

# MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT AND DISCLOSURES

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Privacy Disclosure  
Membership and Account Agreement  
Funds Availability Policy Disclosure  
Electronic Fund Transfers Agreement & Disclosure



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## FACTS

### WHAT DOES GEORGIA'S OWN CREDIT UNION DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?

#### Why?

Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.

#### What?

The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:

- Social Security number and account transactions
- credit card or other debt and overdraft history
- payment history and transaction history

When you are *no longer* our member, we continue to share your information as described in this notice.

#### How?

All financial companies need to share members' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their members' personal information; the reasons Georgia's Own Credit Union chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information	Does Georgia's Own Credit Union share?	Can you limit this sharing?
<b>For our everyday business purposes –</b> such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or to report to credit bureaus	Yes	No
<b>For our marketing purposes –</b> to offer our products and services to you	Yes	No
<b>For joint marketing with other financial companies</b>	Yes	No
<b>For our affiliates' everyday business purposes –</b> information about your transactions and experiences	No	We don't share
<b>For our affiliates' everyday business purposes –</b> information about your creditworthiness	No	We don't share
<b>For nonaffiliates to market to you</b>	No	We don't share

#### Questions?

Call toll-free (800) 533-2062 or go to [www.georgiasown.org](http://www.georgiasown.org)

**What we do**

<b>How does Georgia's Own Credit Union protect my personal information?</b>	To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings.
<b>How does Georgia's Own Credit Union collect my personal information?</b>	<p>We collect your personal information, for example, when you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ open an account or pay your bills</li> <li>▪ provide employment information or apply for financing</li> <li>▪ give us your contact information</li> </ul> <p>We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.</p>
<b>Why can't I limit all sharing?</b>	<p>Federal law gives you the right to limit only</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes – information about your creditworthiness</li> <li>▪ affiliates from using your information to market to you</li> <li>▪ sharing for nonaffiliates to market to you</li> </ul> <p>State law and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.</p>

**Definitions**

<b>Affiliates</b>	<p>Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Georgia's Own Credit Union has no affiliates.</i></li> </ul>
<b>Nonaffiliates</b>	<p>Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Georgia's Own Credit Union does not share with our nonaffiliates so they can market to you.</i></li> </ul>
<b>Joint Marketing</b>	<p>A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Our joint marketing partners include financial advisors, insurance companies and investment companies.</i></li> </ul>

**Other important information**

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# MEMBERSHIP AND ACCOUNT AGREEMENT

This Agreement covers your rights and responsibilities concerning your accounts and the rights and responsibilities of the Credit Union providing this Agreement (Credit Union). In this Agreement, the words "you," "your," and "yours" mean anyone who signs an Account Card, Account Change Card, or any other account opening document (Account Card), or for whom membership and/or service requests are approved through the Credit Union's online application and authentication process. The words "we," "us," and "our" mean the Credit Union. The word "account" means any one or more share or deposit accounts you have with the Credit Union.

Your account type(s) and ownership features are designated by you on your Account Card or through the Credit Union's online application and authentication process. By signing an Account Card or authenticating your request, each of you, jointly and severally, agree to the terms and conditions in this Agreement, and any Account Card, Funds Availability Policy Disclosure, Truth-in-Savings Disclosure, Electronic Fund Transfers Agreement and Disclosure, Privacy Disclosure, or Account Receipt accompanying this Agreement, the Credit Union Bylaws or Code of Regulations (Bylaws), Credit Union policies, and any amendments made to these documents from time to time that collectively govern your membership, accounts and services.

**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 identifies each person who opens an account.

What this means for you: When you open an account, we will ask for your name, address, date of birth, if applicable, and other information that will allow us to identify you. We may also ask to see your driver's license or other identifying documents.

**1. MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY** - To join the Credit Union, you must meet the membership requirements, including purchase and maintenance of the minimum required share(s) (hereinafter membership share) and/or paying a membership fee as set forth in the Credit Union's bylaws. You authorize us to check your account, credit and employment history, and obtain reports from third parties, including credit reporting agencies, to verify your eligibility for the accounts, products and services you request and for other accounts, products, or services we may offer you or for which you may qualify. If you are eligible for membership through a family member, you authorize the Credit Union to verify your eligibility for membership with your qualifying member.

**2. INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS** - An individual account is an account owned by one member who has qualified for credit union membership. If the account owner dies, the interest passes, subject to applicable law, to the account owner's estate or Payable on Death (POD) beneficiary/payee or trust beneficiary, subject to other provisions of this Agreement governing our protection for honoring transfer and withdrawal requests of an owner or owner's agent prior to notice of an owner's death, any security interest or pledge granted by the account owner, and our statutory lien rights.

**3. MULTIPLE PARTY ACCOUNTS** - A joint account is an account owned by two or more persons.

**a. Rights of Survivorship.** Unless otherwise stated on the Account Card or documented through the Credit Union's online application and authentication process, a joint account includes rights of survivorship. This means that when one owner dies, all sums in the account will pass to the surviving owner(s). For a joint account without rights of survivorship, the deceased owner's interest passes to his or her estate. A surviving owner's interest is subject to the Credit Union's statutory lien for the deceased owner's obligations and to any security interest or pledge granted by a deceased owner, even if a surviving owner did not consent to it. The Credit Union, upon proof of death, will remove the decedent owner from all active checking accounts as a courtesy in an effort to lessen interruption of recurring items unless the surviving owner(s) proactively request(s) otherwise.

**b. Control of Multiple Party Accounts.** Any owner is authorized and deemed to act for any other owner(s) and may instruct us regarding transactions and other account matters. Each owner guarantees the signature or authenticated request of any other owner(s). Any owner may withdraw or transfer funds, pledge to us all or any part of the shares, or stop payment on items without the consent of the other owner(s). We have no duty to notify any owner(s) about any transaction. We reserve the right to require written consent of all owners for any change to or termination of an account. If we receive written notice of a dispute between owners or inconsistent instructions from them, we may suspend or terminate the account and require a court order or written consent from all owners in order to act.

**c. Multiple Party Account Owner Liability.** If an item deposited in a multiple party account is returned unpaid, a multiple party account is overdrawn, or if we do not receive final payment on a transaction, the owners, jointly and severally, are liable to us for any returned item, overdraft, or unpaid amount and for any related fees and charges, regardless of who initiated or benefited from the transaction. If any account owner is indebted to us, we may enforce our rights against any account of the indebted owner, including all funds in the multiple party account, regardless of who contributed the funds.

**4. POD/TRUST ACCOUNT DESIGNATIONS** - A Payable on Death (POD) account or trust account designation is an instruction to the Credit Union that an individual or multiple party account so designated is payable to the owner(s) during his, her, or their lifetimes and, when the last account owner dies, is payable to all surviving POD or trust beneficiaries/payees. Unless state law provides for different ownership or as permitted and documented by us, the beneficiaries/payees will own the funds jointly in equal shares without rights of survivorship when there is more than one surviving beneficiary/payee. Any POD or trust beneficiary/payee designation shall not apply to Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs). We are not obligated to notify any beneficiary/payee of the existence of any account nor the vesting of the beneficiary/payee's interest in any account, except as otherwise provided by law. This paragraph does not apply to an account held on behalf of or in the name of a trust.

**5. ACCOUNTS FOR MINORS** - We may require any account established by a minor to be a joint account with an owner who has reached the age of majority under state law and who shall be jointly and severally liable to us for any returned item, overdraft, or unpaid amount on such account and for any related fees and charges. We may pay funds directly to the minor without regard to his or her minority. Unless a guardian or parent is an account owner, the guardian or parent shall not have any account access rights. We have no duty to inquire about the use or purpose of any transaction except as required by applicable law. We will not change the account status when the minor reaches the age of majority unless the change is authorized in writing by all account owners.

**6. UNIFORM TRANSFERS/GIFTS TO MINORS ACCOUNT** - A Uniform Transfers/Gifts to Minors Account (UTMA/UGMA) is an individual account created by a custodian who deposits funds as an irrevocable gift to a minor. The minor to whom the gift is made is the beneficiary of the custodial property in the account. The custodian has possession and control of the account for the exclusive right and benefit of the minor and, barring a court order otherwise, is the only party authorized to make deposits, withdrawals, or close the account. We have no duty to inquire about the use or purpose of any transaction except as required by applicable law. If the custodian dies, we may suspend the account until we receive instructions from any person authorized by law to withdraw funds or a court order authorizing withdrawals.

**7. AGENCY DESIGNATION ON AN ACCOUNT** - An agency designation on an account is an instruction to us that the owner authorizes another person to make transactions as agent for the account owner regarding the accounts designated. An agent has no ownership interest in the account(s) or credit union voting rights. We have no duty to inquire about the use or purpose of any transaction made by the agent except as required by applicable law.

**8. DEPOSIT OF FUNDS REQUIREMENTS** - Funds may be deposited to any account, in any manner approved by the Credit Union in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Truth-in-Savings Disclosure. Deposits made by mail, at night depositories, or at unstaffed facilities are not our responsibility until we receive them. We reserve the right to refuse or to return any deposit.

**a. Endorsements.** We may accept transfers, checks, drafts, and other items for deposit into any of your accounts if they are made payable to, or to the order of, one or more account owners even if they are not endorsed by all payees. You authorize us to supply missing endorsements of any owners if we choose. If a check, draft, or item that is payable to two or more persons is ambiguous as to whether it is payable to either or both, we may process the check, draft, or item as though it is payable to either person. If an insurance, government, or other check or draft requires an endorsement, we may require endorsement as set forth on the item. Endorsements must be made on the back of the check or draft within 1½ inches of the top edge, although we may accept endorsements outside this space. However, any loss we incur from a delay or processing error resulting from an irregular endorsement or other markings by you or any prior endorser will be your responsibility. If we offer a remote deposit capture service and you have been approved to use the service to make deposits to your account, you agree that, prior to transmitting check or draft images, you will restrictively endorse each original check or draft in accordance with any other agreement with us that governs this service.

**b. Collection of Items.** We act only as your agent and we are not responsible for handling items for deposit or collection beyond the exercise of ordinary care. We are not liable for the loss of an item in transit or the negligence of any correspondent. Each correspondent will only be liable for its own negligence. We may send any item for collection. Items drawn on an institution located outside the United States are handled on a collection basis only. You waive any notice of nonpayment, dishonor, or protest regarding items we purchase or receive for credit or collection to your account. We reserve the right to pursue collection of previously dishonored items at any time, including giving a payor financial institution extra time beyond any midnight deadline limits.

**c. Restrictive Legends.** Some checks and drafts contain restrictive legends or similar limitations on the front of the item. Examples of restrictive legends include "two signatures required," "void after 60 days," and "not valid over \$500.00." We are not liable for payment of any check or draft contrary to a restrictive legend or other limitation contained in or on the item unless we have specifically agreed in writing to the restriction or limitation.

**d. Final Payment.** All checks, drafts, automated clearinghouse (ACH) transfers or other items credited to your account are provisional until we receive final payment. If final payment is not received, we may charge your account for the amount of such items and impose a returned item fee on your account. Any collection fees we incur may be charged to your account. We reserve the right to refuse or return any item or fund 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.

**e. Direct Deposits.** We may offer direct deposit services, including preauthorized deposits (e.g., payroll checks, Social Security or retirement checks, or other government checks) or preauthorized transfers from other accounts. You must authorize direct deposits or preauthorized transfers by completing a separate authorization document. You must notify us if you wish to cancel or change a direct deposit or preauthorized transfer. Any cancellation or change will become effective once we receive notice from you and have a reasonable period of time to act on your request. If your account is overdrawn, you authorize us to deduct the amount your account is overdrawn from any deposit, including deposits of government payments or benefits. If we are required to reimburse the U.S. Government for any benefit payment directly deposited into your account, we may deduct the amount returned from any of your accounts, unless prohibited by law.

**f. Crediting of Deposits.** Deposits made after the deposit cutoff time and deposits made on either holidays or days that are not our business days will be credited to your account on the next business day. 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 on an institution located outside the United States are handled on a collection basis only. Amounts will be credited to your account when the Credit Union receives 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.** Your signature on the Account Form, or authentication and approval of your account, authorizes your account access. We will not be liable for refusing to honor any item or instruction if we believe the signature is not genuine. If you have authorized the use of a facsimile signature, we may honor any check or draft that appears to bear your facsimile signature, even if it was made by an unauthorized person. You authorize us to honor transactions initiated by a third person to whom you have given your account information, even if you do not authorize a particular transaction.

**b. Access Options.** You may withdraw or transfer funds from your account(s) in any manner we permit (e.g., at an automated teller machine, in person, by mail, Internet access, automatic transfer, or telephone, as applicable). If we accept any check or draft that is not drawn on a form provided by us, you will be responsible for any loss incurred by us for handling the check or draft. We may return as unpaid any check or draft drawn on a form we do not provide, and you are responsible for any loss we incur handling such a check or draft. Any losses, expenses, or fees resulting from or imposed due to handling such a check or draft will be charged to your account. The Credit Union has the right to review and approve any form of a power of attorney and may restrict account withdrawals or transfers. The Credit Union is under no obligation to honor any power of attorney which we reasonably conclude is invalid, or unreliable or has been revoked.

**c. Credit Union Examination.** We may disregard any information on any check or draft other than the signature of the drawer, the amount of the item, and any magnetic encoding. You agree that we do not fail to exercise ordinary care in paying an item solely because our procedures do not provide for sight examination of items.

**10. FUND TRANSFERS** - Fund transfers we permit that are subject to Article 4A of the Uniform Commercial Code, such as wire transfers, will be subject to such provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code as enacted by the state where the main office of the Credit Union is located, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement. ACH transfers are subject to rules of the National Automated Clearinghouse Association (Nacha). We may execute certain requests for fund transfers by Fedwire which are subject to the Federal Reserve Board's Regulation J.

**a. Authorization for Transfers/Debiting of Accounts.** You may make or order fund transfers to or from your account. We will debit your account for the amount of a fund transfer from your account and will charge your account for any fees related to the transfer.

**b. Right to Refuse to Make Transfers/Limitation of Liability.** Unless we agree otherwise in writing, we reserve the right to refuse to execute any payment order to transfer funds to or from your account. We are not obligated to execute any payment order to transfer funds out of your account if the amount of the requested transfer plus applicable fees exceeds the available balance in your account. We are not liable for errors, delays, interruptions or transmission failures caused by third parties or circumstances beyond our control including mechanical, electronic or equipment failure. In addition, we will not be liable for consequential, special, punitive or indirect loss or damage you may incur in connection with fund transfers to or from your account.

**c. No Notice Required.** We will not provide you with notice when fund transfers are credited to your account. You will receive notice of such credits on your account statements. You may contact us to determine whether a payment has been received.

**d. Interest Payments.** If we fail to properly execute a payment order and such action results in a delay in payment to you, we will pay you dividends or interest, whichever applies to your account, for the period of delay as required by applicable law. You agree that the dividend or interest rate paid to you will be based on the lowest nominal dividend or interest rate we were paying on any account during that period.

**e. Provisional Credit for ACH Transactions.** We may provisionally credit your account for an ACH transfer before we receive final settlement. If we do not receive final settlement, we may reverse the provisional credit or require you to refund us the amount provisionally credited to your account, and the party originating the transfer will not be considered to have paid you.

**f. Payment Order Processing and Cut-off Times.** Payment orders we accept will be executed within a reasonable time of receipt. Unless we have agreed otherwise in writing, a payment order may not necessarily be executed on the date it is received or on a particular date you specify. Cut-off times may apply to the receipt, execution and processing of fund transfers, payment orders, cancellations, and amendments. Fund transfers, payment orders, cancellations, and amendments received after a cut-off time may be treated as having been received on the next fund transfer business day. Information about any cut-off times is available upon request. From time to time, we may need to temporarily suspend processing of a transaction for greater scrutiny or verification in accordance with applicable law. This action may affect settlement or availability of the transaction.

**g. Identifying Information.** If your payment order identifies the recipient and any financial institution by name and account or other identifying number, the Credit Union and any other financial institutions facilitating the transfer may rely strictly on the account or other identifying number, even if the number identifies a different person or financial institution.

**h. Amendments and Cancellations of Payment Orders.** Any account owner may amend or cancel a payment order regardless of whether that person initiated the order. We may refuse requests to amend or cancel a payment order that we believe will expose the Credit Union to liability or loss. Any request to amend or cancel a payment order that we accept will be processed within a reasonable time after it is received. You agree to hold us harmless from and indemnify us for all losses and expenses resulting from any actual or attempted amendment or cancellation of a payment order.

**i. Security Procedures.** We may require you to follow a security procedure to execute, amend or cancel a payment order so that we may verify the authenticity of the order, amendment or cancellation. You agree that the security procedure established by separate agreement between you and the Credit Union is commercially reasonable. If you refuse to follow a commercially reasonable security procedure that we offer, you agree to be bound by any payment order, whether authorized or not, that is issued in your name and accepted by us in good faith in accordance with the security procedure you choose.

**j. Duty to Report Unauthorized or Erroneous Fund Transfers.** You must exercise ordinary care to identify and report unauthorized or erroneous fund transfers on your account. You agree that you will review your account(s) and periodic statement(s). You further agree you will notify us of any unauthorized or erroneous transfers within the time frames described in the "Statements" section of this Agreement.

**k. Recording Requests.** You agree and consent to recording, whether audio or video, payment order, amendment and cancellation requests as permitted by applicable law.

**l. Remittance Transfers.** A "remittance transfer" is an electronic transfer of funds of more than \$15.00 which is requested by a sender and sent to a designated recipient in a foreign country by a remittance transfer provider. If we act as a remittance transfer provider and conduct a remittance transfer(s) on your behalf, the transaction(s) will be governed by 12 C.F.R. part 1005, subpart B - Requirements for remittance transfers. Terms applicable to such transactions may vary from those disclosed herein and will be disclosed to you at the time such services are requested and rendered in accordance with applicable law.

**11. ACCOUNT RATES AND FEES** - We pay account earnings and assess fees against your account as set forth in the Truth-in-Savings Disclosure and Truth in Savings Fee Schedule. We may change the Truth-in-Savings Disclosure or Truth in Savings Fee Schedule at any time and will notify you as required by law. It is the policy of the Credit Union on Savings and Checking Accounts for accrued earnings to be forfeited by you if you close your account prior to the time earnings are credited to the account.

## **12. TRANSACTION LIMITATIONS**

**a. Withdrawal Restrictions.** We will pay checks or drafts, permit withdrawals, and make transfers from the available balance in your account. The availability of funds in your account may be delayed as described in our Funds Availability Policy Disclosure. We may also pay checks or drafts, permit withdrawals, and make transfers when you have an insufficient available balance in your account if you have established an overdraft protection plan or, if you do not have such a plan with us, in accordance with our overdraft payment policy.

We may refuse to allow a withdrawal in some situations and will advise you accordingly if, for example: (1) there is a dispute between account owners (unless a court has ordered the Credit Union to allow the withdrawal); (2) a legal garnishment or attachment is served; (3) the account secures any obligation to us; (4) required documentation has not been presented; or (5) you fail to repay a credit union loan on time. We may require you to give written notice of 7 to 60 days before any intended withdrawals.

**b. Transfer Limitations.** We may limit the dollar amount or the number of transfers from your account. Please consult your Truth-in-Savings Disclosure or your Electronic Fund Transfers Agreement and Disclosure.

**13. CERTIFICATE ACCOUNTS** - Any term share, share certificate, time deposit or certificate of deposit account (certificate account), whichever we offer as allowed by applicable federal or state law, is subject to the terms of this Agreement, the Truth-in-Savings Disclosure, the Account Receipt for each account, and any other documents we provide for the account, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference.

## 14. OVERDRAFTS

**a. Payment of Overdrafts.** If, on any day, the available balance in your share or deposit account is not sufficient to pay the full amount of a check, draft, transaction, or other item, plus any applicable fee, that is posted to your account, we may return the item or pay it. If the decision at the time of presentment is to return the item, the Credit Union may choose to delay final decision to return or pay the item one business day to allow for additional deposits that could bring sufficient funds to the account to pay the item and applicable fees (referred to as "repass"). The option to return the item, pay it or repass it, is described further herein. The Credit Union's determination of an insufficient available 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. We do not have to notify you if your account does not have a sufficient available balance in order to pay an item. Your account may be subject to a fee for each item regardless of whether we return or pay the item, including when we repass the item prior to paying or returning it. We may charge a fee each time an item is submitted or resubmitted for payment; therefore, you may be assessed more than one fee as a result of a returned item and resubmission(s) of the returned item. In the case of repass, we will only charge one fee per presentation of an item, regardless of whether the item is paid or returned. However, if after repass the item is returned and that returned item is later resubmitted, we may charge a fee after resubmission pursuant to the terms herein.

If we offer standard overdraft services, this service allows us to authorize payment for the following types of transactions regardless of whether your share or deposit account has sufficient funds: (1) share drafts/checks and other transactions made using your checking account, except as otherwise described below; (2) automatic bill payments; (3) and ACH transactions. For ATM and one-time debit card transactions, you must affirmatively consent to such coverage. Without your consent, the Credit Union may not authorize and pay an ATM or one-time debit card transaction that will result in insufficient funds in your account. If you have established a service linking your share or deposit account with other individual or joint accounts, you authorize us to transfer funds from another account of yours to cover an insufficient item, including transfers from a share or deposit account, an overdraft line-of-credit account, or other account you so designate. Services and fees for these transactions are shown in the document the Credit Union uses to capture your affirmative consent and the Truth-in-Savings Fee Schedule.

Except as otherwise agreed in writing, if we exercise our right to use our discretion to pay such items that result in an insufficiency of funds in your account or we exercise our right to repass an item, we do not agree to pay or to repass them in the future and may discontinue coverage at any time without notice. If we pay these items or impose a fee that results in insufficient funds in your account, you agree to pay the insufficient amount, including the fee assessed by us, in accordance with our standard overdraft services or any other service you may have authorized with us or, if you do not have such protections with us, in accordance with any overdraft payment policy we have, as applicable.

**b. How Transactions are Posted to Your Account.** Basically, there are two types of transactions that affect your account: credits (deposits of money into your account) and debits (payments out of your account). It is important to understand how each is applied to your account so that you know how much money you have and how much is available to you at any given time. This section explains generally how and when we post transactions to your account.

**Credits.** Deposits are generally added to your account when we receive them. However, in some cases when you deposit a check, the full amount of the deposit may not be available to you at the time of deposit. Please refer to the Funds Availability Policy Disclosure for details regarding the timing and availability of funds from deposits.

**Debits.** There are several types of debit transactions. Common debit transactions are generally described below. Keep in mind that there are many ways transactions are presented for payment by merchants, and we are not necessarily in control of when transactions are received.

- **Checks.** When you write a check, it is processed through the Federal Reserve system. We receive data files of cashed checks from the Federal Reserve each day. The checks drawn on your account are compiled from these data files and paid each day. We process the payments from low to high dollar value.
- **ACH Payments.** We receive data files every day from the Federal Reserve with Automated Clearing House (ACH) transactions. These include, for example, automatic bill payments you have authorized. ACH transactions for your account are posted throughout the day from low to high dollar value.
- **PIN-Based Debit Card Purchase Transactions.** These are purchase transactions using your debit card for which a merchant may require you to enter your personal identification number (PIN) at the time of sale. They are processed through a PIN debit network. These transactions are similar to ATM withdrawal transactions because the money is usually deducted from your account immediately at the time of the transaction. However, depending on the merchant, a PIN-based transaction may not be immediately presented for payment.
- **Signature-Based Debit Card Purchase Transactions.** These are purchase transactions using your debit card that are processed through a signature-based network. Rather than entering a PIN, you typically sign for the purchase; however, merchants may not require your signature for certain transactions. Merchants may seek authorization for these types of transactions. The authorization request places a hold on funds in your account when the authorization is completed. This is referred to as an "authorization hold". An authorization hold will reduce your available balance by the amount authorized but will not affect your actual balance. The transaction is subsequently processed by the merchant and submitted to us for payment. This can happen hours or sometimes days after the transaction, depending on the merchant and its payment processor. These payment requests are received in real time throughout the day and are posted to your account when they are received.

The amount of an authorization hold may differ from the actual payment because the final transaction amount may not yet be known to the merchant when you present your card for payment. For example, if you use your debit card at a restaurant, a hold will be placed in an amount equal to the bill presented to you; but when the transaction posts, it will include any tip that you may have added to the bill. This may also be the case where you present your debit card for payment at gas stations, hotels and certain other retail establishments. We cannot control how much a merchant asks us to authorize, or when a merchant submits a transaction for payment.

For debit card transactions involving merchant authorization holds, there may be a delay between the hold being applied and the transaction posting to your account. During the delay, intervening transactions may impact the available balance in your account. It is important to keep in mind that we check your available balance both at the time the merchant's authorization request is received and again when the transaction settles and posts to your account. If your available balance is insufficient to cover the amount of the merchant's authorization request, we will decline the request. If your available balance is sufficient to cover the merchant's authorization request, the request will be approved, and an authorization hold in the amount of the request will be placed on your account. The transaction will be subsequently processed by the merchant and submitted to us for payment. If the transaction settles and posts to your account at a time when the available balance is insufficient to pay the transaction without causing an overdraft (i.e., posting the transaction results in an available balance of less than \$0), we will charge you a fee for overdrawing your account, even though the available balance in your account was sufficient to cover the transaction at the time it was authorized.

The following example illustrates how this works:

Assume your actual and available balances are both \$40, and you use your debit card at a restaurant to pay your bill totaling \$30. If the restaurant requests authorization in the amount of \$30, an authorization hold is placed on \$30 in your account. Your available balance is only \$10, but the actual balance remains \$40. Before the restaurant charge is sent to us for payment, a check that you wrote for \$40 is presented for payment. Because your available balance is only \$10 due to the \$30 authorization hold, your account will be overdrawn by \$30 when the check transaction is posted to your account even though your actual balance is \$40. In this example, if we pay the \$40 check in accordance with our standard overdraft services, we will charge you a fee for overdrawing your account as disclosed in the Schedule of Fees and Charges. The fee will also be deducted from your account, further increasing the overdrawn amount. In addition, when the restaurant charge is finally submitted to us for payment, we will release the authorization hold and pay the transaction amount to the restaurant. The transaction amount may be \$30 or a different amount (for example, if you added a tip). Because the amount of the restaurant charge exceeds your available balance at the time the charge is settled (i.e., at the time the merchant or its financial institution requests payment or the transaction posts to your account), we will charge you another fee for overdrawing your account, even though you had a sufficient available balance in your account at the time the restaurant charge was authorized and approved.

This is a general description of certain types of transactions. These practices may change, and we reserve the right to pay items in any order we choose as permitted by law.

**c. Understanding Your Account Balance.** Your account has two kinds of balances: the actual balance and the available balance. Your actual balance reflects the full amount of all deposits to your account as well as payment transactions that have been posted to your account. It does not reflect checks you have written and are still outstanding or transactions that have been authorized but are still pending. Your available balance is the amount of money in your account that is available for you to use. Your available balance is your actual balance less: (1) holds placed on deposits; (2) holds on debit card or other transactions that have been authorized but are not yet posted; and (3) any other holds, such as holds related to pledges of account funds and minimum balance requirements or to comply with court orders. We use your available balance to determine whether there are sufficient funds in your account to pay items, including checks and drafts, as well as ACH, debit card and other electronic transactions. Pending transactions and holds placed on your account may reduce your available balance and may cause your account to become overdrawn regardless of your actual balance. In such cases, subsequent posting of the pending transactions may further overdraw your account and be subject to additional fees. You should assume that any item which would overdraw your account based on your available balance may create an overdraft. For additional clarity please see the Overdraft Services Disclosure. You may check your available balance online at [www.georgiasown.org](http://www.georgiasown.org), at an ATM, by visiting a credit union branch or by calling us at 404.874.1166.

**d. Impact of Holds.** Sometimes funds in your account are not available to cover your checks and other items. When we determine that funds in your account are subject to a hold, dispute, or legal process, then these funds are not available to cover your checks and other items. We usually make this determination once at the end of the day when we process items. As examples of holds, holds include deposit holds, holds related to cash withdrawals, and authorization holds we place on the account for debit card transactions.

Debit card transactions and related authorization holds may impact your available balance. It is important to know that your available funds may change between the time you authorize a transaction and when the transaction is paid. When you use your debit card you authorize the merchant with whom you use your card or to whom you previously provided your information to ask the Credit Union to approve the transaction you want to make. At this time, in order for the transaction to go through, we must promise the merchant to pay for the purchase upon the merchant's request.

A hold immediately reduces the amount of available funds in your account by the amount of the authorization request. If, while the hold is in place, you do not have enough available funds in your account to cover other transactions you may have conducted (such as a check you previously wrote), those items may overdraw your account or be returned unpaid. This may result in an overdraft fee on the debit card transaction if this happens. In most cases, the hold expires when the transaction is paid.

The amount being held is not applied to the debit card transaction or to any specific transaction. If the hold expires and the transaction has not been paid, the amount being held is returned to your available funds. After the hold expires, we determine whether you have sufficient funds available to pay the debit card transaction. If you do not have sufficient funds, the debit transaction will cause you to overdraw and, if it is a recurring transaction, may incur an overdraft fee. This can occur even if your account did have sufficient available funds when the merchant requested authorization.

Your debit card transaction is paid when the merchant presents it to the Credit Union for payment – that is, when the merchant asks us to transfer the funds from your account to the merchant. It is important to note that authorization and payment of debit card transactions do not occur simultaneously – there can be days between.

If other account activity has caused the funds available in your account to drop below zero before the debit card transaction is paid, you may no longer have sufficient funds to pay the merchant. If that occurs the debit card transaction will overdraw your account because we must honor our promise to pay the merchant. You may incur an overdraft fee when this happens.

**15. POSTDATED AND STALEDATED CHECKS OR DRAFTS** - You agree not to issue any check or draft that is payable on a future date (postdated). If you do draw or issue a check or draft that is postdated and we pay it before that date, you agree that we shall have no liability to you for such payment. You agree not to deposit checks, drafts, or other items before they are properly payable. We are not obligated to pay any check or draft drawn on your account that is presented more than six months past its date; however, if the check or draft is paid against your account, we will have no liability for such payment.

## **16. STOP PAYMENT ORDERS**

**a. Stop Payment Order Request.** You may ask the Credit Union to stop payment on any item you or any account owner draw upon your Checking and Savings Account. You may request a stop payment order by telephone, by mail, or in person. To be binding an order must be dated, signed, and describe the account and check or draft number and the exact amount. 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 on the account, number of the check or draft, and its exact amount. In addition, if the item is an ACH item, you must provide the originator's name or number. You understand that the exact information is necessary for the Credit Union's computer to identify the item. 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 within a reasonable 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. The Credit Union may impose a service fee as set forth in the Truth-in-Savings Disclosure or Truth in Savings Fee Schedule. If the Credit Union recredits your account after paying an item 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 item, check or draft, to the Credit Union and to assist the Credit Union in legal action taken against the person.

Stop payment orders for preauthorized debit transactions from your account are governed by Regulation E. Please refer to the Electronic Fund Transfers Agreement and Disclosure for rules regarding stop payments on preauthorized debit transactions.



**b. Duration of Order.** You may make an oral stop payment order which will lapse within 14 calendar days unless you confirm it in writing, or in a record if allowed by applicable law, within that time. A written stop payment order is effective for six months and may be renewed for additional six-month periods by submitting a renewal request in writing, or in a record if allowed by applicable law, before the stop payment order then in effect expires. We do not have to notify you when a stop payment order expires.

**c. Liability.** Fees for stop payment orders are set forth in the Truth-in-Savings Fee Schedule. You may not stop payment on any certified check, cashier's check, teller's check, or any other check, draft, or payment guaranteed by us. Although payment of an item may be stopped, you may remain liable to any item holder, including us. You agree to indemnify and hold the Credit Union harmless from all costs, including attorney's fees and all damages or claims related to our refusal to pay an item, as well as claims of any joint account owner or of any payee or endorsee for failing to stop payment of an item as a result of incorrect information provided by you.

**17. CREDIT UNION LIABILITY** - If we do not properly complete a transaction according to this Agreement, we will be liable for your losses or damages not to exceed the amount of the transaction, except as otherwise provided by law. We will not be liable if, for example: (1) your account contains an insufficient available balance for the transaction; (2) circumstances beyond our control prevent the transaction; (3) your loss is caused by your or another financial institution's negligence; or (4) your account funds are subject to legal process or other claim. You must immediately report the draft or loss of any checks or drafts imprinted with your account number or name and upon failure to do so will assume full responsibility if the Credit Union should pay such checks or drafts. We will not be liable for consequential damages, except liability for wrongful dishonor. We are not responsible for a check or draft that is paid by us if we acted in a commercially reasonable manner and exercised ordinary care. We exercise ordinary care if our actions or nonactions are consistent with applicable state law, Federal Reserve regulations and operating letters, clearinghouse rules, and general financial institution practices followed in the area we serve. You grant us the right, in making payments of deposited funds, to rely exclusively on the form of the account and the terms of this Agreement. Any conflict regarding what you and our employees say or write will be resolved by reference to this Agreement.

**18. CHECKS OR DRAFTS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT IN PERSON** - We may refuse to accept any check or draft drawn on your account that is presented for payment in person. Such refusal shall not constitute a wrongful dishonor of the check or draft, and we shall have no liability for refusing payment. If we agree to cash a check or draft that is presented for payment in person, we may require the presenter to pay a fee. Any applicable check or draft cashing fees are stated in the Truth in Savings Fee Schedule.

**19. REMOTELY CREATED CHECKS OR DRAFTS** - For purposes of this paragraph, "account" means a transaction account, credit account, or any other account on which checks or drafts may be drawn. A remotely created check or draft is a check or draft created by someone other than the person on whose account the check or draft is drawn. A remotely created check or draft is generally created by a third party payee as authorized by the owner of the account on which the check or draft is drawn. Authorization is usually made over the telephone or through online communication. The owner of the account does not sign a remotely created check or draft. In place of the owner's signature, the remotely created check or draft usually bears a statement that the owner authorized the check or draft or bears the owner's printed or typed name. If you authorize a third party to draw a remotely created check or draft against your account, you may not later revoke or change your authorization. It is your responsibility to resolve any authorization issues directly with the third party. We are not required to credit your account and may charge against your account any remotely created check or draft for which the third party has proof of your authorization.

**20. PLEDGE, RIGHT OF OFFSET AND STATUTORY LIEN** - Unless prohibited by law, you pledge and grant as security for all obligations you may have now or in the future, except obligations secured by your principal residence, all shares and dividends and all deposits and interest, if any, in all accounts you have with us now and in the future. If you pledge a specific dollar amount in your account(s) for a loan, we will freeze the funds in your account(s) to the extent of the outstanding balance of the loan or, if greater, the amount of the pledge if the loan is a revolving loan. Otherwise, funds in your pledged account(s) may be withdrawn unless you are in default. You agree we have the right to offset funds in any of your accounts against the obligation owed to us. Federal or state law (depending upon whether we have a federal or state charter) gives us a lien on all shares and dividends and all deposits and interest, if any, in accounts you have with us now and in the future. Except as limited by federal or state law, the statutory lien gives us the right to apply the balance of all your accounts to any obligation on which you are in default. After you are in default, we may exercise our statutory lien rights without further notice to you.

**Your pledge and our statutory lien rights will allow us to apply the funds in your account(s) to what you owe when you are in default, except as limited by federal or state law.** If we do not apply or offset the funds in your account(s) to satisfy your obligation, we may place an administrative freeze on your account(s) in order to protect our statutory lien rights and may apply or offset the funds in your account(s) to the amount you owe us at a later time. The statutory lien and your pledge do not apply to any Individual Retirement Account or any other account that would lose special tax treatment under federal or state law if given as security. By not enforcing our right to apply or offset funds in your account(s) to your obligations that are in default, we do not waive our right to enforce these rights at a later time.

**21. LEGAL PROCESS** - If any legal action is brought against your account, we may pay out funds according to the terms of the action or refuse any payout until the dispute is resolved, as permitted by law. Any expenses or attorney fees we incur responding to legal process may be charged against your account without notice, unless prohibited by law. Any legal process against your account is subject to our lien and security interest.

**22. ACCOUNT INFORMATION** - Upon request, we will give you the name and address of each agency from which we obtain a credit report regarding your account. We agree not to disclose account information to third parties except when: (1) it is necessary to complete a transaction; (2) the third party seeks to verify the existence or condition of your account in accordance with applicable law; (3) such disclosure complies with the law or a government agency or court order; or (4) you give us written permission.

### 23. NOTICES

**a. Name or Address Changes.** You are responsible for notifying us of any name or address change. The Credit Union is only required to attempt to communicate with you at the most recent address you have provided to us. We may accept oral notices of a change in address and may require any other notice from you to us be provided in writing. If we attempt to locate you, we may impose a service fee as set forth in the Truth-in-Savings Disclosure or Truth in Savings Fee Schedule.

**b. Notice of Amendments.** Except as prohibited by applicable law, we may change the terms of this Agreement at any time. We will notify you, in a manner we deem appropriate under the circumstances, of any changes in terms, rates or fees as required by law. We reserve the right to waive any terms of this Agreement. Any such waiver shall not affect our right to future enforcement.

**c. Effect of Notice.** Any written notice you give us is effective when we receive it. Any written notice we give to you is effective when it is provided electronically or is deposited in the U.S. mail, postage prepaid and addressed to you at your statement mailing address, and will be effective whether or not received by you. Notice to any account owner is considered notice to all account owners.

**d. Electronic Notices.** If you have agreed to receive notices electronically, we may send you notices electronically and discontinue mailing paper notices to you until you notify us that you wish to reinstate receiving paper notices.

**24. TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND BACKUP WITHHOLDING** - You agree that we may withhold taxes from any dividends or interest earned on your account as required by federal, state or local law or regulations. Your failure to furnish a correct Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) or

meet other requirements may result in backup withholding. If your account is subject to backup withholding, we must withhold and pay to the Internal Revenue Service a percentage of dividends, interest, and certain other payments. If you fail to provide your TIN within a reasonable time we may close your account and return the balance to you, less any applicable service fees.

## 25. STATEMENTS

**a. Contents.** If we provide a periodic statement for your account, you will receive a periodic statement that shows the transactions and activity on your account during the statement period as required by applicable law. If a periodic statement is provided, you agree that only one statement is necessary for multiple party accounts. For share draft or checking accounts, you understand and agree that your original check or draft, when paid, becomes property of the Credit Union and may not be returned to you, but copies of the check or draft may be retained by us or by payable-through financial institutions and may be made available upon your request. The Credit Union may impose a fee as set forth in the Truth-in-Savings Disclosure. You understand and agree that statements are made available to you on the date they are mailed to you or, if you have requested, on the date they are made available to you electronically. You also understand and agree that checks, drafts, or copies thereof are made available to you on the date the statement is mailed to you or is provided to you electronically, even if the checks or drafts do not accompany the statement.

**b. Examination.** You are responsible for promptly examining each statement upon receiving it and reporting any irregularities to us. If you fail to report any irregularities such as forged, altered, unauthorized, unsigned, or otherwise fraudulent items drawn on your account, erroneous payments or transactions, or other discrepancies that are reflected on your statement within 33 days of the date we sent or otherwise provided the statement to you, we will not be responsible for your loss. We also will not be liable for any items that are forged or altered in a manner not detectable by a reasonable person, including the unauthorized use of facsimile signature equipment.

Unauthorized electronic fund transfers governed by Regulation E are subject to different reporting periods. Please refer to the Electronic Fund Transfers Agreement and Disclosure for reporting requirements pertaining to electronic fund transfers.

**c. Notice to Credit Union.** You agree that the Credit Union's retention of checks or drafts does not alter or waive your responsibility to examine your statements or the time limit for notifying us of any errors. The statement will be considered correct for all purposes, and we will not be liable for any payment made or charge to your account unless you notify us in writing within the above time limit for notifying us of any errors. If you fail to receive a periodic statement, you agree to notify us within 14 days of the time you regularly receive a statement.

**d. Address.** If we mail you a statement, we will send it to the last known address shown in our records. If you have requested to receive your statement electronically, we will send the statement or notice of statement availability to the last e-mail address shown in our records.

**e. Endorsement Irregularities.** The Credit Union shall not be liable for any unauthorized or missing endorsements, or other defects affecting title, on the back of any item charged to your account unless you notify the Credit Union within six (6) months of the date the Credit Union mails your statement to you or anyone to whom you request it be sent.

**f. Consent to Contact.** You agree we and our third-party debt collectors may contact you by telephone or text message at any telephone number associated with your account, including wireless telephone numbers (i.e., cell phone numbers) which could result in charges to you, in order to service your account or collect any amounts owed to us, excluding any contacts for telemarketing purposes as prescribed by law. You further agree methods of contact may include use of pre-recorded or artificial voice messages, and/or use of an automatic dialing device. You may withdraw the consent to be contacted on your cellular device by written notice to us at P.O. Box 105205 Atlanta, GA, 30348, by email to DoNotCallMyCell@georgiasown.org, via phone at 800-533-2062 or by any other reasonable means. If you have provided a wireless telephone number (cell phone number), you represent and agree you are the wireless (cell phone) subscriber with respect to the wireless telephone number (cell phone number) provided. You represent and agree further you are and will be the wireless telephone (cell phone) subscriber with respect to each wireless telephone number (cell phone number) provided by you to the Credit Union. Should you relinquish or otherwise no longer be the subscriber to a wireless telephone number (cell phone number) you provided to the Credit Union, you represent and agree that you will immediately notify the Credit Union of your relinquishment or nonsubscriber status of the wireless telephone number (cell phone number).

## 26. INACTIVE ACCOUNTS/DORMANT ACCOUNTS

**a. Inactive Accounts** - As allowed by applicable law, we may classify your account as inactive and assess a fee if you have not made any transactions in your account over a specified period of time. The period of inactivity, the fee for servicing an inactive account, and the minimum balance required to avoid the service fee, if any, are set forth in our Truth in Savings Fee Schedule. You authorize us to transfer funds from another account of yours to cover any service fees, if applicable. To the extent allowed by law, we reserve the right to transfer the account funds to an account payable or reserve account and to suspend any further account statements.

**b. Dormant Accounts** - If a deposit or withdrawal has not been made on the account within the period specified by state law, and we have had no correspondence or other sufficient contact with you within the period specified by state law or a Credit Union-generated escheatment notice is mailed to the address on file and subsequently returned to sender, the account will then be presumed to be abandoned and we may assess a dormant account fee. The fee for servicing a dormant account is set forth in the Truth-in-Savings Fee Schedule. Funds in abandoned accounts will be reported and remitted in accordance with state law. Once funds have been turned over to the state, we have no further liability to you for such funds. If you choose to reclaim such funds, you must apply to the appropriate state agency.

**27. SPECIAL ACCOUNT INSTRUCTIONS** - You may request that we facilitate certain trust, will, or court-ordered account arrangements. However, because we do 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. If you ask us to follow any instructions that we believe might expose us to claims, lawsuits, expenses, liabilities, or damages, whether directly or indirectly, we may refuse to follow your instructions or may require you to indemnify us or post a bond or provide us with other protection. We may require that account changes requested by you, or any account owner, such as adding or closing an account or service, be evidenced by a signed Account Form or other document which evidences a change to an account and accepted by us.

**28. TERMINATION OF ACCOUNT** - We 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: (1) there is a change in owners or authorized signers; (2) there has been a forgery or fraud reported or committed involving your account; (3) there is a dispute as to the ownership of the account or of the funds in the account; (4) any checks or drafts are lost or stolen; (5) there are excessive returned unpaid items not covered by an overdraft protection plan; (6) there has been any misrepresentation or any other abuse of any of your accounts; or (7) there is an overdraft condition on your account that continues for a ten (10) day period; or (8) the Credit Union reasonably deems it necessary to prevent a loss to the Credit Union; except that the Credit Union reserves the right to terminate your account without notice if events 5, 6, 7, or 8 occur. Subject to any rights we may have with respect to advance notice of withdrawal from your account, you may terminate an individual account by giving written notice. We reserve the right to require the consent of all owners to terminate a joint account. We are not responsible for payment of any check, draft, withdrawal, transaction, or other item after your account is terminated; however, if we pay an item after termination, you agree to reimburse us. We are not liable for any damages or liabilities resulting from the termination of an account relationship. This Agreement continues to govern your account even after your account closes.

If your account is closed, whether by you or us, we, in our sole discretion, may reopen the closed account as allowed or required by law, including to process credits and debits against the account, even if doing so overdraws your account. You agree to immediately pay all amounts you owe to us. If we reopen the closed account, your account will remain open until all processing is completed or all amounts owed by you are paid to us. We may re-close the account after all processing is complete; and we will send any remaining balance to you, less any fees, service charges, claims, setoffs, or other amounts you owe, if applicable.

**29. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP; LIMITATION OF SERVICES** - You may terminate your membership by giving us written notice or by withdrawing your minimum required membership share, if any, and closing all of your accounts. You may be expelled from membership for any reason allowed by applicable law. We may restrict account access and services without notice to you when your account is being misused; you have demonstrated conduct which is abusive in nature; as outlined in any policy we have adopted regarding restricting services; or as otherwise permitted by law.

**30. DEATH OF ACCOUNT OWNER** - We may honor all transfer orders, withdrawals, deposits, and other transactions on an account until we know of a member's death. Even with such knowledge, we may continue to pay checks or drafts or honor other payments or transfer orders authorized by the deceased member for a period of ten days after the member's death unless we receive instructions from any person claiming an interest in the account to stop payment on the checks, drafts, or other items. We may require anyone claiming a deceased owner's account funds to indemnify us for any losses resulting from our honoring that claim. This Agreement will be binding upon any heirs or legal representatives of any account owner.

**31. THIRD PARTY PASS THROUGH FEES** - For certain services, the Credit Union may utilize the services of a third party to facilitate transactions. Fees assessed by the third party institution for those services may be passed through to the account owner.

**32. UNLAWFUL INTERNET GAMBLING AND OTHER ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES** - You agree that you are not engaged in unlawful internet gambling or any other illegal activity. You agree that you will not use any of your accounts, access devices or services for unlawful internet gambling or other illegal activities. We may terminate your account relationship if you engage in unlawful internet gambling or other illegal activities.

**33. SEVERABILITY** - If a court holds any portion of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be invalid or unenforceable and will continue in full force and effect. All headings are intended for reference only and are not to be construed as part of the Agreement.

**34. ENFORCEMENT** - You are liable to us for any losses, costs, or expenses we incur resulting from your failure to follow this Agreement. You authorize us to deduct any such losses, costs, or expenses from your account without prior notice to you. If we bring a legal action to collect any amount due under or to enforce this Agreement, we shall be entitled, subject to applicable law, to payment of reasonable attorney's fees and costs, including fees on any appeal, bankruptcy proceedings, and any post judgment collection actions.

**35. GOVERNING LAW AND ARBITRATION** - This Agreement is governed by the Credit Union's bylaws, federal laws and regulations, the laws, including applicable principles of contract law, and regulations of the State of Georgia, and local clearinghouse rules, as amended from time to time. As permitted under Federal law or the laws of the State of Georgia, any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or the breach thereof, shall be settled by arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Commercial Arbitration Rules and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. The arbitration shall be governed by the laws of the State of Georgia. The place of arbitration shall be Atlanta, Georgia. All other legal actions regarding this Agreement shall be filed and heard in the courts of Atlanta, Georgia, if allowed by applicable law. There shall be no right or authority for any claims arising out of this Agreement to be arbitrated or litigated on a class action basis.

**36. 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.

**37. MONITORING AND RECORDING COMMUNICATIONS** - We may monitor and record communications between you and us, including telephone conversations, electronic messages, electronic records, or other data transmissions that affect your accounts or other products and services. Except as otherwise prohibited by applicable law, you agree we may monitor and record such communications without your approval or further notice to you.

**38. CONSENT TO FILMING AND PHOTOGRAPHY** - When you enter upon Credit Union property, attend a Credit Union meeting, event or program, or choose to communicate with Credit Union staff via video, you enter an area where photography, audio, and/or video recording may occur. By participating in any of the foregoing activities, you consent to photography, audio recording, video recording and the release, publication, exhibition, distribution, display or reproduction of same for any and all purposes, including promotional purposes, advertising, inclusion on the Credit Union website, social media or any other purpose by the Credit Union. You release the Credit Union, its officers, directors and employees, and all other persons involved from any liability connected with the taking, recording, digitizing, display, distribution or publication and use of photos, images, video and/or sound recordings. You waive all rights you may have to any claims for payment of royalties in connection with any use, display, exhibition, streaming, webcasting, distribution or other publication of these materials regardless of the purpose of same, and further waive any right to inspect or approve any photo, video or audio recording taken by the Credit Union or the person/entity designated to do so by the Credit Union.

## FUNDS AVAILABILITY POLICY DISCLOSURE

This Disclosure describes your ability to withdraw funds at Georgia's Own Credit Union. It only applies to the availability of funds in transaction accounts. The Credit Union reserves the right to delay the availability of funds deposited to accounts that are not transaction accounts for periods longer than those disclosed in this policy. Please ask us if you have a question about which accounts are affected by this policy.

**1. GENERAL POLICY** — Our policy is to make funds from your cash and check deposits available to you on the next business day after we receive your deposit. Electronic direct deposits will be available on the day we receive the deposit. Once they are available, you can withdraw the funds in cash and we will use the funds to pay checks that you have written. For determining the availability of your deposits, every day is a business day, except Saturdays, Sundays, and federal holidays. If you make a deposit before 4:00 p.m. on a business day that we are open, we will consider that day to be the day of your deposit. However, if you make a deposit after our cutoff hour or on a day we are not open, we will consider that the deposit was made on the next business day we are open.

**2. RESERVATION OF RIGHT TO HOLD** — In some cases, we will not make all of the funds that you deposit by check available to you on the next business day that we receive your deposit. Funds may not be available until the second business day after the day of your deposit. However, the first \$225.00 of your deposit will be available on the first business day after the day of your deposit. If we are not going to make all of the funds from your deposit available on the next business day, we will notify you at the time you make your deposit. We will also tell you when the funds will be available. If your deposit is not made directly to one of our employees or if we decide to take this action after you have left the premises, we will mail you the notice by the next business day after we receive your deposit. If you will need the funds from a deposit right away, you should ask us when the funds will be available.

**3. HOLDS ON OTHER FUNDS** — If we cash a check for you that is drawn on another financial institution, we may withhold the availability of a corresponding amount of funds that are already in your account. Those funds will be available at the time funds from the check we cashed would have been available if you had deposited it. If we accept for deposit a check that is drawn on another financial institution, we may make funds from the deposit available for withdrawal immediately but delay your availability to withdraw a corresponding amount of funds that you have on deposit in another account with us. The funds in the other account would then not be available for withdrawal until the time periods that are described elsewhere in this Disclosure for the type of check that you deposited.

**4. LONGER DELAYS MAY APPLY** — We may delay your ability to withdraw funds deposited by check into your account an additional number of days for these reasons:

- We believe a check you deposit will not be paid.
- You deposit checks totaling more than \$5,525.00 on any one (1) day.
- You redeposit a check that has been returned unpaid.
- You have overdrawn your account repeatedly in the last six (6) months.
- There is an emergency, such as failure of communications or computer equipment.

We will notify you if we delay your ability to withdraw funds for any of these reasons and we will tell you when the funds will be available. They will generally be available no later than the seventh business day after the day of your deposit.

**5. SPECIAL RULES FOR NEW ACCOUNTS** — If you are a new member, the following special rules will apply during the first 30 days your account is open.

Funds from electronic direct deposits to your account will be available on the day we receive the deposit. Funds from deposits of cash, wire transfers, and the first \$5,525.00 of a day's total deposits of cashier's, certified, teller's, traveler's, and federal, state, and local government checks will be available on the next business day after the day of your deposit if the deposit meets certain conditions. For example, the checks must be payable to you. The excess over \$5,525.00 will be available on the ninth business day after the day of your deposit. If your deposit of these checks (other than a U.S. Treasury check) is not made in person to one of our employees, the first \$5,525.00 will not be available until the second business day after the day of your deposit. Funds from all other check deposits will be available on the ninth business day after the day of your deposit.

**6. DEPOSITS AT ATMS, SERVICE CENTERS, OUTLETS** — Funds from any deposits (cash or checks) made at automated teller machines (ATMs) we do not own or operate will not be available until the fifth business day after the date of your deposit. Funds from any deposits (cash or checks) made at ATMs we do own or operate will not be available for withdrawal until the second business day after the date of your deposit. All ATMs that we own or operate are identified as our machines. Funds from any deposit other than immediate credit items such as cash, government checks, Federal Reserve or Federal Home Loan Bank checks, or US Postal Money Orders made at teller assisted Service Centers or Outlets will not be available for withdrawal until the second business day after the date of your deposit.

**7. FOREIGN CHECKS** — Checks drawn on financial institutions located outside the U.S. (foreign checks) cannot be processed the same as checks drawn on U.S. financial institutions. Foreign checks are exempt from the policies outlined in this Disclosure. Generally, the availability of funds for deposits of foreign checks will be delayed for the time it takes us to collect the funds from the financial institution upon which it is drawn.

## ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS AGREEMENT AND DISCLOSURE

This Electronic Fund Transfers Agreement and Disclosure is the contract which covers your and our rights and responsibilities concerning the electronic fund transfers (EFT) services offered to you by Georgia's Own Credit Union ("Credit Union"). In this Agreement, the words "you," "your," and "yours" mean those who sign the application or account card as applicants, joint owners, or any authorized users. The words "we," "us," and "our" mean the Credit Union. The word "account" means any one (1) or more savings and checking accounts you have with the Credit Union. Electronic fund transfers are electronically initiated transfers of money from your account through the EFT services described below. By signing an application or account card for EFT services, signing your card, or using any service, each of you, jointly and severally, agree to the terms and conditions in this Agreement and any amendments for the EFT services offered. Furthermore, electronic fund transfers that meet the definition of remittance transfers are governed by 12 C.F.R. part 1005, subpart B—Requirements for remittance transfers, and consequently, terms of this agreement may vary for those types of transactions. A "remittance transfer" is an electronic transfer of funds of more than \$15.00 which is requested by a sender and sent to a designated recipient in a foreign country by a remittance transfer provider. Terms applicable to such transactions may vary from those disclosed herein and will be disclosed to you at the time such services are requested and rendered in accordance with applicable law.

**1. EFT SERVICES** — If approved, you may conduct any one (1) or more of the EFT services offered by the Credit Union.

**a. Visa Debit Card.** If approved, you may use your Visa® card to purchase goods and services from participating merchants. However, you may not use your card to initiate any type of gambling transaction. If you wish to pay for goods or services over the Internet, you may be required to provide card number security information before you will be permitted to complete the transaction. You agree that you will not use your card for any transaction that is illegal under applicable federal, state, or local law. Funds to cover your card purchases will be deducted from your checking account. For ATM and one-time debit card transactions, you must consent to the Credit Union's overdraft protection plan in order for the transaction amount to be covered under the plan. Without your consent, the Credit Union may not authorize and pay an overdraft resulting from these types of transactions. Services and fees for overdrafts are shown in the document the Credit Union uses to capture the member's opt-in choice for overdraft protection and the Truth-in-Savings Fee Schedule.

For other types of transactions, if the balance in your account is not sufficient to pay the transaction amount, the Credit Union may pay the amount and treat the transaction as a request to transfer funds from other deposit accounts, approved overdraft protection accounts, or loan accounts that you have established with the Credit Union. If you initiate a transaction that overdraws your account, you agree to make immediate payment of any overdrafts together with any service charges to the Credit Union. In the event of repeated overdrafts, the Credit Union may terminate all services under this Agreement. You may use your card and personal identification number (PIN) in ATMs of the Credit Union, networks (as referenced on the card), and such other machines or facilities as the Credit Union may designate. In addition, you may use your Visa card without a PIN for certain transactions on the Visa and ACCEL networks. However, provisions of this Agreement relating only to Visa debit transactions, such as additional limits on your liability and streamlined error resolution procedures, do not apply to transactions processed through non-Visa networks. To initiate a Visa debit transaction, you may sign a receipt, provide a card number, or swipe or insert your card at a point-of-sale (POS) terminal and choose to route the transaction over a Visa network.

At the present time, you may also use your card to:

- Make deposits to your savings and checking accounts.
- Withdraw funds from your savings and checking accounts.
- Transfer funds from your savings and checking accounts.
- Obtain balance information for your savings and checking accounts.
- Make point-of-sale (POS) transactions with your card and personal identification number (PIN) to purchase goods or services at merchants that accept Visa.
- Order goods or services online or by mail or telephone from places that accept Visa.

The following limitations on Visa Debit Card transactions may apply:

- You may purchase up to a maximum of \$5,000.00 per day (except in those situations in which the credit union's system is down and the limitations in these instances will be up to \$1,000.00 a day), if there are sufficient funds in your account. Your limit could be less depending on the account for which you qualify.
- You may withdraw up to a maximum of \$500.00 in any one (1) day from an ATM machine, if there are sufficient funds in your account. Your limit could be less depending on the account for which you qualify.
- For security purposes, there are other limits on the frequency and amount of transfers available at ATMs.
- You may transfer up to the available balance in your accounts at the time of the transfer.
- See Section 2 for transfer limitations that may apply to these transactions.

Because of the servicing schedule and processing time required in ATM operations, there may be a delay between the time a deposit (either cash or check) is made and when it will be available for withdrawal.

**Card Information Updates and Authorizations.** If you have authorized a merchant to bill charges to your card on a recurring basis, it is your responsibility to notify the merchant in the event your card is replaced, your card information (such as card number and expiration date) changes, or the account associated with your card is closed. However, if your card is replaced or card information changes, you authorize us, without obligation on our part, to provide the updated card information to the merchant in order to permit the merchant to bill recurring charges to the card. You authorize us to apply such recurring charges to the card until you notify us that you have revoked authorization for the charges to your card.

Your card is automatically enrolled in an information updating service. Through this service, your updated card information (such as card number and expiration date) may be shared with participating merchants to facilitate continued recurring charges. Updates are not guaranteed before your next payment to a merchant is due. You are responsible for making direct payment until recurring charges resume. To revoke your authorization allowing us to provide updated card information to a merchant, please contact us.

**b. TELE-TALK (Audio Response).** If we approve TELE-TALK (Audio Response) access service for your accounts, you must use your member number and personal identification number (PIN) to access your accounts. At the present time, you may use TELE-TALK to:

- Withdraw funds from your savings and checking accounts.
- Transfer funds from your savings and checking accounts.
- Obtain balance information for your savings, checking, loan, IRA, certificate, and credit card accounts.
- Make loan payments from your savings and checking accounts.
- Access your Line of Credit, Lifestyle, and Home Equity Line of Credit account.
- Determine if a particular item has cleared.
- Obtain tax information on amounts earned on savings and checking accounts or interest paid on loan accounts.
- Verify the last date and amount of your payroll deposit.

Your accounts can be accessed under TELE-TALK via a touch-tone telephone only. TELE-TALK service will be available for your convenience 24 hours per day. This service may be interrupted for a short time each day for data processing.

The following limitations on TELE-TALK transactions may apply:

- There is no limit to the number of inquiries or withdrawal requests you may make in any one (1) day.
- See Section 2 for transfer limitations that may apply to these transactions.

The Credit Union reserves the right to refuse any transaction which would draw upon insufficient funds, exceed a credit limit, lower an account below a required balance, or otherwise require us to increase our required reserve on the account. All checks are payable to you as a primary member and will be mailed to your address of record. The Credit Union may set other limits on the amount of any transaction, and you will be notified of those limits. The Credit Union may refuse to honor any transaction for which you do not have sufficient available verified funds. The service will discontinue if no transaction is entered after numerous unsuccessful attempts to enter a transaction and there may be limits on the duration of each telephone call.

**c. Preauthorized EFTs.**

- **Direct Deposit.** Upon instruction of (i) your employer, (ii) the Treasury Department or (iii) other financial institutions, the Credit Union will accept direct deposits of your paycheck or federal recurring payments, such as Social Security, to any deposit account.
- **Preauthorized Debits.** Upon instruction, we will pay certain recurring transactions from your savings and/or checking account.
- See Section 2 for transfer limitations that may apply to these transactions.
- **Stop Payment Rights.** If you have arranged in advance to make electronic fund transfers out of your account(s) for money you owe others, you may stop payment on preauthorized transfers from your account. You must notify us orally or in writing at any time up to three (3) business days before the scheduled date of the transfer. We may require written confirmation of the stop payment order to be made within 14 days of any oral notification. If we do not receive the written confirmation, the oral stop payment order shall cease to be binding 14 days after it has been made. A stop payment request may apply to a single transfer, multiple transfers, or all future transfers as directed by you, and will remain in effect unless you withdraw your request or all transfers subject to the request have been returned.
- **Notice of Varying Amounts.** If these regular payments may vary in amount, the person you are going to pay is required to tell you, ten (10) days before each payment, when it will be made and how much it will be. You may choose instead to get this notice only when the payment would differ by more than a certain amount from the previous payment or when the amount would fall outside certain limits that you set.
- **Liability for Failure to Stop Payment of Preauthorized Transfers.** If you order us to stop payment of a preauthorized transfer three (3) business days or more before the transfer is scheduled and we do not do so, we will be liable for your losses or damages.

**d. Electronic Check Conversion/Electronic Returned Check Fees.** If you pay for purchases or bills with a check or draft, you may authorize your check or draft to be converted to an electronic fund transfer. You may also authorize merchants or other payees to electronically debit your account for returned check fees. You are considered to have authorized these electronic fund transfers if you complete the transaction after being told (orally or by a notice posted or sent to you) that the transfer may be processed electronically or if you sign a written authorization.

- **Online Banking.** If Online Banking is activated for your account(s), you must use your username and password to access the account(s). At the present time, you may use Online Banking to:
- Withdraw funds from your savings and checking accounts.

- Transfer funds from your savings and checking accounts.
- Obtain balance information for your savings, checking, loan, IRA, certificate, and credit card accounts.
- Make loan payments from your savings and checking accounts.
- Access your Line of Credit, Lifestyle, and Home Equity Line of Credit accounts.
- Make bill payments to preauthorized creditors.

Your accounts can be accessed under Online Banking via personal computer. Online Banking will be available for your convenience 24 hours per day. This service may be interrupted for a short time each day for data processing. We reserve the right to refuse any transaction which would draw upon insufficient funds, exceed a credit limit, lower an account below a required balance, or otherwise require us to increase our required reserve on the account. All checks are payable to you as a primary member and will be mailed to your address of record. We may set other limits on the amount of any transaction, and you will be notified of those limits. We may refuse to honor any transaction for which you do not have sufficient available verified funds. The service will discontinue if no transaction is entered after numerous unsuccessful attempts to enter a transaction and there may be limits on the duration of each access.

The following limitations on Online Banking transactions may apply:

- There is no limit to the number of inquiries or withdrawal requests you may make in any one (1) day.
- See Section 2 for transfer limitations that may apply to these transactions.

**e. Bill Pay.** We will process bill payment transfer requests only to those creditors the Credit Union has designated in the User Instructions and such creditors as you authorize and for whom the Credit Union has the proper vendor code number. We will not process any bill payment transfer if the required transaction information is incomplete.

We will withdraw the designated funds from your checking account for bill payment transfer by the designated cutoff time on the date you schedule for payment. We will process your bill payment transfer within a designated number of days before the date you schedule for payment. You must allow sufficient time for vendors to process your payment after they receive a transfer from us. Please leave as much time as though you were sending your payment by mail. We cannot guarantee the time that any payment will be credited to your account by the vendor. At the present time, you may use the Bill Pay Service to:

- Add/View Payees.
- View scheduled and processed payment activity.
- Make single or recurring payments.
- Set up, receive, and pay E-bills.
- Receive electronic messages from bill pay service.
- Send and receive electronic messages regarding payment investigations.

The following limitations on Bill Pay transactions may apply:

- There is no limit on the number of bill payments per day.

**2. TRANSFER LIMITATIONS —** For all savings accounts, you may make no more than six (6) transfers and withdrawals from your account to another account of yours or to a third party in any month by means of a preauthorized, automatic, or Internet transfer, by telephonic order or instruction, or by check, draft, debit card or similar order. If you exceed these limitations, your account may be subject to a fee or be closed.

### **3. CONDITIONS OF EFT SERVICES —**

**a. Ownership of Cards.** Any card or other device which we supply to you is our property and must be returned to us, or to any person whom we authorize to act as our agent, or to any person who is authorized to honor the card, immediately according to instructions. The card may be repossessed at any time at our sole discretion without demand or notice. You cannot transfer your card or account to another person.

**b. Honoring the Card.** Neither we nor merchants authorized to honor the card will be responsible for the failure or refusal to honor the card or any other device we supply to you. If a merchant agrees to give you a refund or adjustment, you agree to accept a credit to your account in lieu of a cash refund.

#### **c. Foreign Transactions.**

**Visa.** Purchases and cash withdrawals made in foreign currencies will be debited from your account in U.S. dollars. The exchange rate between the transaction currency and the billing currency used for processing international transactions is a rate selected by Visa from a range of rates available in wholesale currency markets for the applicable transaction date, which rate may vary from the rate Visa itself receives, or the rate mandated by the government or governing body in effect for the applicable transaction date. The exchange rate used on the transaction date may differ from the rate that would have been used on the processing date or cardholder statement posting date.

A fee of 2.00% of the amount of the transaction, calculated in U.S. dollars, will be imposed on all foreign transactions, including purchases, cash withdrawals and credits to your account. A foreign transaction is any transaction that you complete or a merchant completes on your card outside of the United States, with the exception of U.S. military bases, U.S. territories, U.S. embassies or U.S. consulates. Transactions completed by merchants outside of the United States are considered foreign transactions, regardless of whether you are located inside or outside the United States at the time of the transaction.

**d. Security of Access Code.** You may use one (1) or more access codes with your electronic fund transfers. The access codes issued to you are for your security purposes. Any access codes issued to you are confidential and should not be disclosed

to third parties or recorded on or with the card. You are responsible for safekeeping your access codes. You agree not to disclose or otherwise make your access codes available to anyone not authorized to sign on your accounts. If you authorize anyone to use your access codes, that authority shall continue until you specifically revoke such authority by notifying the Credit Union. You understand that any joint owner you authorize to use an access code may withdraw or transfer funds from any of your accounts. If you fail to maintain the security of these access codes and the Credit Union suffers a loss, we may terminate your EFT services immediately.

**e. Joint Accounts.** If any of your accounts accessed under this Agreement are joint accounts, all joint owners, including any authorized users, shall be bound by this Agreement and, alone and together, shall be responsible for all EFT transactions to or from any savings and checking or loan accounts as provided in this Agreement. Each joint account owner, without the consent of any other account owner, may, and is hereby authorized by every other joint account owner, make any transaction permitted under this Agreement. Each joint account owner is authorized to act for the other account owners, and the Credit Union may accept orders and instructions regarding any EFT transaction on any account from any joint account owner.

**4. FEES AND CHARGES —** We assess certain fees and charges for EFT services. For a current listing of all applicable fees and charges, see our current Truth-in-Savings Fee Schedule that was provided to you at the time you applied for or requested these EFT services. From time to time, the fees and charges may be changed, and we will notify you as required by applicable law.

Additionally, if you use an ATM not operated by us, you may be charged a fee(s) by the ATM operator and by any international, national, regional, or local network used in processing the transaction (and you may be charged a fee for a balance inquiry even if you do not complete a funds transfer). The ATM fee(s), or surcharge(s), will be debited from your account if you elect to complete the transaction and/or continue with the balance inquiry.

You understand and agree that we and/or the ATM operator may charge you multiple fees for multiple transactions during the same ATM session (for example, fees for both a balance inquiry and a cash withdrawal).

**5. MEMBER LIABILITY —** You are responsible for all transactions you authorize using your EFT services under this Agreement. If you permit someone else to use an EFT service, your card or your access code, you are responsible for any transactions they authorize or conduct on any of your accounts.

TELL US AT ONCE if you believe your card or access code has been lost or stolen, if you believe someone has used your card or access code or otherwise accessed your accounts without your authority, or if you believe that an electronic fund transfer has been made without your permission using information from your check. Telephoning is the best way of keeping your possible losses down. You could lose all the money in your account (plus your maximum overdraft line-of-credit). If a transaction was made with your card or card number without your permission and was a Visa transaction, you will have no liability for the transaction, unless you were fraudulent or negligent in the handling of your account or card.

For all other EFT transactions involving your card or access code, including if you were negligent in the handling of your account or card, your liability for an unauthorized transaction is determined as follows. If you tell us within two (2) business days after you learn of the loss or theft of your card or access code, you can lose no more than \$50.00 if someone used your card or access code without your permission. If you do NOT tell us within two (2) business days after you learn of the loss or theft of your card or access code and we can prove we could have stopped someone from using your card or access code without your permission if you had told us, you could lose as much as \$500.00.

Also, if your statement shows transfers that you did not make including those made by card, access code or other means, TELL US AT ONCE. If you do not tell us within 60 days after the statement was mailed to you, you may not get back any money lost after the 60 days if we can prove that we could have stopped someone from making the transfers if you had told us in time. If a good reason (such as a hospital stay) kept you from telling us, we will extend the time periods.

If you believe your card or access code has been lost or stolen or that someone has transferred or may transfer money from your accounts without your permission, call:

(404) 874-1166  
(800) 533-2062

or write to:

Georgia's Own Credit Union  
100 Peachtree Street  
Suite 2800  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
Fax: (404) 881-2950  
[www.georgiasown.org](http://www.georgiasown.org)

You should also call the number or write to the address listed above if you believe a transfer has been made using the information from your check without your permission.

## **6. RIGHT TO RECEIVE DOCUMENTATION —**

**a. Periodic Statements.** Transfers and withdrawals made through any ATM or POS terminal, debit card transactions, audio response transactions, preauthorized EFTs, online/PC transactions or bill payments you make will be recorded on your periodic statement. You will receive a statement monthly unless there is no transaction in a particular month. In any case, you will receive a statement at least quarterly.



**b. Terminal Receipt.** You can get a receipt at the time you make any transaction (except inquiries) involving your account using an ATM and/or point-of-sale (POS) terminal.

**c. Direct Deposit.** If you have arranged to have a direct deposit made to your account at least once every 60 days from the same source and you do not receive a receipt (such as a pay stub), you can find out whether or not the deposit has been made by calling (404) 874-1166 or (800) 533-2062. This does not apply to transactions occurring outside the United States.

**7. ACCOUNT INFORMATION DISCLOSURE —** We will disclose information to third parties about your account or the transfers you make:

- As necessary to complete transfers;
- To verify the existence of sufficient funds to cover specific transactions upon the request of a third party, such as a credit bureau or merchant;
- If your account is eligible for emergency cash and/or emergency card replacement services and you request such services, you agree that we may provide personal information about you and your account that is necessary to provide you with the requested service(s);
- To comply with government agency or court orders; or
- If you give us your written permission.

**8. BUSINESS DAYS —** Our business days are Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

**9. CREDIT UNION LIABILITY FOR FAILURE TO MAKE TRANSFERS —** If we do not complete a transfer to or from your account on time or in the correct amount according to our agreement with you, we may be liable for your losses or damages. However, we will not be liable for direct or consequential damages in the following events:

- If, through no fault of ours, there is an insufficient available balance in your account to complete the transaction, if any funds in your accounts necessary to complete the transaction are held as uncollected funds pursuant to our Funds Availability Policy Disclosure, or if the transaction involves a loan request exceeding your credit limit.
- If you used your card or access code in an incorrect manner.
- If the ATM where you are making the transfer does not have enough cash.
- If the ATM was not working properly and you knew about the problem when you started the transaction.
- If circumstances beyond our control (such as fire, flood, or power failure) prevent the transaction.
- If the money in your account is subject to legal process or other claim.
- If funds in your account are pledged as collateral or frozen because of a delinquent loan.
- If the error was caused by a system of any participating ATM network.
- If the electronic transfer is not completed as a result of your willful or negligent use of your card, access code, or any EFT facility for making such transfers.
- If the telephone or computer equipment you use to conduct audio response, online/PC, or mobile banking transactions is not working properly and you know or should have known about the breakdown when you started the transaction.
- If you have bill payment services, we can only confirm the amount, the participating merchant, and date of the bill payment transfer made by the Credit Union. For any other error or question you have involving the billing statement of the participating merchant, you must contact the merchant directly. We are not responsible for investigating such errors.
- Any other exceptions as established by the Credit Union.

**10. NOTICES —** All notices from us will be effective when we have mailed them or delivered them to the appropriate address in the Credit Union's records. Written notice you provide in accordance with your responsibility to report unauthorized transactions to us will be considered given at the time you mail the notice or deliver it for transmission to us by any other usual means. All other notices from you will be effective when received by the Credit Union at the address specified in this Agreement. We reserve the right to change the terms and conditions upon which EFT services are offered and will provide notice to you in accordance with applicable law. Use of EFT services is subject to existing regulations governing your Credit Union account and any future changes to those regulations.

The following information is a list of safety precautions regarding the use of ATMs and night deposit facilities:

- Be aware of your surroundings, particularly at night.
- Consider having someone accompany you when the ATM or night deposit facility is used after dark.
- Close the entry door of any ATM facility equipped with a door.
- If another person is uncomfortably close to you at the time of your transaction, ask the person to step back before you complete your transaction. If it is after the regular hours of the financial institution and you are using an ATM, do not permit entrance to any person you do not know.
- Refrain from displaying your cash at the ATM or night deposit facility. As soon as your transaction is completed, place your money in your purse or wallet. Count the cash later in the safety of your car or home.
- If you notice anything suspicious at the ATM or night deposit facility, consider using another ATM or night deposit facility or coming back later. If you are in the middle of a transaction and you notice something suspicious, cancel the transaction, take your card or deposit envelope, and leave.
- If you are followed after making a transaction, go to the nearest public area where people are located.
- Do not write your personal identification number (PIN) or access code on your ATM card.
- Report all crimes to law enforcement officials immediately. If emergency assistance is needed, call the police from the nearest available public telephone.

**11. BILLING ERRORS —** In case of errors or questions about electronic fund transfers from your savings and checking accounts or if you need more information about a transfer on the statement or receipt, telephone us at the following number or

send us a written notice to the following address as soon as you can. We must hear from you no later than 60 days after we sent the FIRST statement on which the problem appears. Call us at:

(404) 874-1166  
(800) 533-2062

or write to:

Georgia's Own Credit Union  
100 Peachtree Street  
Suite 2800  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
Fax: (404) 881-2950  
www.georgiasown.org

- Tell us your name and account number.
- Describe the electronic transfer you are unsure about and explain, as clearly as you can, why you believe it is an error or why you need more information.
- Tell us the dollar amount of the suspected error.

If you tell us orally, we may require that you send us your complaint or question in writing within ten (10) business days.

We will determine whether an error has occurred within ten (10)\* business days after we hear from you and will correct any error promptly. If we need more time, however, we may take up to 45\*\* days to investigate your complaint or question. If we decide to do this, we will credit your account within ten (10)\*\* business days for the amount you think is in error so that you will have the use of the money during the time it takes us to complete our investigation. If we ask you to put your complaint or question in writing and we do not receive it within ten (10) business days, we may not credit your account.

We will tell you the results within three (3) business days after completing our investigation. If we decide that there was no error, we will send you a written explanation. You may ask for copies of the documents that we used in our investigation.

\* If you give notice of an error occurring within 30 days after you make the first deposit to your account, we may take up to 20 business days instead of ten (10) business days to investigate the error.

\*\* If you give notice of an error occurring within 30 days after you make the first deposit to your account, notice of an error involving a point-of-sale (POS) transaction, or notice of an error involving a transaction initiated outside the U.S., its possessions and territories, we may take up to 90 days instead of 45 days to investigate the error. Additionally, for errors occurring within 30 days after you make the first deposit to your account, we may take up to 20 business days instead of ten (10) business days to credit your account.

**NOTE:** If the error you assert is an unauthorized Visa transaction, other than a cash disbursement at an ATM, we will credit your account within five (5) business days unless we determine that the circumstances or your account history warrant a delay, in which case you will receive credit as described above.

**12. TERMINATION OF EFT SERVICES** — You may terminate this Agreement or any EFT service under this Agreement at any time by notifying us in writing and stopping your use of your card and any access code. You must return all cards to the Credit Union. You also agree to notify any participating merchants that authority to make bill payment transfers has been revoked. We may also terminate this Agreement at any time by notifying you orally or in writing. If we terminate this Agreement, we may notify any participating merchants making preauthorized debits or credits to any of your accounts that this Agreement has been terminated and that we will not accept any further preauthorized transaction instructions. We may also program our computer not to accept your card or access code for any EFT service. Whether you or the Credit Union terminates this Agreement, the termination shall not affect your obligations under this Agreement for any electronic transactions made prior to termination.

**13. 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 Georgia, and local clearinghouse rules, as amended from time to time. Any disputes regarding this Agreement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the court of the county in which the Credit Union is located.

**14. ENFORCEMENT** — You are liable to us for any losses, costs or expenses we incur resulting from your failure to follow this Agreement. You authorize us to deduct any such losses, costs or expenses from your account without prior notice to you. If we bring a legal action to collect any amount due under or to enforce this Agreement, we shall be entitled, subject to applicable law, to payment of reasonable attorney's fees and costs, including fees on any appeal, bankruptcy proceedings, and any postjudgment collection actions.

**15. OTHER AGREEMENTS** — All the terms and conditions of the Membership and Account Agreement and any other written Agreements which you have previously made with the Credit Union regarding the use of your accounts will apply to all transactions in which your card and any ATM or Point-of-Sale Terminal are used, unless any terms of those Agreements conflict with the terms of this Agreement, in which case the terms of this Agreement will control.

The Credit Union can delay enforcing any of its rights against you under this Agreement without losing them. All headings are intended for reference only and not to be construed as part of the Agreement.