

# **Online Filing Instructions**

**Ohio Unemployment Benefits – Information at Your Fingertips** 



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### **Getting Started**

#### What to Expect

The online initial unemployment application takes about 20-30 minutes. You will need to file a new claim if you have not applied for unemployment benefits in the past 12 months.

Your application is not considered filed until you receive a confirmation number. If you are disconnected or log out before completing your application, log back in and resume the application process.

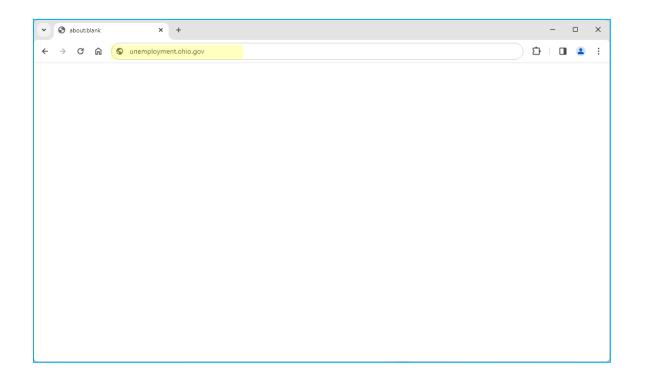
**CAUTION:** Once you start a new application online, you have 48 hours to complete it. If your application is not completed within 48 hours, all the information you previously entered will be deleted, and you will have to start from the beginning. Keep this in mind if you are disconnected or if you choose to sign off and sign on again at a later time.

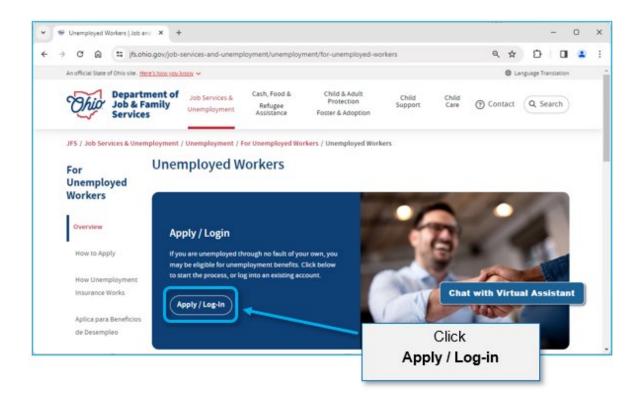
#### What You Will Need

- Your name, address, telephone number, and email address.
- Your Social Security number.
- Your employment history, including: your name, address, telephone number, and dates of employment with each employer you worked for in your last 6 weeks of employment. Have your W-2 form or pay stub available. Also be ready to provide the reason you became unemployed from each employer.
- If you had out-of-state employment within the last 18 months, you'll need the name, address, telephone number, and dates of your employment with each employer over the past 18 months.
- Your discharge papers (form DD-214, member 4) if you were separated from any branch of U.S. military service within the past 18 months,
- If you were employed by the federal government within the past 18 months, you'll need the SF-8 and SF-50 form given to you by that employer when your employment ended.
- Your dependents' names, Social Security numbers, and dates of birth.
- If claiming dependents, your spouse's name and Social Security number.
- Alien Registration number and the expiration date of your work authorization (if you are not a U.S. citizen
  or national).
- The title of your regular occupation and job skills.

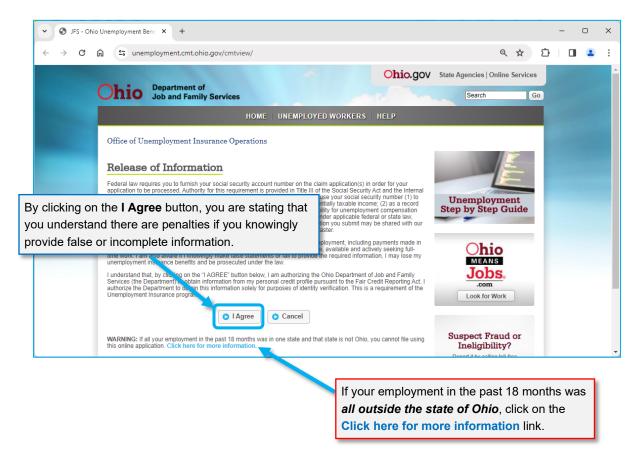
When applying online, your application will be effective the week it was filed. If you want the application to be effective for a previous week, you must apply by phone at 1-877-644-6562.

Open your browser and go to <u>unemployment.ohio.gov</u>.



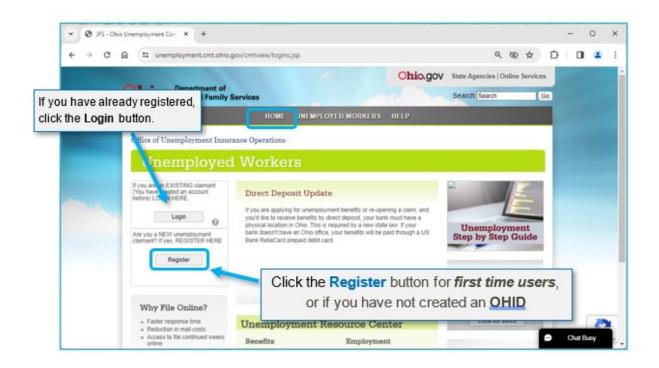


When you apply online, you are connected to a **secure** website. The first thing you must do is review and agree to the Release of Information screen.



If you are applying for the first time OR if you have not yet created an OHID, click on Register.

If you have already registered, click the **Login** button.



#### **OHID**

You need an OHID to file unemployment claims online.

#### What is OHID?

An OHID is an online user account that provides a secure, personalized experience for Ohioans to interact with multiple state agencies, programs, and services—all with a single username and password. OHID was developed by the Ohio Department of Administrative Services' InnovateOhio Platform. It meets all federal and state security standards.

When you log into your OHID account for the first time, you will be asked to provide a secondary means of receiving a temporary passcode. The purpose of the passcode is to verify your identity. You can choose to receive the passcode by email, text, or phone call. This will be a backup option if you ever lose access to your first choice, so be sure to choose an option that you will likely have access to long-term.

#### Already have an OHID account?

- 1. After you click "Login" on the above screen, you will be directed to the OHID login page.
- 2. Use your OHID credentials to log in to your OHID account.
- 3. Respond to the prompts to secure your account and verify your identity.

#### Haven't created your OHID account yet?

- After you click "Register" on the above screen, read the information on the "Let's Get You Set Up!" screen. Then click "Next" at the bottom.
- 2. You will be directed to the OHID login page.
- 3. Click "Create Account."
- 4. Verify your email address.

#### For existing claimants:

- a. Enter the email address that you currently use for your unemployment account.
  - If you share an email address with someone else, you should create one only for you. If you previously shared an email address with another person in the unemployment system, you MUST create your own email so you will have your own access.
- b. Click "Verify."

#### For new unemployment applicants:

- a. Enter the email address that you plan to use for your unemployment account.
- b. Click "Verify."
- 5. You will receive an email with a 6-digit verification code from <a href="mailto:DONOTREPLY-EnterpriseIdentity@ohio.gov">DONOTREPLY-EnterpriseIdentity@ohio.gov</a>.

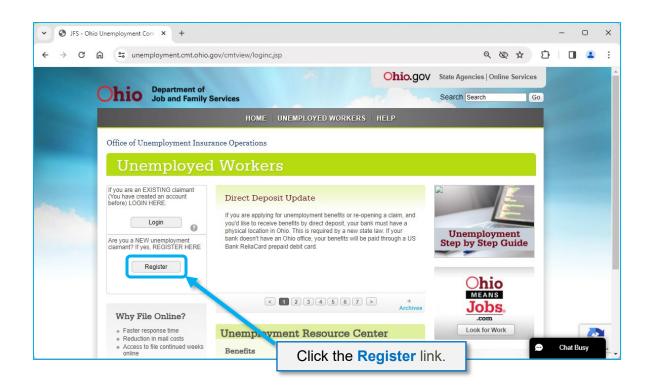
It may take several minutes to receive the registration email. If it seems to be taking a long time, please check your spam folder.

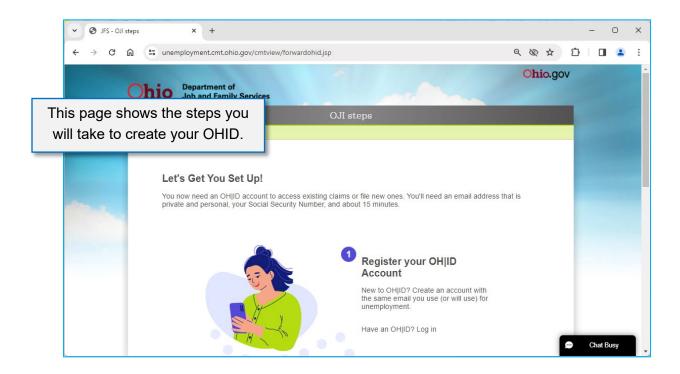
- 6. Enter this six-digit verification code in the pop-up message on the registration page. Then click "Verify."
- 7. Complete the next five steps to create your OHID account profile.
- 8. Click "Create Account."
- 9. You will receive a registration email when your new account is ready. Do not attempt to log in to your OHID until you receive this email.
- 10. Log in to your OHID account. Respond to the prompts to secure your account and verify your identity.
- 11. You will be returned to the login page.

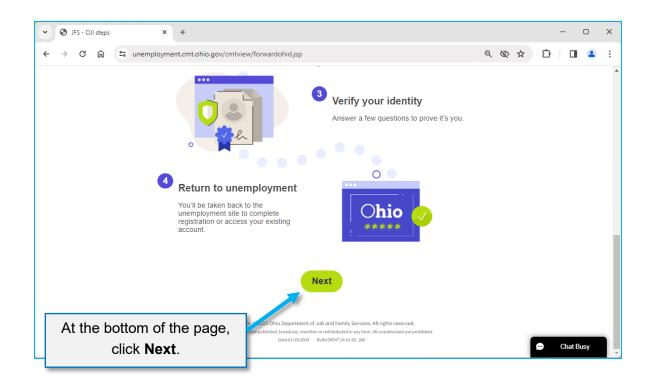
#### Need help with your OHID?

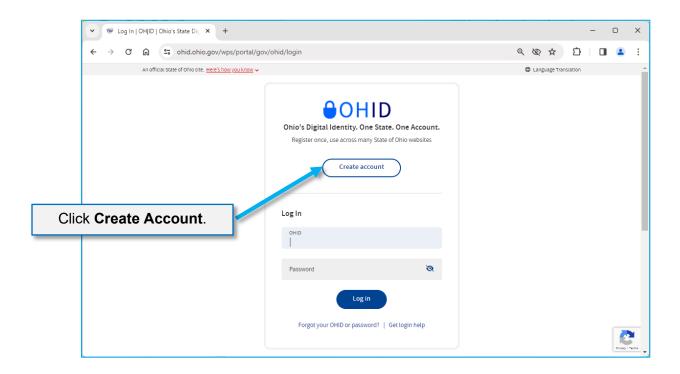
Check the OHID Help web page: ohid.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/ohid/help-center

Or call 1-877-644-6562 during business hours.



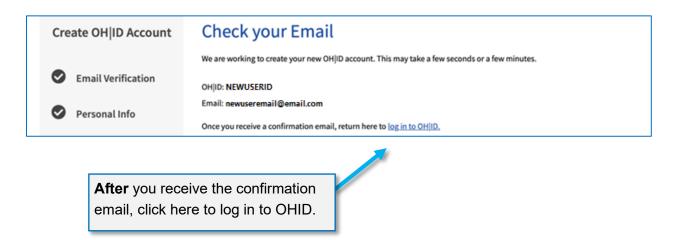




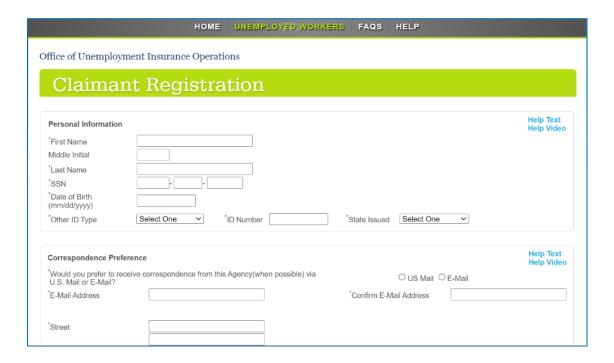


Follow the prompts to create your OHID. You will need to provide an email address. You will receive a 6-digit verification code from <a href="mailto:DONOTREPLY-EnterpriseIdentity@ohio.gov">DONOTREPLY-EnterpriseIdentity@ohio.gov</a> to confirm that email address.

Wait until you receive the confirmation email before logging in to OHID.

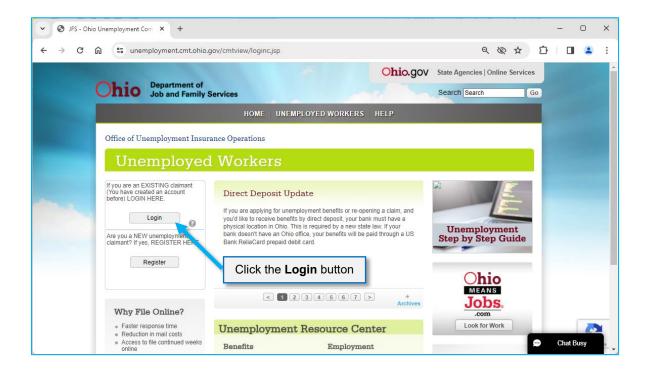


After you log into OHID with your new credentials, you will be taken to the Claimant Registration screen.



#### **Claimant Login**

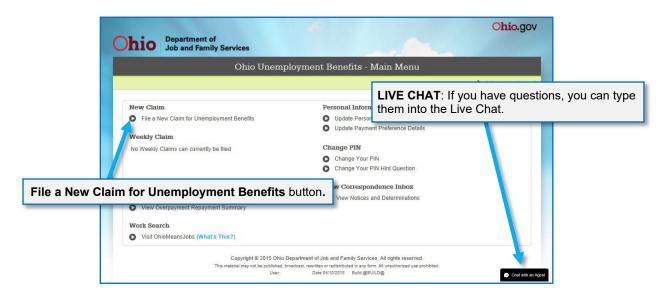
After you create your OHID and complete the Claimant Registration, click the **Login** button to access your unemployment benefits account.



## **Applying for Benefits**

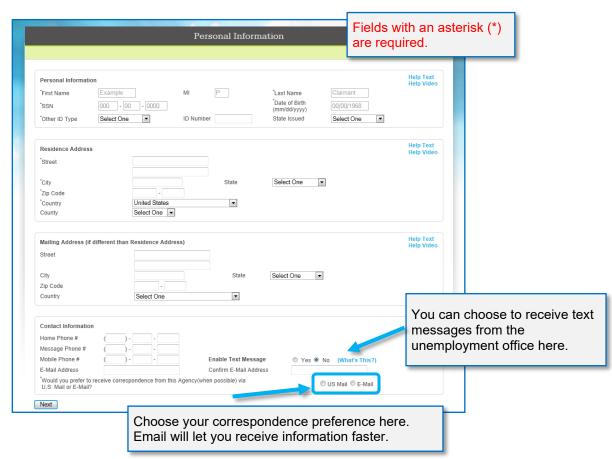
Now you can complete the application for unemployment benefits.

Click the button on the left that says File a new Claim for Unemployment Benefits.



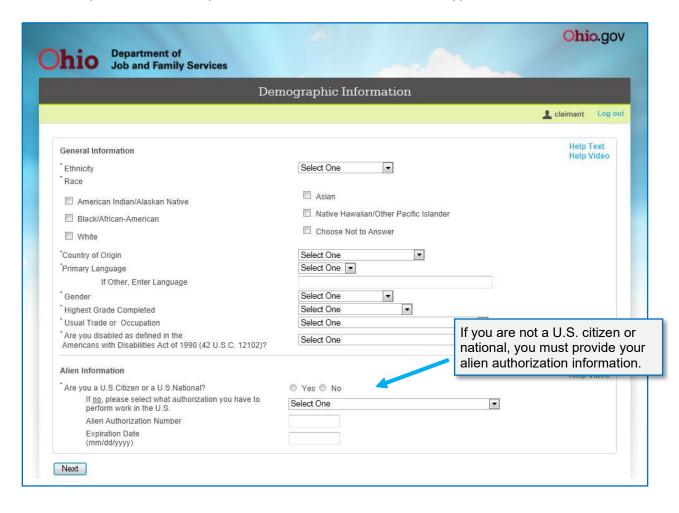
#### **Personal Information**

Answer the questions. Use the drop-down menus and click the buttons where applicable.



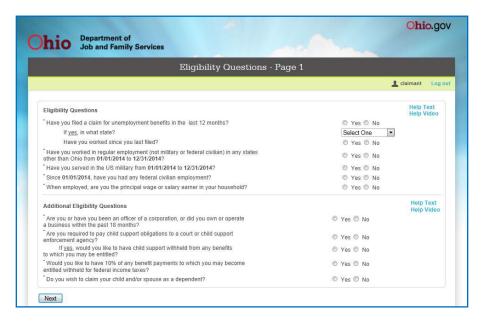
#### **Demographic Information**

Answer the questions. Use the drop-down menus and click the buttons where applicable.



#### Eligibility Questions - Page 1

Answer the questions. If you answer "Yes" to some of them, you may be taken to additional screens to give more information.

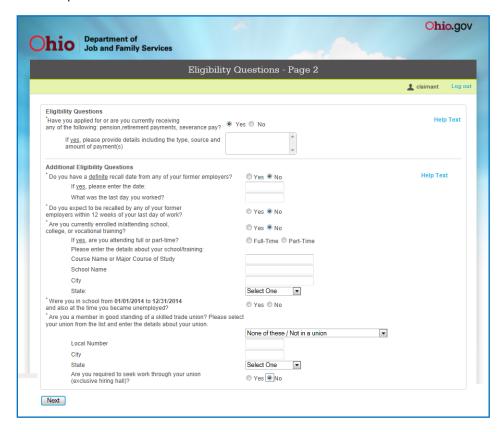


#### Here are explanations of the questions:

Question	Explanation
Have you filed a claim for unemployment benefits in the last 12 months?	Answer "Yes" if you filed a claim for benefits in any state in the past 12 months. Select the state you filed in. Answer whether you worked since you last filed.
Have you worked in regular employment (not military or federal civilian) in any state other than Ohio from (start date) to (end date)?	Answer "Yes" if you worked in Ohio <u>and</u> another state during the dates shown.
Have you served in the US military from (start date) to (end date)?	Answer "Yes" if you served in active duty for at least 90 days during the dates shown.
Since (start date), have you had any federal civilian employment?	Answer "Yes" if you worked for the federal government as a civilian.
When employed, are you the principal wage or salary earner in your household?	Answer "Yes" if you earn over 50% of the money for your household.
Are you or have you been an officer of a corporation, or did you own or operate a business within the past 18 months?	Answer "Yes" if you were an officer of a corporation (such as a president or vice president) or if you owned or operated a business.
Are you required to pay child support to a court or child support enforcement agency?	Answer "Yes" if you're required to pay child support. If you are, choose whether you'd like your child support payments to be withheld from any unemployment benefits you may receive.
Would you like to have 10% of any benefit payments to which you may become entitled withheld for federal income taxes?	Unemployment benefits are taxable under federal law. Choose whether you'd like 10% of any unemployment benefits you may receive to be withheld for tax purposes.
Do you wish to claim your child and/or spouse as a dependent?	Claiming dependents may increase your weekly benefits. Answer "Yes" if you'd like to claim dependents.

#### **Eligibility Questions – Page 2**

Answer the additional questions.



#### Here are explanations of the questions on this screen:

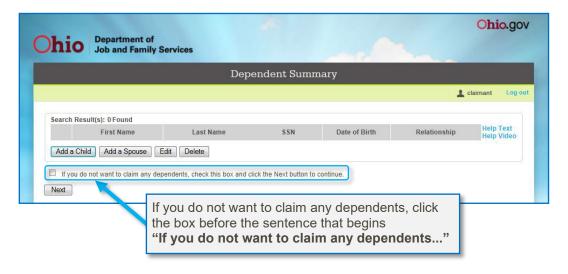
QUESTION	EXPLANATION
Have you applied for or are you currently receiving:  • A pension?  • Retirement payments?  • Severance pay?	Answer "Yes" if you receive any of these. If you do, type the name of the organization providing the payments, the amount you receive (or will receive), the frequency of payments (weekly, monthly, lump sum, etc.), and when the payments began or will begin.
Do you have a definite recall date from any of your former employers?	Answer "Yes" if an employer has given you a return-to-work date. Provide the return-to-work date and your last day worked.
Do you expect to be recalled by any of your former employers within 12 weeks of your last day of work?	Answer "Yes" if you expect to be recalled to work by a former employer within 3 months of your last day worked.
Are you <i>currently</i> enrolled in/attending school, college, or vocational training?	Answer "Yes" if you are attending school <b>now</b> . Provide the requested details about your school and course of study. If you plan to attend school in the future and have not started classes, answer "No" and call 1-877-644-6562 before classes begin.

Are you a member in good standing of a skilled trade union? Please select your union from the list and enter the details about your union.

Most unions do not have hiring halls. If you seek work *only through a union hiring hall*, and are placed with employers by the union hall, locate the union from the drop-down list. If this does not apply to you, make no selection from the drop-down list. The system will default to "None of these/Not in a union."

#### **Dependent Summary**

If you would like to claim a dependent spouse or children, you can do so on this screen.



#### **Dependent Child Details**

To claim a child, stepchild, or adopted child, enter the requested information.

You must provide your children's Social Security numbers to claim them.



#### **Dependent Spouse Details**

To claim a spouse, enter the requested information.



#### Spouse's Information

You will see this screen only if you claimed a child(ren) as a dependent but not your spouse.

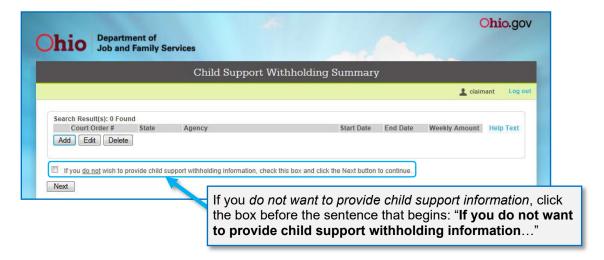
**If you are married and wish to claim a dependent child,** you must provide your spouse's information, even if you are not claiming your spouse as a dependent.



#### **Child Support Withholding**

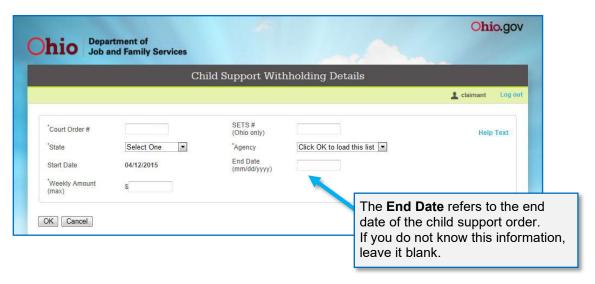
If you have a court order, you may elect to have child support withheld from your unemployment benefits. No more than 50% of your unemployment benefits can be used for child support.

To provide child support withholding information, click on the **Add** button.



Enter the requested information. The Start Date will be filled in based upon the effective date of your claim.

**If you don't know some of the information requested, leave the space blank.** Our system will obtain the information through state records.



#### **Reporting Your Reason for Unemployment**

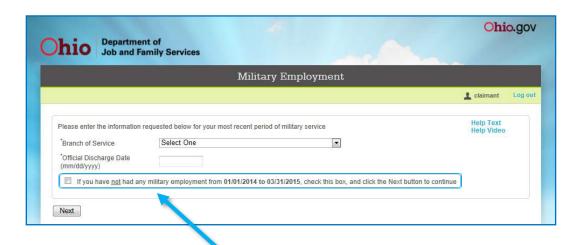
On the next several screens, report your employment information. You also must provide the reason you are no longer working. Below are some common reasons.

- Lack of Work/Laid Off: The organization may have closed, downsized, gone out of business, been destroyed, experienced financial difficulties, gone bankrupt, lost a contract, or had too many workers. You may be furloughed or laid off.
- **Discharge/Fired:** The employer ended their relationship with you because they weren't happy with your work or conduct or because you violated a policy. You weren't allowed to keep working.
- Quit: You ended your employment voluntarily when you could have kept working.
- Leave of Absence: You're still employed but not working for other reasons (such as medical leave, adoption leave, etc.).
- **Still Employed:** You're still employed, but you're working reduced hours.
- **Disciplinary Leave/Suspension:** You're still employed but have been ordered not to work for disciplinary reasons or while an investigation is being conducted.

#### Military Employment

If you answered "Yes" to the question about military employment on the Eligibility Questions - Page 1 screen, you will be directed here to provide additional information.

Answer the questions and click **Next** to move on.

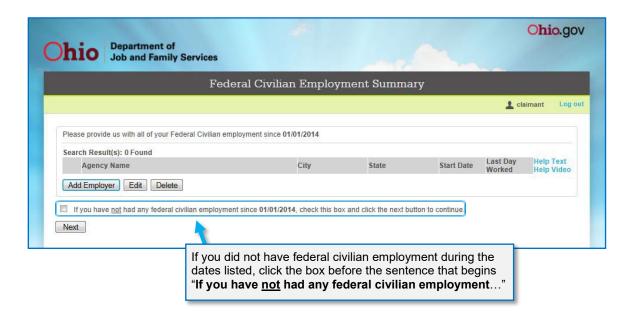


If you did not have military employment during the dates listed, click the box before the sentence that begins "If you have <u>not</u> had any military employment…"

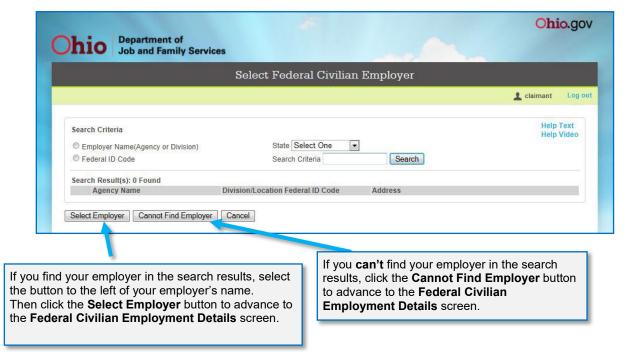
#### **Federal Civilian Employment**

If you answered "Yes" to the question about federal civilian employment on the Eligibility Questions - Page 1 screen, you will be directed here to provide additional information.

Click on the **Add Employer** button to move to the next screen.



To report a federal civilian employer, select the Search Criteria you wish to use. Then enter the appropriate information and click the **Search** button. You can find the 3-digit federal ID code on your Standard Form 8. You should have received this form when you left federal civilian employment.

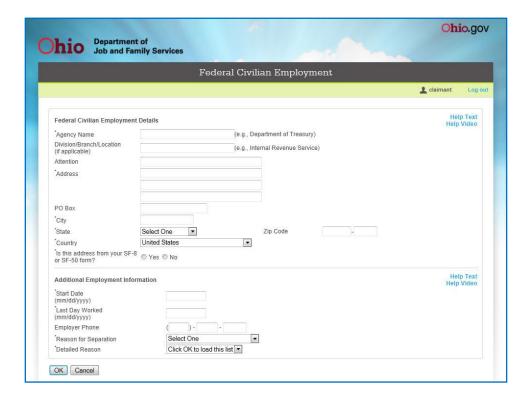


#### **Federal Civilian Employment (continued)**

If you found your employer among the search results, you will see this screen. It will show the agency, division/branch/location, address, city, state, zip code, and country.

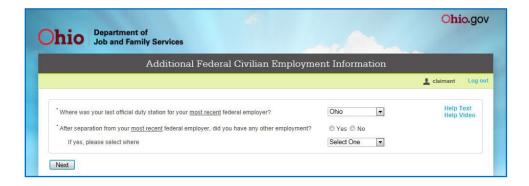
If you could **not** find your employer and selected the "Cannot Find Employer" button on the previous screen, the boxes on this screen will not contain information.

You must fill out this screen completely to ensure that your claim is processed.



#### **Additional Federal Employment Information**

Answer the questions using the drop-down menus and buttons. Then click Next.

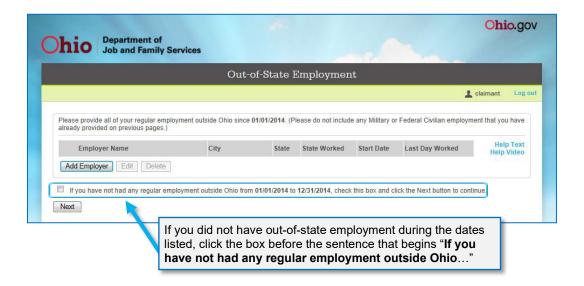


#### **Out-of-State Employment**

If you reported on the **Eligibility Questions - Page 1** screen that, sometime during the last 12 months, you filed a claim for unemployment benefits in a state other than Ohio, you will be directed here to provide additional information.

To add an out-of-state employer, click the **Add Employer** button.

You must add each out-of-state employer you have worked for during the dates shown.



To be eligible for benefits in Ohio, you must have worked in Ohio. It's OK if you also worked in other states.

If our system can't determine whether you had Ohio wages, you will receive a questionnaire so you can provide more information. You must respond within 5 business days, or your application will be denied.

If your claim is denied because you had no Ohio wages, you will receive a determination notice. The notice will state that you may apply for benefits in a state where you had employment.

It may take up to two weeks to receive this determination notice.

#### **Out-of-State Employment (continued)**

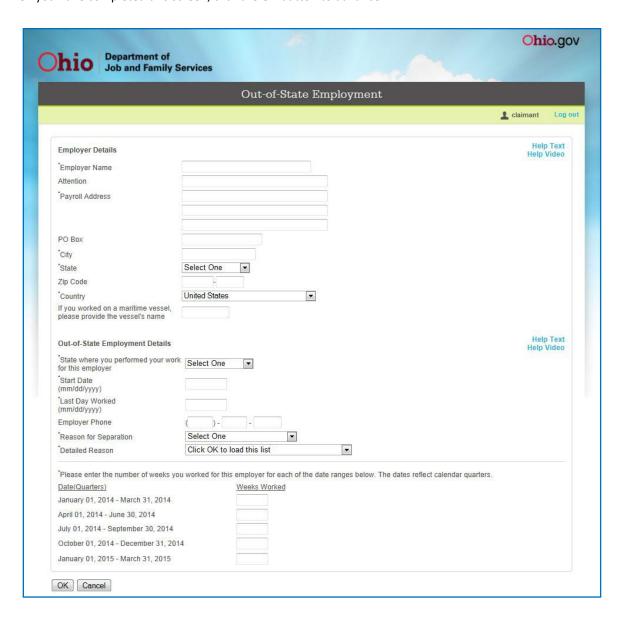
If you worked in Ohio **and** at least one other state during the last 18 months, answer the questions on this screen for your out-of-state employment.

Report all of your out-of-state employment during this time period. You must fill out this screen completely to ensure that your claim is processed.

Enter either your employer's physical address OR their PO Box. **Do not enter both.** In the PO Box field, you still must include the words "PO Box."

If you worked during any of the time periods listed at the bottom of the screen, be sure to provide the number of weeks you worked during each quarter.

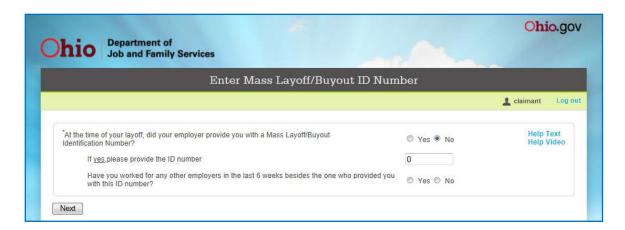
When you have completed this screen, click the **OK** button to advance.



#### Mass Layoff / Buyout I.D. Number

If you were given a Mass Layoff/Buyout Identification Number on the last day you worked, select "YES." Then type the number in the field.

Answer the last question to report whether you worked for any other employers during the previous six weeks.



#### Employment History – only one employer

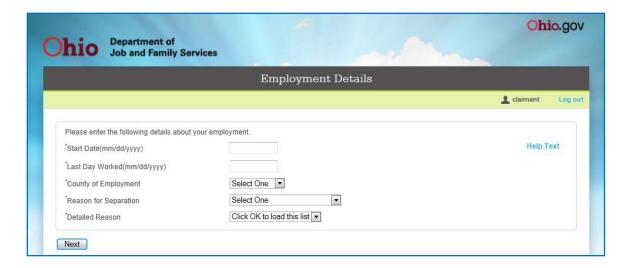
If only one employer reported wage information for you in the past 18 months, you will be brought to this screen.

Answer "No" if you worked for only one employer since the date shown.



#### Employment History - only one employer (continued)

You will see this screen only if you responded "**No**" to the question "Have you worked for more than one employer since (start date)?" Enter the requested information, using the drop-down options.



#### **Recent Employment History**

Provide all of your employment for your last six weeks of work. If your employer gave you a mass-layoff/buyout number, and if you did not work for another employer in the last six weeks, you will not see this screen.

Do not include military service, federal civilian employment, or any out-of-state employment that you already provided on previous pages. If your most recent employer was in military service, federal civilian employment, or out-of-state employment, do not re-enter the employer.

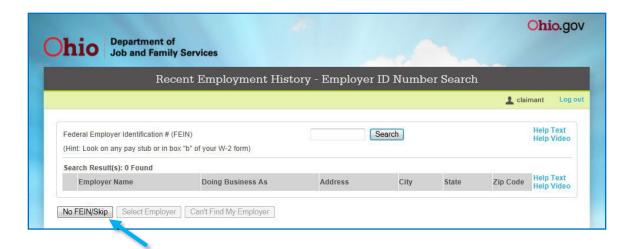
Click the Add Employer button to search for your most recent employer.



#### Recent Employment History – Employer I.D. #

You may search for your most recent employer using the employer's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN). This number usually is located on your W-2 form or pay stub. When searching for your employer, **do not include dashes**.

If you do not know your employer's FEIN, click the **No FEIN/Skip** button.



#### **Recent Employment Name & ZIP Code**

Enter as much of the employer's name as you know. Then enter the ZIP code and click the **Search** button. If you are unsure of the ZIP code, you don't have to include it.



See the next page for helpful hints.

#### **Helpful Hints for Locating an Employer**

- If you have the employer's FEIN, you can use it to search for your employer. You can usually find it on your W-2 form or pay stub.
- Search for the name that your employer uses on your pay stub. The name on the building you worked in may not be the name the employer uses for unemployment purposes.

- If your employer's name contains several words, try searching the first word or two in the name. Then add additional words, as needed. (Example: If your employer is "ABC Warehouse and Storage Company," start with "ABC Warehouse.")
- If your employer's name contains the word "and," try searching using either the "&" symbol or the word "and." (Example: Search "ABC Warehouse & Storage Company" or "ABC Warehouse and Storage Company.")
- Try searching for the employer using the owner's name.

#### Recent Employment History – Select Employer

If the system finds an employer, the information for that employer will appear on this screen.

When you locate your employer, select the button to the left of the employer's name. Then click the **Select Employer** button.

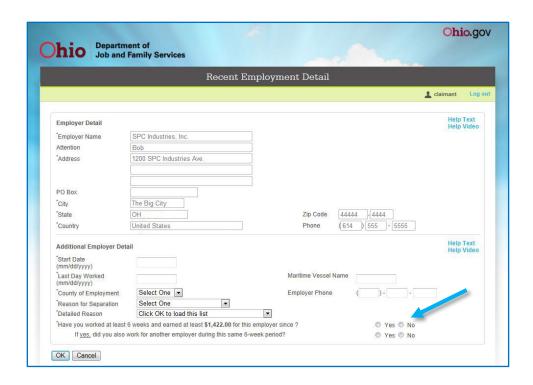


#### Recent Employment Detail (if you find your employer)

If you find your employer using the search functions, the upper portion of this screen will contain pre-filled fields that can't be changed.

Complete the **Additional Employer Detail** section of the screen.

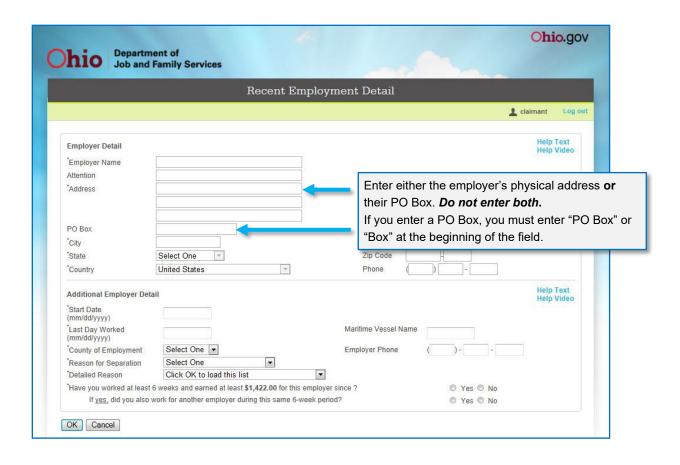
For the question "Have you worked at least 6 weeks and earned at least..." respond "Yes" if you worked at least 1 day a week for 6 weeks for the employer AND if you earned at least the amount shown.



#### Recent Employment Detail (if you can't find your employer)

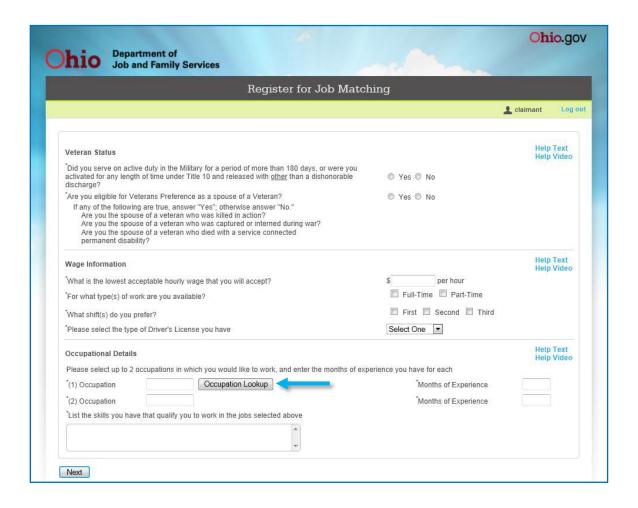
If you can't find your employer using the search functions, enter the employer's contact information here. This is necessary for your claim to be processed. You can usually find this information on a recent pay stub or W-2 form. If you don't have a recent pay stub or W-2, try calling the employer for this information.

Enter either the employer's physical address OR their PO Box. *Do not enter both*. If you enter a PO Box, you must enter "PO Box" or "Box" at the beginning of the field.



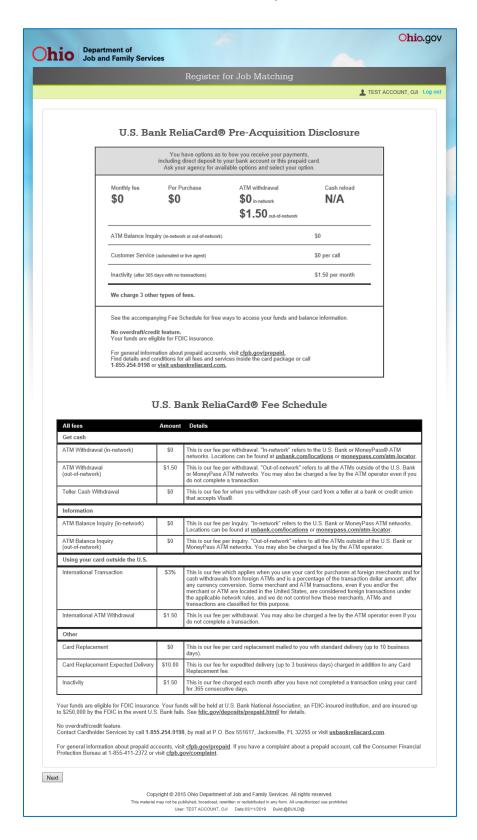
#### **Register for Job Matching**

You must register for job matching. Select the **Occupation Lookup** button. Then select 2 occupations you'd like to work in.



#### U.S. Bank ReliaCard

You can choose to receive benefits either through direct deposit or on a pre-paid U.S. Bank ReliaCard debit card. Either way, you must read the information on this screen. After you do, click "Next."

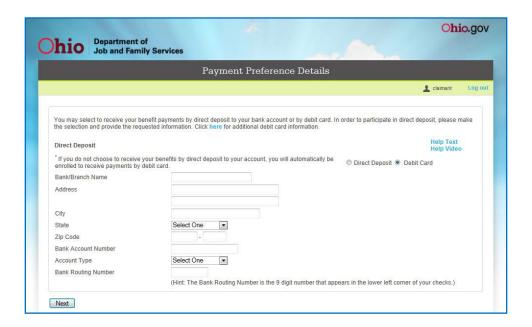


#### **Direct Deposit**

You will be directed to this screen if you chose direct deposit as your preferred payment method on the Personal Information screen. Enter **your Bank Name, Bank Account Number, Account Type**, and **Bank Routing Number.** See the bottom of this page for help locating your banking information.

If you choose direct deposit, your bank must have a physical office in Ohio. If your bank does not have a physical location in Ohio, you will receive your benefits on a U.S. Bank ReliaCard debit card.

If you change your mind about your payment preference, you can always change it later on your Personal Information screen.



#### **Locating Your Banking Information**

Always provide the banking information from your personal checks. The information that appears on your deposit slips may be different and could delay benefit payments.

Your bank name should appear immediately below the "Dollars" line.

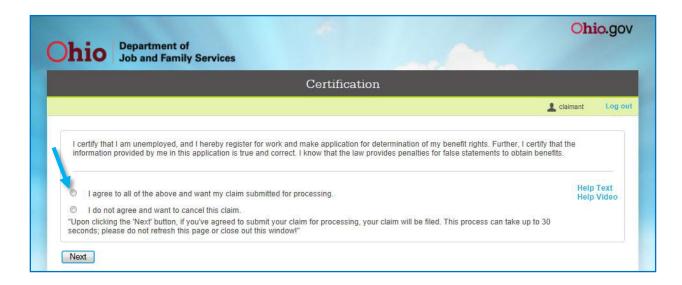


#### Certification

If you want your claim submitted for processing, click "I agree to all..." and then Next.

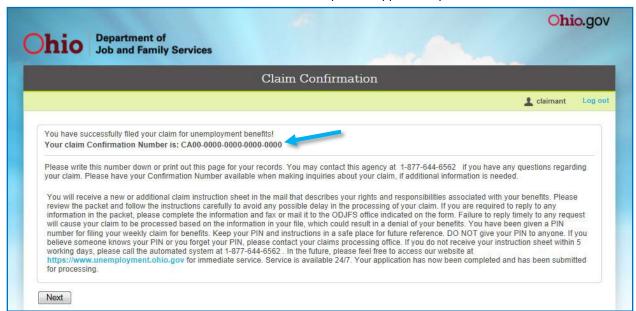
You must do this within 48 hours of starting your application. If you don't, your information will be deleted, and you'll have to start over.

After you click Next, do not refresh this page or close this window while you wait for the next screen to appear!



#### **Claim Confirmation**

You will receive a **Confirmation Number**. This is the final step in the application process.



#### Congratulations!

You have completed your application for unemployment benefits! You will receive a **New Claim Instruction Sheet** with instructions for filing your weekly claims.

#### If You Are Asked to Provide Documents

If you are asked to submit copies of documents to prove your identity, you can now do so at any participating Post Office. Providing the documents at your nearest Post Office will speed processing time. There is no cost to use this method, and no appointment is needed.

This option is available to claimants who apply for benefits on or after Jan. 26, 2024, and are prompted to provide copies of documents during the initial application process. If you choose the Post Office option, you will get a confirmation email with a barcode, detailed instructions, and a deadline. You will have up to seven days to provide the documents after you receive the barcode.

If you prefer not to visit a Post Office, you still can submit the documents directly to the unemployment office. However, in certain situations, a Post Office may be a good option – for example, if you don't have an OHID, if you don't have an address, or if you have an out-of-state ID. In certain cases, if the identity verification at a Post Office is unsuccessful or incomplete, you may be asked to submit documents directly to the unemployment office.

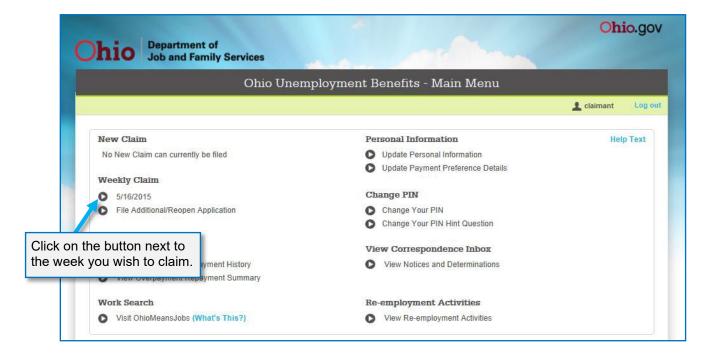
## **Filing Weekly Claims**

To be paid, you must file claims for each week that you are unemployed or earn less than your weekly benefit amount.

Most people are required to file claims every week. However, if you choose to receive correspondence by U.S. mail, after you file 3 weeks of weekly claims, you will be required to file biweekly claims instead.

To file a weekly claim, click on the button next to the week you wish to claim.

You must claim weeks in chronological order (oldest to most current week). If you don't, you may not be able to claim them online.

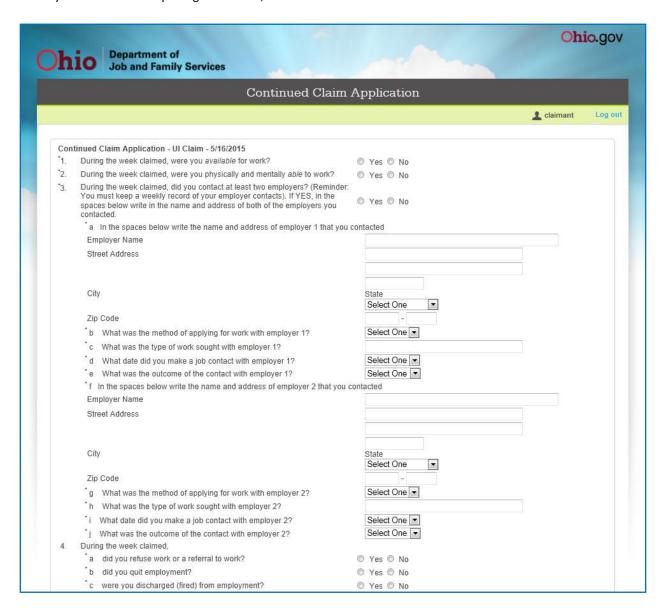


#### **Continued Claim Application**

The questions that appear on this page may be different from the ones that appear on your screen. The questions will reflect your individual circumstances.

Answer all questions honestly and correctly. There are penalties for making false statements to obtain benefits. See the next page of this guide for an explanation of each question.

When you're finished completing this screen, click Next.



# **Explanation of Questions on the Continued Claim Application Screen**

QUESTION	EXPLANATION
During the week claimed, were you <i>available</i> for work?	Answer "Yes" if you were available to work – for example, if a former employer or new employer called you for work.
During the week claimed, were you physically and mentally <b>able</b> to work?	Answer "Yes" if you were able to work – in other words, if you were not sick or under a doctor's care.
During the week claimed, did you contact at least two employers?  (You must keep a weekly record of your employer contacts.)	Answer "Yes" if you applied for work with at least two different employers who hire in your trade or occupation.
During the week claimed, (a) Did you refuse work or a referral to work? (b) Did you quit employment? (c) Were you discharged (fired) from employment?	Answer "No" if you did <b>not</b> refuse work or a work referral from the unemployment office, if you did <b>not</b> quit a job, and if you were <b>not</b> fired during the week you're claiming for benefits.
During the week claimed, did you apply for (or was there a change in the amount of) a pension or any other type of retirement payment?	Answer "No" if you did not apply for, begin receiving, or have a payment change for a pension or any other type of retirement payment.
Did you receive, or will you receive, holiday pay for a holiday that occurred during the week claimed?	Answer "No" if you did not receive holiday pay for the week you're claiming for benefits.  If <b>yes</b> , you must provide the gross amount you received (or will receive) in the field directly below the question.
Did you work (full-time or part-time) or were you self-employed during the week claimed?	Answer "No" if you did not work at all during the week.  If you filed your application by phone and worked during the week, your earnings were not recorded. You must report them on this screen.  If yes, you must provide the gross amount you received or will receive in the field directly below the question.  Provide a return-to-work date only if you returned to full-time work during this week. Be sure to provide your earnings.

#### Weekly Claim - Certification

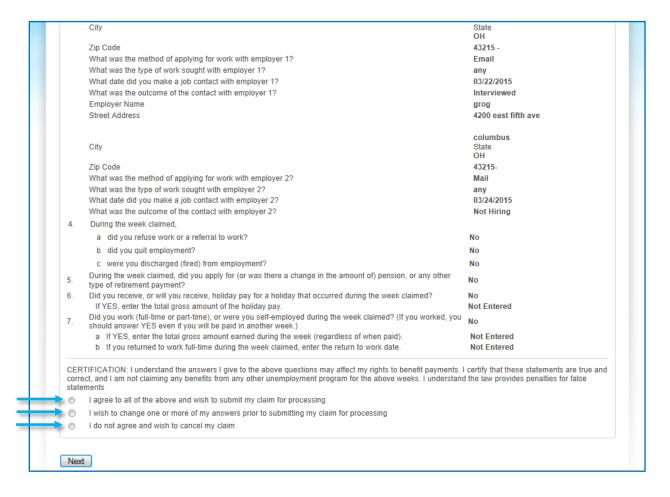
Review the answers you provided on the previous page. Also review the certification statement at the bottom.

If you agree, click the button next to the sentence that begins "I agree to all..."

If you want to change your answers, click the button next to the sentence that begins "I wish to change..."

**If you do not agree** and wish to cancel the weekly claim, click the button next to the sentence that begins "I do not agree..."

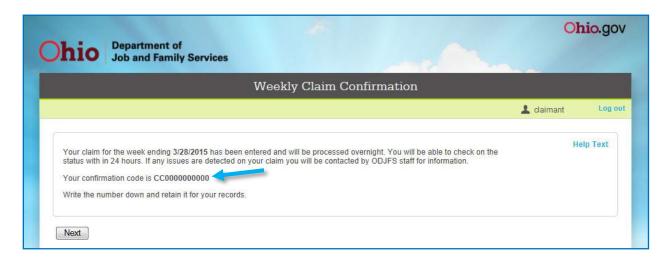
When you have completed this screen, click Next.



### **Weekly Claim Confirmation**

Record your confirmation number. Then click Next.

You will be returned to the main menu.



Continue claiming all weeks that you are unemployed or earn less than your weekly benefit amount.

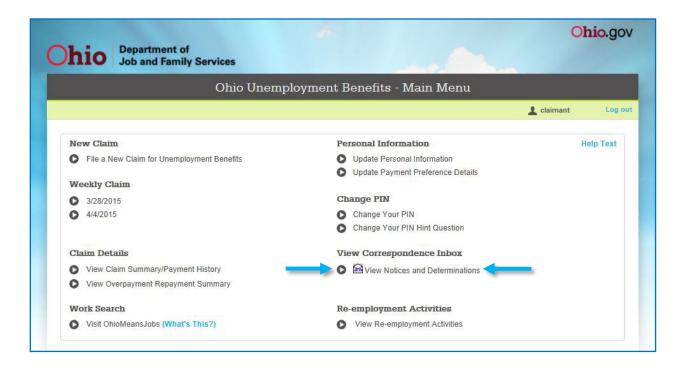
You MUST file no later than 21 days after the last day of the week you are claiming.

After that, your claim will be considered late. It will be denied unless you can show that the late filing was for reasons beyond your control.

If for any reason you can't claim benefits for more than a few days, call 1-877-644-6562 immediately.

## **Viewing Correspondence**

To view your correspondence, click the button that appears to the left of View Notices and Determinations.



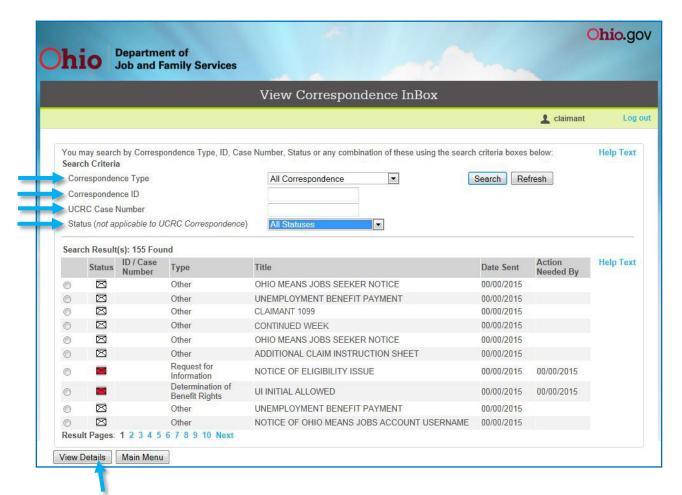
#### **Most Common Types of Correspondence**

- **UI (Unemployment Insurance) Initial Allowed/Denied:** This tells you if your application for benefits was allowed or denied.
  - o If **allowed**, the determination notice will provide your benefit year start and end dates, your weekly benefit amount, other information about the decision, and the total amount of benefits that are potentially payable. Each time you are paid benefits, that amount will be subtracted from your total benefits. Any remaining amount will no longer be payable after your benefit year ends, unless you requalify for additional benefits.
  - o If **denied**, the determination notice will say why your application was denied.
- **UI (Unemployment Insurance) Additional:** This tells you if your "additional/restart" application was allowed or denied.
- **Notice of Eligibility Issue:** This explains that an issue may affect your eligibility. You may be required to provide information.
- **Unemployment Benefit Payment:** This is your pay stub for unemployment benefits. It will show your weekly benefit amount, deductions, net payment, and remaining benefit balance.
- Claimant 1099: This is your tax statement for benefits received during a specific tax year.

### **Using the Correspondence Filters**

Use these options to filter your correspondence. This can be helpful if you're trying to find a particular correspondence.

If you choose not to filter, **all** correspondence will appear in the list.



When you find the correspondence you're looking for, click the button to the left of the document. Then click on the **View Details** button.

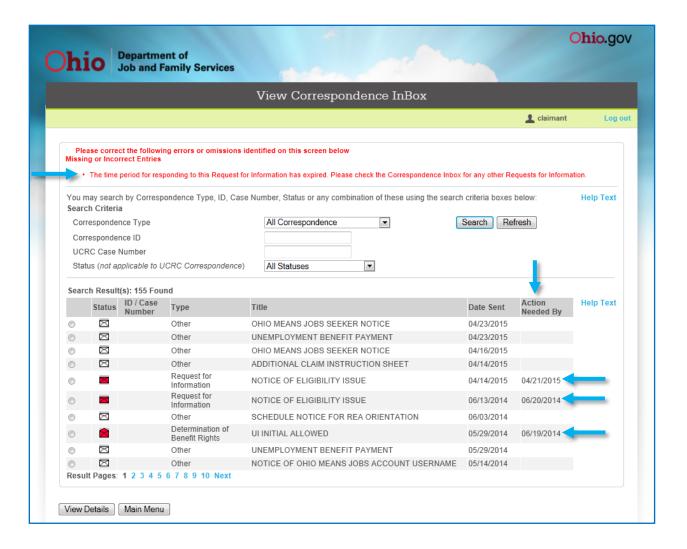
### Viewing Correspondence Past the "Action Needed By" Date

You are responsible for viewing your correspondence and responding in a timely manner.

**Be sure to respond before the "Action Needed By" date.** If you try to view correspondence after the "Action Needed by" date, you will see the following message:

• The time period for responding to this Request for Information has expired. Please check the Correspondence Inbox for any other Requests for Information.

You may call 1-877-644-6562 for more information about the correspondence.

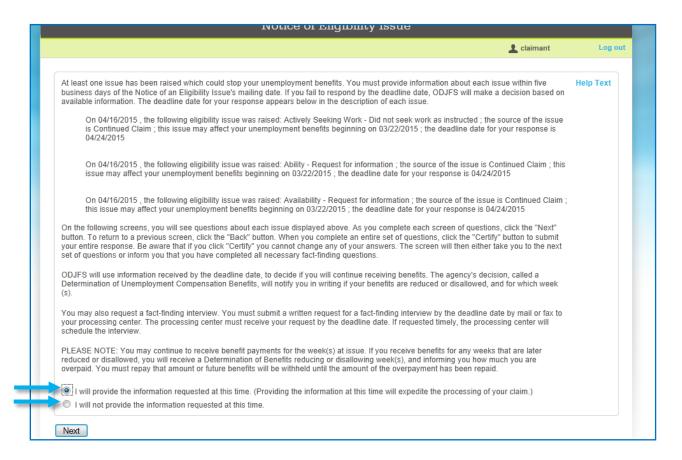


#### Reviewing/Responding to a Notice of Eligibility

If you receive a **Notice of Eligibility Issue**, you must review the information and then click one of the buttons at the bottom.

To respond immediately (recommended), click the button to the left of the sentence that begins "I will provide the information requested at this time." Then click Next.

If you don't want to respond now, select the button to the left of the sentence that begins "I will not provide the information requested at this time." Then click Next.



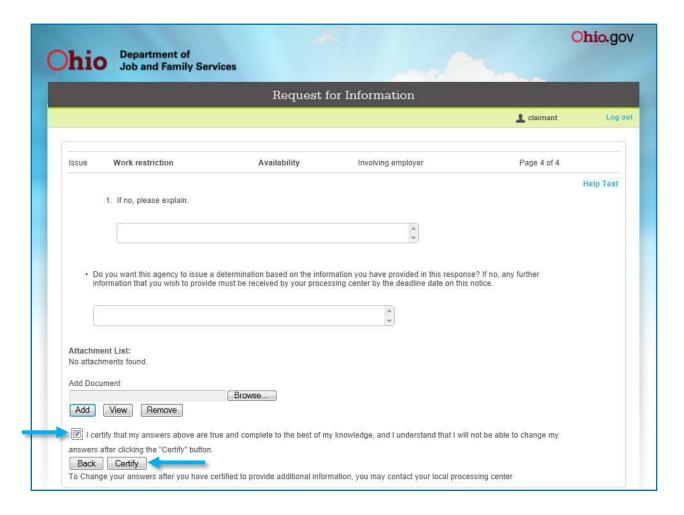
#### **Answering Eligibility Questionnaires**

If you receive a **Request for Information** (sometimes called fact-finding), answer all the questions.

Then select the check box saying you agree with the certification statement.

Then click on the **Certify** button.

To change your answers after you certify, you must call 1-877-644-6562.



# **Restarting Your Application / Claim**

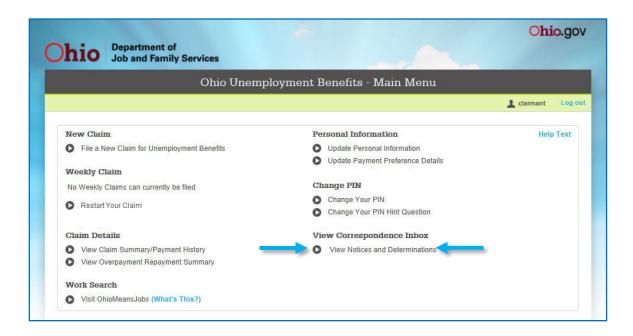
If you stop submitting weekly claims OR if you earned more than your weekly benefit amount, you may need to restart your claim.

If restarting is an option, you will see "Restart Your Claim" on this screen. Click the button to the left of these words if you would like to restart your claim.



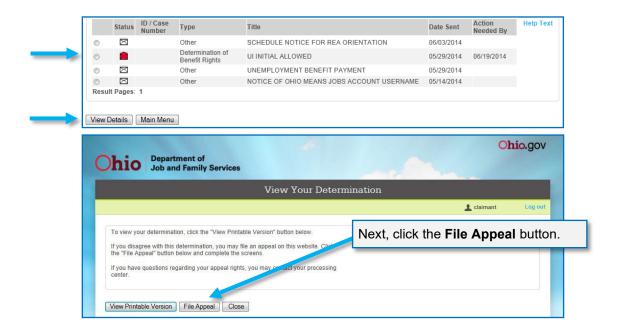
# **Filing an Appeal**

To file an appeal, log in to your account. From the Main Menu, click the button to the left of "View Notices and Determinations."



#### Filing an Appeal - Step 1

Select the determination you disagree with. Then click the View Details button.



#### Filing an Appeal - Step 2

Enter the requested information using the buttons and the drop-down menu.

Provide a statement explaining why you disagree with the determination.

**Warning:** The text box will hold only **1,500** characters. If your statement is longer than 1,500 characters, provide just a brief statement in the text box. Then send the remaining information by U.S. mail or fax (1-614-752-4810). In your text box statement, be sure to say **"additional information will be sent by U.S. mail"** or **"additional information will be sent by fax."** 

Then click Certify.



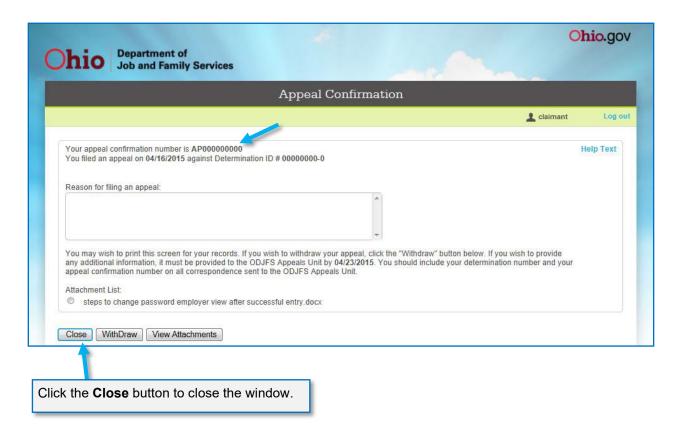
### **Appeal Confirmation**

You will receive an appeal confirmation number.

Continue to file claims for any weeks you remain unemployed. If the appeal is decided in your favor, you may receive payment only for weeks that were properly claimed and are otherwise payable.

If you want to withdraw your appeal, click the Withdraw button.

Otherwise, click Close.



# **System Requirements**

**Browser Support:** To best protect confidential and other important data, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services websites no longer support several outdated web browsers. This includes Internet Explorer 6 or older, Opera 4 or older, and Netscape Navigator. You can download the most recent version of Internet Explorer here and the most recent version of Opera here.

**Adobe Acrobat Reader:** You must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, version 4.02 or higher, installed on your computer to view documents in your inbox. For best results, use the latest version of Adobe Acrobat Reader. You can download a free version at <a href="mailto:get.adobe.com/reader">get.adobe.com/reader</a>.

**Important:** When filing your claim online, do not use the back button on your browser. This will cause an error in processing your application.

To change your responses on previous screens, you must:

- 1. Log out.
- 2. Log back in.
- 3. Advance through each of the previously completed screens, making any changes necessary.





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