The Paycheck Calculator should be used to <u>estimate your final monthly paycheck</u> because it will represent a partial month's payment for 11/1-11/16 or 12 out of 22 work days in November. This calculator should be used as an estimate of pay only and will not necessarily reflect your exact pay.

### **Step by Step Instructions for Monthly Check Calculator:**

• If possible, you should first print or obtain your most recent monthly pay stub. This pay stub will include much of the information needed to complete the paycheck calculator including deductions and allowances.

#### **General Information Section:**

- Choose Tax year 2016.
- Choose Georgia as State.
- Gross Pay for monthly check is calculated by taking annual salary and dividing it by 12 months to get the monthly rate. Monthly gross pay is also available on your most recent paystub.
  - Divide monthly rate by 22 work days to get the daily rate.
  - o Multiply daily rate from above by 12 days (11/1-11/16) to get the November monthly amount.
    - If you are working part-time, multiply November monthly amount by your percent time to obtain your November Gross Pay.
  - o Enter this number in the Gross Pay box.

#### Calculations:

Monthly rate = Annual salary / 12 months

November daily rate = Monthly rate / 22 work days

November monthly amount = November daily rate x 12 days

November gross pay for part time = November monthly amount x percent time

- Choose "per pay period" in drop down box next to Gross Pay.
- Choose Monthly for Pay Frequency.
- Enter the Federal filing status from the Fed Status / Exemptions box on your pay stub. **Keep in mind these** can be different than how you actually file your taxes.

M = Married

S = Single

(Head of household and Supplemental are not options on the W-4)

## \*If you are exempt from Federal tax, check the Federal Tax box on the "I am exempt from" line.

- Enter the # of Federal Allowances from the Fed Status / Exemptions box on your pay stub.
  - o For instance, "M 04" is a filing status of Married with 4 allowances.
- Enter the Additional Federal Withholding (if any) from of your Flat Federal tax deduction amount in the Deductions box at the bottom of your pay stub.
- Enter No for Round Federal Withholding.
- On the "I am exempt from" line:
  - Only choose Federal if you claimed exempt on your W-4 and have no federal tax withheld.
  - Only choose FICA if you are a retiree/rehire.
  - o DO NOT choose Medicare.

## **State and Local Information:**

- Enter the State filing status from the State Status / Exemptions box on your pay stub. This will be a single letter as noted below. **Keep in mind these can be different than how you actually file your taxes.** 
  - "S" on paystub = Single
  - "B" on paystub = Married Filing Joint, both spouses working
  - "J" on paystub = Married Filing Joint, one spouse working
  - "M" on paystub = Married Filing separate
  - "H" on paystub = Head of Household
  - "N/A" on paystub = Exempt
- Enter the # of Personal Allowances. This is the 1st number in the State Status / Exemptions box on the pay stub.
- Enter the # of Dependent Allowances. This is the 2nd number in the State Status / Exemptions box on the pay stub.
  - o For instance, "J 02 02" is married filing joint with 2 personal and 2 dependent allowances.
- Enter the Additional State Withholding (if any) from your Flat State tax deduction amount in the Deductions box at the bottom of your pay stub.

## **Voluntary Deduction Section:**

- Count the number of deductions on your pay stub other than Fed, State or FICA taxes, and enter that
  number in voluntary deductions for my paycheck box. You will not have to enter the tax (Federal and
  State of Georgia) or FICA as those items are automatically calculated. You may also not have all of the
  categories of deductions listed below.
- For each deduction in this section you will enter:
  - o Deduction name
  - Deduction amount & exemptions For more information on each category, refer to the category list on the grid below

<u>Category 1</u>: Enter percent of type of retirement (6% for TRS/ORP; 1.5% for ERS) and choose % of gross pay from drop down list. *Federal & State exemption boxes should be checked.* 

<u>Category 2</u>: Enter the current amount from monthly pay stub and choose \$ Fixed Amt from drop down box. *Federal, FICA & State exemptions should be checked.* 

<u>Category 3</u>: Enter amount of pre-tax parking deduction from monthly pay stub for calculation of 2<sup>nd</sup> pay check and choose \$ Fixed Amt from drop down box. *Federal, FICA & State exemptions should be checked.* 

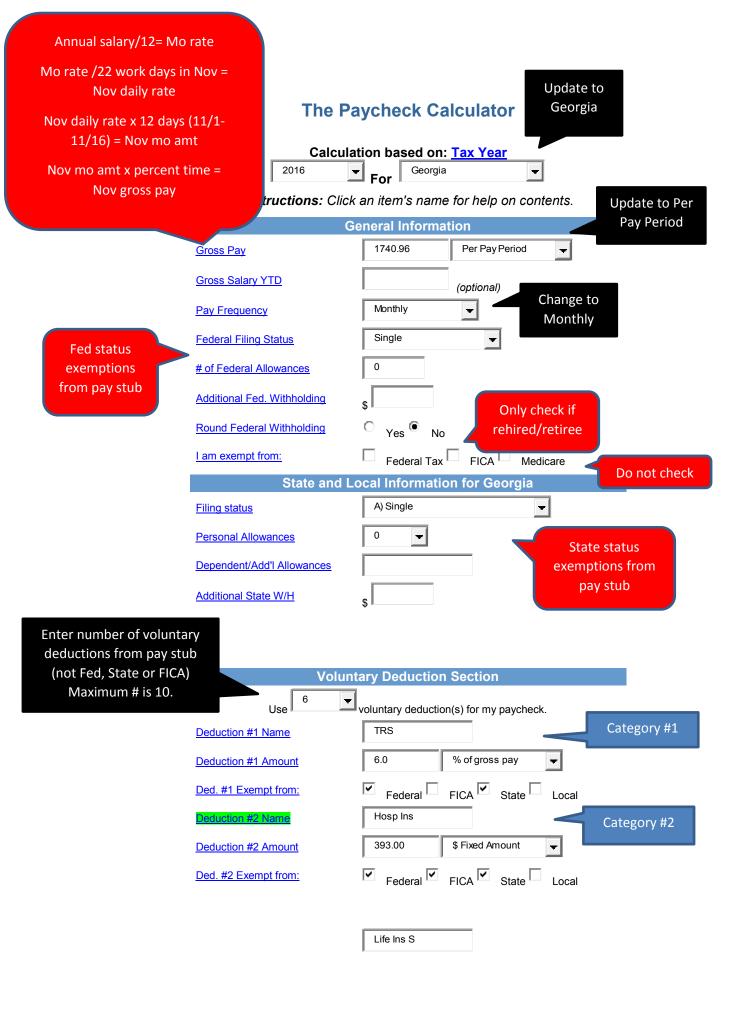
<u>Category 4</u>: Enter the current amount from monthly pay stub and choose \$ Fixed Amt from drop down box. *Federal & State exemption boxes should be checked.* 

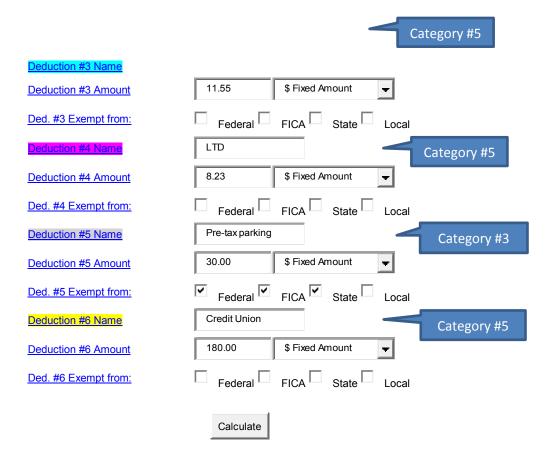
<u>Category 5</u>: Enter the current amount from monthly pay stub and choose \$ Fixed Amt from drop down box. *No exemption boxes should be checked.* 

<u>Category 6</u>: Enter the current amount from monthly pay stub calculation of 2<sup>nd</sup> pay check and choose \$ Fixed Amt from drop down box. *No exemption boxes should be checked.* 

| Deduction<br>Category | Deductions included in category  | Check that<br>deduction is<br>taken from | 1/2 of monthly<br>amt, full amt or<br>% of gross pay | Exemptions        |
|-----------------------|--|--|--|-------------------|
| 1                     | TRS 6%, ORP 6%, ERS 1.5%   | all checks                               | % of gross pay                                       | Fed & State       |
| 2                     | Health Ins, Grad stud ins,<br>Dental ins, Vision ins, Dep Care,<br>Flex Spending, HSA, Rent (COE)  | all checks                               | full amt   | Fed, FICA & State |
| 3                     | Pre-tax Parking  | all checks                               | full amt   | Fed, FICA, State  |
| 4                     | 403B / 457B  | all checks                               | full amt   | Fed & State       |
| 5                     | Roth 403B/457B, LTD, STD, AD&D, Life Ins (NOT Basic Life), Pers Acc Ins, Critical III Ins, Cancer Ins, Long term/Comp Care, Credit Union, UGA Found/Alumni, Childcare Ctr, Tax Levy, Garnish, Bankuptcy, Child Support, Golf Fees, Post- tax parking | all checks                               | full amt   | no exemptions     |
| 6                     | Ramsey Ctr, Fac/Staff food serv,<br>Bulldog Bucks, Charity   | all checks                               | full amt   | no exemptions     |

- After all voluntary deductions have been entered, click calculate button.
- Check gross pay, deductions and net pay amounts to make sure they look reasonable and match what was entered above. Keep in mind this calculator will only estimate your net pay and the estimate will only be reasonable if the information entered in the calculator is 100% accurate.





# **The Paycheck Calculator**

| Your Pay Check F    | Results    | Calculation Base        | ed On      |
|---------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Monthly Gross Pay   | \$1,740.96 | Tax Year                | 2016       |
| Federal Withholding | \$115.25   | Gross Pay               | \$1,740.96 |
| Social Security     | \$81.71    | Pay Frequency           | Monthly    |
| Medicare            | \$19.11    | Federal Filing Status   | Single     |
| Georgia             | \$45.48    | # of Federal Exemptions | 0          |
| TRS                 | \$104.46   | Additional Federal W/H  | \$0.00     |
| Hosp Ins            | \$393.00   | State                   | Georgia    |
| Life Ins            | \$11.55    | Filing status           | A) Single  |
| LTD                 | \$8.23     | Dep./Add'l Allowances   | 0          |
| Pre-tax parking     | \$30.00    | Personal Allowances     | 0          |
| Credit Union        | \$180.00   | Additional State W/H    | \$0.00     |
|                     |            | TRS                     | 6.0%       |
| Net Pay             | \$752.17   | Hosp Ins                | \$393.00   |
| •                   |            | Life Ins                | \$11.55    |
|                     |            | LTD                     | \$8.23     |
|                     |            | Pre-tax parking         | \$30.00    |
|                     |            | Credit Union            | \$180.00   |
| New Calculation     |            | Print Options           | ]          |

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