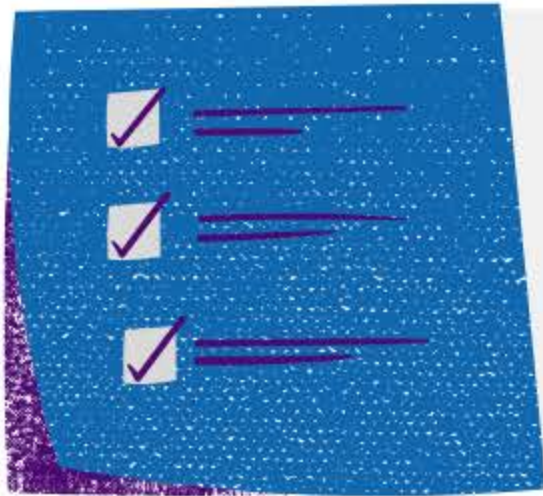


# WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS RELATED TO COVID-19

## CHANGES TO REQUIREMENTS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS IN FLORIDA

Florida has dropped the one week waiting period for eligibility. For some, the work search requirement has been waived. Check the DEO website for qualifications.



## HOW HAVE BENEFITS BEEN EXPANDED?

Benefits expanded by \$600/week between April 5 and July 31, 2020. Florida's maximum payment is \$275 so the total benefit would be \$875. Benefits have been expanded by 13 weeks, this means a claimant can receive 25 total weeks. The 12 weeks Florida allows & the federally funded additional 13 weeks.

## CAN I APPLY AN UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIM ONLINE?

The Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) has launched a new website & app to assist with claims. Try applying an unemployment claim at off hours for perhaps a better result.



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