Repayment Responsibility.* You agree your overdraft balance, including applicable overdraft fees, is due and payable upon demand. If there is more than one owner on an account, all owners are jointly and severally liable for repayment of the overdraft balance. If you fail to repay your overdraft balance within 30 days of notice from us, we may immediately suspend the Privilege Pay service. Accounts may be closed for failure to repay overdraft balances and we will report account closures to consumer reporting agencies.
- vi. *Member Opt-Out Right.* We offer the Privilege Pay service as a service and convenience to members for incidental overdrafts. We do not encourage you to repeatedly overdraw your account. We encourage you to manage your finances responsibly. You may opt out of the Privilege Pay service at any time by notifying us verbally or in writing. We may require that any verbal opt-out be confirmed in writing. You understand that by opting out of this service, we may refuse to pay any check or item that is presented against an insufficient balance on your account and you will be responsible for any Returned Item fees. You are still responsible to pay any overdraft, even if you have opted out of the service.
- vii. *Credit Union Contact.* For any questions or to exercise your opt-out right from the Privilege Pay Opt-In/Opt-Out Form located at [www.stcu.org/overdraftprotection](http://www.stcu.org/overdraftprotection) or call the Credit Union at 509.326.1954 or 800.858.3750 or write Spokane Teachers Credit Union, PO Box 1954, Spokane, WA 99210-1954.

### 13. Postdated and Stale Dated Checks

You authorize us to accept and pay any check, even if the check is presented for payment before its date, unless you notify the Credit Union of the postdating. Your notice will be effective only if the Credit Union receives the notice in time for the Credit Union to notify its employees and reasonably act upon the notice and you accurately describe the check, including the number, date, and amount. You understand that the exact information is necessary for the Credit Union's computer to identify the check. If you give the Credit Union an incorrect, incomplete, or untimely notice, the Credit Union will not be responsible for paying the item before the date stated and the Credit Union may charge your account as of the date the Credit Union pays the item. A notice will be effective for six (6) months. You also agree not to deposit checks, drafts, or other items before they are properly payable. The Credit Union is under no obligation to you to pay a check drawn on your account which is presented more than six (6) months after its date.

### 14. Stop Payment Orders

- a. *Stop Payment Request.* You may ask the Credit Union to stop payment on any check drawn upon or ACH debit scheduled from your checking account or money market account. You may request a stop payment by telephone, by mail, Online Banking or in person. For checks, the stop payment will be effective if the Credit Union receives the order in time for the Credit Union to act upon the order. For ACH debits, the stop payment order must be received at least three banking days before the scheduled date of the transfer. You must state the number of the account, date and the exact amount of the check or ACH and the number of the check or originator of the ACH debit. The stop payment will be effective if the Credit Union receives the order in time for the Credit Union to act upon the order and you state the number of the account, date and number of the item, its exact amount, and to whom it was issued. If you give the Credit Union incorrect or incomplete information, the Credit Union will not be responsible for failing to stop payment on the item. If the stop payment order is not received in time for the Credit Union to act upon the order, the Credit Union will not be liable to you or to any other party for payment of the item. If we recredit your account after paying a check over a valid and timely stop payment order, you agree to sign a statement describing the dispute with the payee, to transfer all of your rights against the payee or other holders of the check to the Credit Union, and to assist the Credit Union in legal action taken against the person.
- b. *Duration of Order.* A stop payment order on a check will be effective for six (6) months. A stop payment order may be renewed for another six (6) months by contacting the Credit Union. A stop payment order on an ACH transaction will continue until the entry is returned or until you cancel the stop payment order. The Credit Union is not obligated to notify you when a stop payment order expires.
- c. *Liability.* The Credit Union may charge a fee for each stop payment order requested, as set forth in the Rate and Fee Schedule. You may not stop payment on any certified check or draft, cashier's check or teller's check, or any other check, draft, or payment guaranteed by the Credit Union. You should be aware that while payment of the item may be stopped, you may remain liable to any person, including the Credit Union, who is a holder of the item despite the stop payment order. You agree to indemnify and hold the Credit Union harmless from all costs, including attorney fees, damages or claims related to the Credit Union's action in refusing payment of an item, including claims of any multiple party account owner, payee, or endorsee in failing to stop payment of an item as a result of incorrect information provided by you.

### 15. Credit Union's Liability for Errors

If the Credit Union does not properly complete a transaction according to this Agreement, the Credit Union may be liable for your losses or damages but not to exceed the amount of the transaction, except as otherwise provided by law. The Credit Union will not be liable if: (a) through no fault of the Credit Union, your account does not contain enough money to make the transaction, (b) circumstances beyond the Credit Union's control prevents the transaction, (c) your loss is caused by your negligence including your failure to examine your statements, (d) the negligence of another financial institution, or (e) the funds in your account is subject to legal process or other claim. The Credit Union will not be liable for consequential damages except liability for wrongful dishonor. The Credit Union's actions will constitute the exercise of ordinary care if such actions or non-actions are consistent with applicable state law, Federal Reserve regulations and operating letters, clearing house rules, and general banking practices followed in the area serviced by the Credit Union. You grant the Credit Union the right, in making payments of deposited funds, to rely exclusively on the form of the account and the terms of this Account Agreement. Any conflict between oral representations by you or Credit Union employees and any written form will be resolved by reference to this Agreement and applicable written form.

### 16. Credit Union Lien and Security Interest

To the extent you owe the Credit Union money as a borrower, guarantor, endorser or otherwise, the Credit Union has a lien on any or all of the funds in any account in which you have an ownership interest at the Credit Union, regardless of the source of the funds. The Credit Union may apply these funds in any order to pay off your indebtedness without further notice to you. If the Credit Union chooses not to enforce its lien, the Credit Union does not waive its right to enforce the lien at a later time. In addition, you grant the Credit Union a consensual security interest in your accounts and agree the Credit Union may use the funds from your accounts to pay any debt or amount owed the Credit Union, except obligations secured by your dwelling, unless prohibited by applicable law. All accounts are non-assignable and nontransferable to third parties.

### 17. Legal Process

If any legal action, such as a levy, garnishment, or attachment, is brought against your account, the Credit Union may refuse to pay out any money from your account until the dispute is resolved. If the Credit Union incurs any expenses or attorney fees in responding to legal process, such expenses may be

charged against your account without prior notice to you, unless prohibited by law. Any legal process against your account is subject to the Credit Union's lien and security interest.

#### 18. Account Information

Upon your request, the Credit Union will inform you of the name and address of each credit reporting agency from which the Credit Union obtains a credit report in connection with your account. The Credit Union agrees not to disclose information to third parties about your account regarding any transaction or balances except when: (a) it is necessary to complete the transaction; (b) the third party seeks to verify the existence or condition of your account in accordance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act or other applicable laws and regulations; (c) such disclosure is in compliance with the law, government agencies or court orders; or (d) you give us your express permission.

#### 19. Notices

- a. *Name or Address Changes.* It is your responsibility to notify the Credit Union upon a change of address or change of name. The Credit Union is only required to attempt to communicate with you at the most recent address you have provided to the Credit Union. The Credit Union will accept notices of a change in address and any other notice from you to the Credit Union only if provided in writing, in person, by telephone, by online banking, secure messaging, or by STCU's Live Chat instant messaging service. If the Credit Union attempts to locate you, the Credit Union may impose a service fee as set forth in the Rate and Fee Schedule.
- b. *Notice of Amendments.* Except as otherwise prohibited by applicable law, the terms of this Agreement are subject to change at any time. The Credit Union will notify you of any changes in account terms, rates, or fees as required by law. The Credit Union reserves the right to require written consent of all account owners for a change of ownership or termination of a joint account. Only a member may remove another joint owner from the account. The Credit Union reserves the right to waive any term in this Agreement. Any such waiver shall not affect the Credit Union's right to enforce any right in the future.
- c. *Effect of Notice.* Any written notice you give to the Credit Union is effective when it is actually received by the Credit Union. Any written notice the Credit Union gives to you is effective when it is deposited in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid and addressed to you at your statement mailing address. Notice to any one account owner is considered notice to all owners of the account.
- d. *Negative Information Notice.* We may report information about your loan, share or deposit accounts to credit bureaus. Late payments, missed payments, or other defaults on your accounts may be reflected in your credit report.

#### 20. Taxpayer Identification Numbers (TIN) and Backup Withholding

If your account is or becomes subject to backup withholding, the Credit Union is required by law to withhold and pay to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) a required percentage of payments of interest, dividends and certain other payments under certain conditions. Your failure to furnish a correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) or meet other applicable requirements may result in backup withholding as well as civil or criminal penalties. If you refuse to provide your TIN, the Credit Union may delay the opening of your account.

#### 21. Review of Statements & Checks

*Availability of Statements & Checks.* If the Credit Union provides a statement for your account, you will receive a periodic statement of all transactions including checks, debit items and wire transfers and activity on your account during the statement period. For checking accounts, you understand that when paid, your original check (or any substitute check) becomes property of the Credit Union and may not be returned to you. You agree to keep a copy or carbon copy of your original check in order to verify its validity. If you request us to provide you with an original check or sufficient copy, you agree that we may provide an electronic image of the original check or sufficient copy if you have agreed to receive account information or statements electronically. You understand your statements and checks are made available to you on the date the statement is mailed to you. If your statement is provided electronically, you will be sent an electronic mail notice that will direct you to STCU's Online Banking Service where you may access, review, print and otherwise copy/download your periodic statements at any time using procedures we authorize. Any electronic mail from us will be sent to the electronic mail address provided by the account owner. You understand your e-statement and check copies are made available to you on the date an e-statement notice is sent to you or is first available in Online Banking for your review.

- a. *Duty to Examine Statements & Items.* You are responsible for examining each statement and reporting any irregularities to the Credit Union. The Credit Union will not be responsible for any forged, altered, or unauthorized check or item drawn on your account if (i) you fail to notify the Credit Union within 30 calendar days of the availability of your statement and checks containing any forgery, alteration, unauthorized signature or unauthorized or missing endorsement on the item or (ii) any items forged or altered in a manner not detectable by a reasonable person including the unauthorized use of a facsimile signature machine.
- b. *Duty to Report Errors.* If you discover an unauthorized payment or any forgery, alteration, unauthorized signature or unauthorized or missing endorsement on the item or other discrepancy you must promptly notify us in writing of the relevant facts. Your report must identify the specific time or check or debit transactions that you are challenging.
- c. *Unauthorized Transaction Liability.* If you fail to comply with your duty to examine your statements and account activity and report errors, discrepancies and unauthorized transactions, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies available to us, we have the defenses contained in the Uniform Commercial Code Sec. 4-406(d). In addition, if your claim involves a series of items containing unauthorized signatures or alterations by the same wrongdoer, you shall be precluded from asserting against us any unauthorized signature or alteration by the same wrongdoer on any item paid in good faith on or after 30 calendar days after the first statement describing the first altered or unauthorized item was sent or made available to you. Since we have no way of determining the validity of checks or other written orders bearing facsimile signatures, which includes the use of a signature stamp, you hereby release the Credit Union from any liability for unauthorized use of any facsimile signature device.
- d. *Acceptance of Statement.* You agree that the Credit Union's retention of checks does not alter or waive your responsibility to examine your statements and check copies, or the time limit for notifying the Credit Union of any errors. The statement will be considered correct for all purposes and the Credit Union will not be liable for any payment made or charged to your account unless you notify the Credit Union in writing within the above time limit after the statement and checks are made available to you.

#### 22. Dormant and Abandoned Accounts

If you have not made a withdrawal from, deposit to, or transfer involving your account for more than twelve (12) months and the Credit Union has had no contact with you during that period, the Credit Union may classify your account as a dormant account and may charge a dormant account service fee as allowed by Washington law and set forth on the Rate and Fee Schedule. The Credit Union will notify you at your last known address three (3) months prior

to imposing any fee as required by law. The Credit Union reserves the right to suspend any account services for a dormant account. If a deposit or withdrawal has not been made on the account and the Credit Union has had no other contact with you for three (3) years in Washington or five (5) years in Idaho, the account will be presumed to be abandoned, as required by the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act. Funds in abandoned accounts will be remitted in accordance with state law. Once funds have been turned over to the state, the Credit Union has no further liability to you for such funds and if you choose to reclaim such funds, you must apply to the appropriate state agency.

### **23. Death of Account Owner**

For members who are Washington residents, you irrevocably waive the right to make a testamentary disposition of any account with the Credit Union, now and in the future. You agree that upon your death, your account will be payable in accordance with any existing account designations and the terms of this Agreement. The Credit Union may require the survivor or other claimant to the account to produce certain documents before releasing the funds in the account. The Credit Union may continue to honor all transfers, withdrawals, deposits and other transactions on the account until the Credit Union learns of an account owner's death. Once the Credit Union learns of a member's death, the Credit Union may pay checks or honor other payments or transfer orders authorized by the deceased member for a period of ten days unless the Credit Union receives instructions from any person claiming an interest in the account to stop payment on the checks or other items. You agree that the Credit Union can require that anyone who claims funds in your account after your death to indemnify the Credit Union for any losses resulting from honoring that claim.

### **24. Termination of Account**

The Credit Union may terminate your account at any time without notice to you or may require you to close your account and apply for a new account if: (a) there is a change in owners or authorized signers, (b) there has been a forgery or fraud reported or committed involving your account, (c) there is a dispute as to the ownership of the funds in the account, (d) any account checks are lost or stolen, (e) if there are excessive returned unpaid items not covered by an overdraft plan, or (f) if there has been any misrepresentation or any other abuse of any of your accounts, (g) we reasonably deem it necessary to prevent a loss to us, or (h) if you engage in any activity of betting or wagering or are otherwise engaged in any internet gambling business. You may terminate your account at any time by notifying the Credit Union by oral direction or in writing. The Credit Union is not responsible for payment of any check, withdrawal, or other item once your account is terminated; however, if the Credit Union pays a check after termination, you agree to reimburse the Credit Union for payment.

### **25. Termination of Membership**

You may terminate your membership at the Credit Union after giving written notice of your intent to withdraw from membership. You may be denied services or expelled from membership for any reason allowed by applicable law, including causing a loss to the Credit Union.

### **26. Special Account Instructions**

You may request the Credit Union to facilitate certain trust, will, or court-ordered account arrangements. However, because the Credit Union does not give legal advice, we cannot counsel you as to which account arrangement most appropriately meets the specific requirements of your trust, will, or court order. You and any surviving owner or beneficiary agree(s) to indemnify and hold the Credit Union harmless from any claim or liability asserted against the Credit Union as a result of the disposition of funds in reliance on this agreement and any account designation of yours. If you ask the Credit Union to follow instructions that the Credit Union believes might expose it to claims, suits, lawsuits, expenses, liabilities, or damages, whether directly or indirectly, the Credit Union may refuse to follow your instructions or may require you to post a bond or otherwise indemnify the Credit Union. Any item presented with a full payment legend must be presented in person to a Credit Union officer; otherwise, payment is accepted with full reservation of rights. Account changes requested by you or any account owner, such as adding or closing an account or service, must be evidenced by a signed Account Card by all owners and be accepted by the Credit Union. The Credit Union will not recognize the authority of someone to whom you have given power of attorney without an acceptable, written Power of Attorney on record at the Credit Union. You understand and agree that the Credit Union may choose to retain electronic or imaged copies of any original documents and you agree that an electronic or image copy is as valid as an original document.

### **27. Enforcement**

You agree to be liable to the Credit Union for any liability, loss, or expense as provided in this Agreement that the Credit Union incurs as a result of any dispute involving your accounts or services. You authorize the Credit Union to deduct any such liability, loss, or expense from your account without prior notice to you. In the event either party brings a legal action to enforce the Agreement or collect any overdrawn funds on accounts accessed under this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled, (subject to applicable law), to payment by the other party of its reasonable attorney's fees and costs, including fees on any appeal, bankruptcy proceedings, and any post judgment collection actions, if applicable.

### **28. Governing Law**

This Agreement is governed by the Bylaws of the Credit Union, federal laws and regulations, the laws and regulations of the State of Washington and the state in which you reside, as applicable and local clearinghouse rules, as amended from time to time. Any disputes regarding this Agreement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts in Spokane County or the county in which the member resides if required by law. In the event that any paragraph of this Agreement or any portion thereof is held by a court to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the other paragraphs and portions of this Agreement shall not be invalid or unenforceable and will continue in full force.

### **29. Arbitration and Class Action Waiver Agreement**

**RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES BY ARBITRATION:** THIS AGREEMENT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS AND RELATED ELECTRONIC FINANCIAL SERVICES. IT PROVIDES THAT EITHER YOU OR WE CAN REQUIRE THAT CERTAIN DISPUTES BE RESOLVED BY BINDING ARBITRATION. ARBITRATION REPLACES THE RIGHT TO GO TO COURT, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL AND THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN A CLASS ACTION OR SIMILAR PROCEEDING. IN ARBITRATION, THE DISPUTE IS SUBMITTED TO A NEUTRAL PARTY, AN ARBITRATOR, INSTEAD OF A JUDGE OR JURY. ARBITRATION PROCEDURES MAY BE MORE LIMITED THAN RULES APPLICABLE IN COURT.

**Agreement to Arbitrate Disputes.** Either You or We (Spokane Teachers Credit Union) may elect, without the other's consent, to require that any dispute between us concerning Your Deposit Accounts (share accounts) and the electronic financial services related to your Accounts be resolved by binding arbitration, except for those disputes specifically excluded below. This Arbitration Agreement and any arbitration conducted under it are governed by the Federal Arbitration Act (9 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.) and are not subject to any state law related to arbitration.

**Disputes Covered by Arbitration.** Claims or disputes between you and us arising out of or relating to your Deposit Account(s), transactions involving your Deposit Account(s) and any related electronic financial service with us are subject to arbitration. Electronic financial services include online and mobile account access, bill pay, telephone access, and any other electronic service provided pursuant to our Electronic Funds Transfer Disclosures. Any claims or disputes arising from or relating to this agreement, any prior account agreement between us, any advertising, the application for, or the approval or establishment of your account are also included. Disputes include not only claims made directly by You, but also made by anyone connected with You or claiming through You,

such as a joint account holder, account beneficiary, employee, representative, agent, predecessor or successor, heir, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy. Claims are subject to arbitration, regardless of what theory they are based on or whether they seek legal or equitable remedies. Arbitration applies to any and all such claims or disputes, whether they arose in the past, may currently exist or may arise in the future. All such disputes are referred to in this section as "Claims".

**Disputes Not Covered by Arbitration.** Both You and We have the right to pursue a Claim in state court instead of arbitration for claims related to our collection of any negative balance or amounts you owe us under our Membership and Account Agreement, including but not limited to: fraud, counterfeit items and any unpaid account obligations. This exception applies if the Claim is in that court's jurisdiction and brought on an individual basis. Also, arbitration will not apply to Your Account as long as You are an active duty Service Member. Otherwise, this Agreement to arbitrate will apply without limitation, regardless of whether 1) your account is closed; 2) you pay us in full any outstanding debt you owe; or 3) you file for bankruptcy.

**No Class Action or Joinder of Parties.** YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU AND WE AGREE THAT NO CLASS ACTION, CLASS-WIDE ARBITRATION, PRIVATE ATTORNEY GENERAL ACTION, OR OTHER PROCEEDING WHERE SOMEONE ACTS IN A REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITY, MAY BE PURSUED IN ANY ARBITRATION OR IN ANY COURT PROCEEDING, REGARDLESS OF WHEN THE CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION AROSE OR ACCRUED, OR WHEN THE ALLEGATIONS OR FACTS UNDERLYING THE CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION OCCURRED. Unless you and we both agree, claims of two or more persons may not be joined, consolidated, or otherwise brought together in the same arbitration (unless those persons are joint account holders or beneficiaries on your account and/or related accounts, or parties to a single transaction or related transaction), whether or not the claim may have been assigned.

**Arbitration Procedures.** The arbitration must be filed with the following neutral arbitration forum and must follow its rules and procedures for initiating and pursuing an arbitration:

JAMS  
[www.jamsadr.com](http://www.jamsadr.com)  
1-800-352-5267 (toll-free)

The arbitration shall take place in the federal district in which you reside, or in which you entered into this Agreement. The arbitration shall be decided by a single, neutral arbitrator selected by both parties in accordance with the rules of the arbitration forum. The arbitration shall be administered by JAMS pursuant to its Comprehensive Arbitration Rules and Procedures and pursuant to JAMS' Streamlined Arbitration Rules and Procedures. Judgment on the arbitrator's award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. This Arbitration Agreement does not preclude parties from bringing claims in small claims court or seeking provisional remedies in aid of arbitration from a court of appropriate jurisdiction. You or we may choose to have a hearing, be represented by counsel and conduct discovery. If the claim is brought by You, You will pay no more than \$250 of the filing costs and expenses and the remaining costs are borne by us. If we bring the claim, we pay for all filing fees and costs. Judgment on the arbitration award may be entered by any court of competent jurisdiction. We will not reimburse any fees if the arbitrator determines that your claim or dispute was frivolous or baseless. Each party shall be responsible for its own attorney fees in any arbitration unless the arbitrator awards attorney fees under applicable law or agreement.

**Right to Resort to Provisional Remedies Preserved.** Nothing herein shall be deemed to limit or constrain our right to resort to self-help remedies, such as our federal statutory lien; our right of set-off; the right to restrain funds in an account; to interplead funds in the event of a dispute; to exercise any security interest we may hold in property; to comply with legal process; or to obtain provisional remedies such as injunctive relief, attachment, or garnishment by a court having appropriate jurisdiction; provided, however, that you or we may elect to arbitrate any dispute related to such provisional remedies.

**Right to Reject this Arbitration Agreement.** You have the right to opt out of this Agreement to arbitrate if you tell us within 30 days of your initial Account opening or the receipt of our Notice of Amendment and this Agreement, whichever is later. To opt out, send us written notice including the following information: (i) Your written notice must include: your name, as listed on your account, your account number, and a statement that you reject this Arbitration Agreement, and (ii) You must send Your written notice to Us at the following address: STCU, P.O. Box 1954, Spokane, WA 99210, Attn: Compliance Department.

**Acceptance of Arbitration and Class Action Waiver.** By your receipt of our Notice and a copy of this Binding Arbitration and Class Action Waiver Agreement, your decision not to reject this Agreement and as confirmed by your continued use of your Account, you agree to be bound by the above terms and Disputes Covered by Arbitration provision for all of your Accounts and effective immediately your Accounts will be bound by this Arbitration and Class Action Waiver Agreement.