

WEST VIRGINIA LABOR LAW POSTINGS



UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

WORKFORCE West Virginia

Notice To Employees – Unemployment Benefits

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT

You are considered totally unemployed during any week in which you are totally separated from your employment, performing no services for which wages or other remuneration were paid to you. You must file your initial claim for total unemployment in person. Since a claim for unemployment compensation is effective the Sunday of the week in which it is filed, you should file your claim immediately after you are separated from your employment. You will be instructed on filing your continued claim. Your options for filing continued claims will include telephone or web filing.

PARTIAL UNEMPLOYMENT

You would be considered partially unemployed if you have been working full-time, but due to business being slow, a breakdown of equipment, or similar reasons, your employer has to reduce your hours during the week. You may be entitled to partial unemployment benefits during this week if you earned less than what your weekly unemployment benefit amount would be plus \$60. Under these conditions, your employer's wages or other remuneration would be less than your weekly unemployment benefit amount plus \$60. Under these conditions, your employer's wages or other remuneration would be less than your weekly unemployment benefit amount plus \$60. Under these conditions, your employer's wages or other remuneration would be less than your weekly unemployment benefit amount plus \$60. Under these conditions, your employer's wages or other remuneration would be less than your weekly unemployment benefit amount plus \$60.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be monetarily eligible to receive unemployment benefits you must have earned \$2200 gross wages in covered employment during two or more calendar quarters of your regular base period (first four of the last five completed calendar quarters) or alternative base period (the last four quarters immediately preceding the first day of the individual's benefit year).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS - OTHER

If you are unemployed, you shall be eligible to receive benefits only if:

- You have made a claim for benefits at a local unemployment office.
- You have registered for work with the Job Service Office and continue to report as directed.
- You are able to work and available for full-time work for which you are fitted by prior training or experience.
- You are doing what a reasonable prudent person in your situation would do to find work.
- You have filed for and served a waiting period of one week during your benefit year.
- You have earned gross wages of less than your weekly benefit amount plus \$60 during the week for which you claim benefits.
- You regularly on a new claim when you had a previous benefit year (must have earned eight times your old weekly benefit amount in covered employment after the beginning of your previous claim).
- You must participate in profiling and reemployment services when selected.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

You may be disqualified from drawing benefits:

- If you leave work voluntarily without good cause involving fault on the part of your employer.
- If you are discharged for misconduct.
- If you fail without good cause to apply for available suitable work, to accept suitable work when offered, or to return to your customary self-employment when directed to do so.
- If you are unemployed due to a labor dispute.
- For the week for which you receive wages in lieu of notice or Workers' Compensation for temporary total disability.
- For the week for which you receive unemployment compensation under the laws of another state or of the United States.
- For any week you are training, participating, or preparing to participate in sports or athletic events if there is reasonable assurance you will perform such services in the current or upcoming seasons.
- If you are an employee of an educational institution or educational service agency, for any week of unemployment which commences during a paid sabbatical leave; a holiday or vacation period between two academic years or terms, if you perform services in the first academic year or term or prior to the beginning of a holiday or vacation period and there is a contract or a reasonable assurance that you will perform services in the second academic year or term or after a holiday or vacation period. (EXCEPTION: If you have sufficient non-school wages in your base period to qualify for benefits based upon the non-school wages only, you may be entitled to benefits during this period.)
- For any week on the basis of services performed as an alien, unless you are lawfully residing in the United States and have a valid permit to work.
- If you leave work voluntarily to attend school or other educational institution, or are waiting to enter school or an educational institution.
- For each week in which you are unemployed because of your request or that of your duly-authorized agent for a vacation at a specified time that leaves your employer no other alternative but to suspend operations.
- For the week in which you receive any annuity, pension, or other retirement pay from a base period employer, or from a fund towards which a base period employer has contributed. If your remuneration is less than the unemployment benefits otherwise due to you, your unemployment benefits will be reduced by the amount of your annuity, pension, etc.
- For each week in which and for 52 weeks thereafter, if the commissioner finds that you, within the preceding 24 months, knowingly made a false statement or failed to reveal a material fact in order to obtain or increase or attempt to obtain or increase a benefit, and you shall be considered guilty of a misdemeanor and may be subject to severe penalties.

Neither the full effect nor the duration of a disqualification is given here in detail.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

Bring your Social Security Card with you when you report to the local office. Your Social Security Number will only be printed on the most pertinent documents.

VOLUNTARY INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING PROGRAM

Unemployment compensation benefits are subject to Federal income tax and there are requirements related to estimated tax payments. You may choose to have Federal income tax deducted and withheld from any unemployment benefits paid to you.

Unemployment Compensation Benefit Rate Table

Wage Class	Wages in Base Period	Weekly Benefit Rate	Maximum Benefit Rate	Wage Class	Wages in Base Period	Weekly Benefit Rate	Maximum Benefit Rate
Under \$2,200 ineligible							
1	\$2,200.00 - 2,349.99	24.00	624.00	64	11,650.00 - 11,799.99	124.00	3,224.00
2	2,350.00 - 2,499.99	25.00	650.00	65	11,800.00 - 11,949.99	125.00	3,250.00
3	2,500.00 - 2,649.99	27.00	702.00	66	11,950.00 - 12,099.99	127.00	3,302.00
4	2,650.00 - 2,799.99	28.00	728.00	68	12,250.00 - 12,399.99	130.00	3,380.00
5	2,800.00 - 2,949.99	30.00	780.00	69	12,400.00 - 12,549.99	131.00	3,406.00
6	2,950.00 - 3,099.99	31.00	806.00	70	12,550.00 - 12,699.99	133.00	3,458.00
7	3,100.00 - 3,249.99	33.00	858.00	71	12,700.00 - 12,849.99	135.00	3,510.00
8	3,250.00 - 3,399.99	35.00	910.00	72	12,850.00 - 12,999.99	136.00	3,536.00
9	3,400.00 - 3,549.99	36.00	936.00	73	13,000.00 - 13,149.99	147.00	3,822.00
10	3,550.00 - 3,699.99	38.00	988.00	74	13,150.00 - 13,299.99	139.00	3,614.00
11	3,700.00 - 3,849.99	39.00	1,014.00	75	13,300.00 - 13,449.99	141.00	3,666.00
12	3,850.00 - 3,999.99	41.00	1,066.00	76	13,450.00 - 13,599.99	143.00	3,718.00
13	4,000.00 - 4,149.99	43.00	1,118.00	77	13,600.00 - 13,749.99	144.00	3,744.00
14	4,150.00 - 4,299.99	44.00	1,144.00	78	13,750.00 - 13,899.99	146.00	3,796.00
15	4,300.00 - 4,449.99	46.00	1,196.00	79	13,900.00 - 14,049.99	147.00	3,822.00
16	4,450.00 - 4,599.99	47.00	1,222.00	80	14,050.00 - 14,199.99	149.00	3,874.00
17	4,600.00 - 4,749.99	49.00	1,274.00	81	14,200.00 - 14,349.99	150.00	3,900.00
18	4,750.00 - 4,899.99	51.00	1,326.00	82	14,350.00 - 14,499.99	152.00	3,952.00
19	4,900.00 - 5,049.99	52.00	1,352.00	83	14,500.00 - 14,649.99	154.00	4,004.00
20	5,050.00 - 5,199.99	54.00	1,404.00	84	14,650.00 - 14,799.99	155.00	4,030.00
21	5,200.00 - 5,349.99	55.00	1,430.00	85	14,800.00 - 14,949.99	157.00	4,082.00
22	5,350.00 - 5,499.99	57.00	1,482.00	86	14,950.00 - 15,099.99	158.00	4,108.00
23	5,500.00 - 5,649.99	58.00	1,508.00	87	15,100.00 - 15,249.99	160.00	4,160.00
24	5,650.00 - 5,799.99	60.00	1,560.00	88	15,250.00 - 15,399.99	162.00	4,212.00
25	5,800.00 - 5,949.99	62.00	1,612.00	89	15,400.00 - 15,549.99	163.00	4,238.00
26	5,950.00 - 6,099.99	63.00	1,638.00	90	15,550.00 - 15,699.99	165.00	4,290.00
27	6,100.00 - 6,249.99	65.00	1,690.00	91	15,700.00 - 15,849.99	166.00	4,316.00
28	6,250.00 - 6,399.99	66.00	1,716.00	92	15,850.00 - 15,999.99	168.00	4,368.00
29	6,400.00 - 6,549.99	68.00	1,768.00	93	16,000.00 - 16,149.99	170.00	4,420.00
30	6,550.00 - 6,699.99	70.00	1,820.00	94	16,150.00 - 16,299.99	171.00	4,446.00
31	6,700.00 - 6,849.99	71.00	1,846.00	95	16,300.00 - 16,449.99	173.00	4,498.00
32	6,850.00 - 6,999.99	73.00	1,898.00	96	16,450.00 - 16,599.99	174.00	4,524.00
33	7,000.00 - 7,149.99	74.00	1,924.00	97	16,600.00 - 16,749.99	176.00	4,576.00
34	7,150.00 - 7,299.99	75.00	1,950.00	98	16,750.00 - 16,899.99	177.00	4,602.00
35	7,300.00 - 7,449.99	78.00	2,028.00	99	16,900.00 - 17,049.99	179.00	4,654.00
36	7,450.00 - 7,599.99	79.00	2,054.00	100	17,050.00 - 17,199.99	181.00	4,706.00
37	7,600.00 - 7,749.99	81.00	2,106.00	101	17,200.00 - 17,349.99	182.00	4,732.00
38	7,750.00 - 7,899.99	82.00	2,132.00	102	17,350.00 - 17,499.99	184.00	4,784.00
39	7,900.00 - 8,049.99	84.00	2,184.00	103	17,500.00 - 17,649.99	185.00	4,810.00
40	8,050.00 - 8,199.99	85.00	2,210.00	104	17,650.00 - 17,799.99	187.00	4,862.00
41	8,200.00 - 8,349.99	87.00	2,262.00	105	17,800.00 - 17,949.99	188.00	4,888.00
42	8,350.00 - 8,499.99	88.00	2,314.00	106	17,950.00 - 18,099.99	190.00	4,940.00
43	8,500.00 - 8,649.99	90.00	2,366.00	107	18,100.00 - 18,249.99	192.00	4,992.00
44	8,650.00 - 8,799.99	92.00	2,418.00	108	18,250.00 - 18,399.99	193.00	5,018.00
45	8,800.00 - 8,949.99	93.00	2,444.00	109	18,400.00 - 18,549.99	195.00	5,070.00
46	8,950.00 - 9,099.99	95.00	2,496.00	110	18,550.00 - 18,699.99	196.00	5,096.00
47	9,100.00 - 9,249.99	97.00	2,548.00	111	18,700.00 - 18,849.99	198.00	5,148.00
48	9,250.00 - 9,399.99	98.00	2,574.00	112	18,850.00 - 18,999.99	200.00	5,200.00
49	9,400.00 - 9,549.99	100.00	2,626.00	113	19,000.00 - 19,149.99	201.00	5,226.00
50	9,550.00 - 9,699.99	101.00	2,652.00	114	19,150.00 - 19,299.99	203.00	5,278.00
51	9,700.00 - 9,849.99	103.00	2,704.00	115	19,300.00 - 19,449.99	204.00	5,304.00
52	9,850.00 - 9,999.99	104.00	2,730.00	116	19,450.00 - 19,599.99	206.00	5,356.00
53	10,000.00 - 10,149.99	106.00	2,782.00	117	19,600.00 - 19,749.99	208.00	5,408.00
54	10,150.00 - 10,299.99	108.00	2,834.00	118	19,750.00 - 19,899.99	209.00	5,434.00
55	10,300.00 - 10,449.99	109.00	2,860.00	119	19,900.00 - 20,049.99	211.00	5,486.00
56	10,450.00 - 10,599.99	111.00	2,912.00	120	20,050.00 - 20,199.99	212.00	5,512.00
57	10,600.00 - 10,749.99	112.00	2,938.00	121	20,200.00 - 20,349.99	214.00	5,564.00
58	10,750.00 - 10,899.99	114.00	2,990.00	122	20,350.00 - 20,499.99	216.00	5,616.00
59	10,900.00 - 11,049.99	116.00	3,042.00	123	20,500.00 - 20,649.99	217.00	5,642.00
60	11,050.00 - 11,199.99	117.00	3,068.00	124	20,650.00 - 20,799.99	219.00	5,694.00
61	11,200.00 - 11,349.99	119.00	3,120.00	125	20,800.00 - 20,949.99	220.00	5,720.00
62	11,350.00 - 11,499.99	120.00	3,146.00	126	20,950.00 - 21,099.99	222.00	5,772.00
63	11,500.00 - 11,649.99	122.00	3,198.00	127	21,100.00 - 21,249.99	223.00	5,798.00

FAIR EMPLOYMENT

NOTICE

THE WEST VIRGINIA HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

Prohibits Discrimination in Employment and Places of Public Accommodations Based On: Race, Religion, Color, National Origin, Ancestry, Sex, Age (40 or above), Blindness, or Disability

THE WEST VIRGINIA FAIR HOUSING ACT

Prohibits Discrimination in Housing Based On: Race, Religion, Color, National Origin, Ancestry, Sex, Blindness, Disability, Familial Status

THE WEST VIRGINIA PREGNANT WORKERS' FAIRNESS ACT

Prohibits Discrimination in Employment Based On: Pregnancy, Childbirth or Related Medical Conditions

For Further Information or to File a Complaint, Visit, Call or Write to the WV Human Rights Commission at:

WV Human Rights Commission Phone: 304-558-2616
 Room 108 A (Toll Free) 888-678-6546
 1321 Plaza East
 Charleston, WV 25301-1400 Fax: 304-558-0085
 Website: www.hrc.wv.gov

WAGE PAYMENT

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WEST VIRGINIA WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION ACT

This abstract must be placed in an area accessible to all employees in accordance with the requirements of W. Va. Code §21-5-9.

§21-5 REQUIRES THE EMPLOYER TO:

Pay employee wages at least twice a month, with no more than 19 days between paydays.

Compensate employees for services rendered by cash, check, direct deposit, or money order, and make arrangements with a bank convenient to the place of employment for employees to have immediate access to their wages.

When an employee is discharged, quits, resigns, is laid off, or is on strike, pay the employee on or before the next regular scheduled payday for all work he or she performed prior to his or her separation from employment.

On separation from employment, pay an employee the fringe benefits due and payable according to the time, terms, and conditions of an employer-employee agreement, whether verbal or written, if any.

Notify employees in writing at the time of hire, or by a posted notice that is accessible to all employees, identifying the employer's established work week, pay periods, regularly scheduled pay days, and employment practices and policies regarding vacation, sick leave and other fringe benefits, if any.

Provide employees with at least 1 full pay period's written notice before making any changes to an employee's rate of pay, fringe benefits, the time and place for meeting payroll, or any other existing terms or conditions of employment.

Furnish each employee with a written itemized statement of deductions withheld from his or her wages each pay period.

§21-5 PREVENTS THE EMPLOYER FROM:

Selling goods or supplies to employees at prices higher than the current market value.

Deducting more than 25% of an employee's net earnings under a wage assignment (excluding amounts required by law to be withheld or paid for union or club dues, pension plans, payroll savings plans, credit unions, charities, and hospitalization and medical insurance).

Accepting a wage assignment that does not contain the employee's notarized signature, specify the total amount due and the amount to be deducted, and state that 75% of the employee's net wages are exempt from assignment.

Refusing to pay wages owed, up to \$800.00, to the relatives of a deceased employee.

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MINIMUM WAGE

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