Adopting Safe Harbor Provisions After Plan Year Begins



Guidelines for New and Existing Plans

NEW PLANS		
Adding Safe Harbor at least 30 days prior to the play year end:		
12/31 plan year end with 1/1/2020 original plan effective date	Original document allows Deferrals but not Safe Harbor - it must be signed on or prior to the date Deferrals are withheld AND at least 1 day prior to the date the amendment is signed	
	Amendment to add Safe Harbor 3% for the 2020 plan year and subsequent plan years - it must be signed on or prior to 12/2/2020 AND at least 1 day after the later of; a) the date the document that allows Deferrals was signed, or b) the date Deferrals are effective	
	The effective date of the amendment to add Safe Harbor is 1/1/2020	
6/30 plan year end with 7/1/2020 original plan effective date	Original document allows Deferrals but not Safe Harbor - it must be signed on or prior to the date Deferrals are withheld AND at least 1 day prior to the date the amendment is signed	
	Amendment to add Safe Harbor 3% for the 2020 plan year and subsequent plan years - it must be signed on or prior to 6/1/2021 AND at least 1 day after the later of; a) the date the document that allows Deferrals was signed, or b) the date Deferrals are effective	
	The effective date of the amendment to add Safe Harbor is 7/1/2020	
Adding Safe Harbor less than 30 days prior to the plan year end and until the plan year end of the following year:		
12/31 plan year end with 1/1/2020 original plan effective date	Original document allows Deferrals but not Safe Harbor - it must be signed on or prior to the date Deferrals are withheld AND at least 1 day prior to the date the amendment is signed	
	Amendment to add Safe Harbor 4% for the 2020 plan year and Safe Harbor 3% for subsequent plan years - it must be signed between 12/3/2020 - 12/31/2021 AND at least 1 day after the later of; a) the date the document that allows Deferrals is signed, or b) the date Deferrals are effective	
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6/30 plan year end with 7/1/2020 original plan effective date	Original document allows Deferrals but not Safe Harbor - it must be signed on or prior to the date Deferrals are withheld AND at least 1 day prior to the date the amendment is signed	
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	The effective date of the amendment to add Safe Harbor is 7/1/2020	

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EXISTING PLANS	
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