

# UNEMPLOYMENT

## ANSWERS TO YOUR COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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*This publication is not meant to be all inclusive and rules and regulations change often.*

*Please refer to the Colorado Unemployment Insurance website for up-to-date information and check out this guide:*

*[www.coloradoui.gov](http://www.coloradoui.gov) select "Unemployment Guide"*

### HOW DO I APPLY?

You can apply for unemployment benefits at:

[www.coloradoui.gov/myui](http://www.coloradoui.gov/myui)

or **1-800-388-5515**

Colorado law requires all persons 18 years and older to provide proof that they are lawfully present in the United States before receiving certain benefits, including unemployment insurance (UI).

You must possess and provide information regarding one of the following forms of identification (ID):

- U.S. Passport
- Valid Colorado driver's license or a valid Colorado ID card.
- United States military ID card or a military dependent ID card.
- United States Coast Guard Merchant Mariner card.
- Native American tribal document.
- Valid driver's license or ID card issued by another state or Canada.
- Non-U.S. citizens: for a list of acceptable employment authorization documents (EAD), please visit the citizenship and immigration website: <http://www.uscis.gov/>. A copy of both the front and back of EAD is required for UI benefits.

You will also be asked to provide separation information from your previous employer(s).

### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

- If you are unemployed or your hours are reduced to less than 32 hours/week, earning less than 55% of regular wage, you may file a claim for benefits.
- Eligibility is based on whether the employee is unemployed through no fault of his or her own and meets all of the eligibility requirements. Individual circumstances will be evaluated by the Department of Labor and Employment.
- You should apply for benefits the day after your last day worked.
- The amount of the benefits can be estimated with the ESTIMATOR at this site - <https://uibestimator.coworkforce.com> (55% of lost wages, up to maximum amount (\$710/wk)
- If your job reduces your hours and you begin to work part-time you may be eligible to receive a portion of your weekly benefit amount. You must report all hours and earnings when you request payment.
- Weekly benefit payments may not be paid out if there is any type of payment other than wages for that week (e.g. vacation pay).
- There is a one-week waiting period for payment starting from the date a new claim is filed.

### SEASONAL STATUS

Copper Mountain is classified as a "seasonal employer" by the Colorado Department of Labor. Seasonal wages generally do not count towards unemployment benefits for the "off-season". **NOTE:** you are always encouraged to file claim.

### JOB-ATTACHED

If you are on a Leave of Absence/laid off from a position and you have an expected return to work date within a 16 week period, you can be classified as "Job-Attached". When filing, you must select laid off, NOT leave of absence. Job-Attached means your requirements to seek work and to register with your local workforce center may be waived. Please check with your supervisor to determine if you are "Job-Attached".

**For more information, FAQs or to apply, visit:**

[www.coloradoui.gov](http://www.coloradoui.gov)

**Questions? Call our local Workforce Centers**

Frisco Workforce Center: 970.668.5360

Leadville Workforce Center: 719.486.2428

### FREE APP HELP!

DoNotPay app helps get unemployment claims processed quick—for FREE! Beat the lines/wait time.