

Unemployment Tips: 8/9/21

1. While the weekly \$300 bump has ended early, you may still qualify for unemployment.
2. If you are opening a new claim, you are no longer unemployed due to COVID for lack of work.
3. You may qualify for other COVID reasons, but production is no longer shut down.
4. Put NO for disaster and Covid questions.
5. If you qualify, you should keep filing weekly certifications. – Also, be sure to report your availability through the local!
6. If you work and are continuing to file weekly certifications, **be sure to put STILL EMPLOYED** on all the pages it is an option.
7. IF you pick layoff or anything else, it kicks you out, you miss a week and you have to go through waiting periods again.
8. Unemployment DOES NOT UNDERSTAND our industry.
9. You can also list still employed instead of layoff when refiling a new claim.
10. When you are refiling, you can also choose still employed and when it asks for an explanation, say “waiting for next project to be assigned”
11. Newly reopened claims are requiring everyone to go through ID.me.
12. You can only do it when filing the claim or the weekly certification, or it doesn't work right.
13. Have your driver's license and social handy and ready. They also do a face scan, so it is extra fun to try to get that to work. It took us over a half hour to get through the identification portion last week when someone came in.

Otherwise all the steps and rules from earlier emails still apply. – looking for details – Look at the [Unemployment Portal](#) on the 478 page.