



What You Need to Know about Overdrafts and Overdraft Fees

An overdraft occurs when you do not have available funds in your account to cover a transaction, but we pay it anyway.

Firefighters First offers three types of protection options to make sure you are covered.

1. We provide **Overdraft Protection** that is included at no additional cost with your checking account. We provide funds transfer options from your personal accounts with Firefighters First. You may also use a **Line of Credit and Credit Card Transfers**, which require credit approval and may be less expensive than our fee-based programs.
2. We provide a **Premium Overdraft** program that will cover your overdrafts and you are charged a fee for each item we pay. See details below.
3. We also offer **Premium Overdraft Plus** which is an additional level of overdraft protection. In order to take advantage of this program, you must request to **Opt-In** by completing this form.

To learn more, ask us about these options.

The standard overdraft practice (Premium Overdraft) that comes with your account:

We **will ONLY** authorize and pay overdrafts for the following types of transactions:

- Checks, ACH, and other transactions made using your checking account number
- Automatic bill payments

We **will NOT** authorize and pay overdrafts for the following types of transactions unless you ask us to:

- ATM Transactions
- Debit Card Transactions

We pay overdrafts at our discretion, which means we **do not guarantee** that we will always authorize and pay any type of transaction.

If we **do not** authorize and pay an overdraft, your transaction will be declined.

What fees will I be charged if Firefighters First pays my overdrafts?

- **Premium Overdraft** -We will charge you a fee of \$25 each time we pay an item.
- **Premium Overdraft Plus** - We will charge you a fee of \$25 for each item we pay over \$25.
- There is **no limit** on the total fees we can charge you for overdrawing your account.

Premium Overdraft Plus provides extended protection authorizing Firefighters First to pay overdrafts on your ATM and everyday debit card transactions:

If you would like to authorize us to pay overdrafts on one-time debit card transactions, you may opt-in for our **Premium Overdraft Plus** service. Simply complete the form below and take it to one of our branches, mail it to PO Box 60890, Los Angeles, CA 90060, email it to opsfax@firefirstcu.org, or fax it to (323) 550-2287. You can also log into online banking, under "Account Settings" and complete the Premium Overdraft Plus form. Please retain a copy for your records. You can opt-out of **Premium Overdraft Plus** at any time.



Premium Overdraft Plus Authorization Form

- I WANT** Firefighters First Credit Union to authorize and pay overdrafts on my ATM and everyday debit card transactions. I understand that I can opt out at any time.
- I DO NOT WANT** Firefighters First Credit Union to authorize and pay overdrafts on my ATM and everyday debit card transactions.

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Member Number: _____

***If there are specific accounts that you do not wish to have covered by the Premium Overdraft Plus program, please call a credit union representative at (800) 231-1626.**