

# **CHECK LIST FOR FILING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

Have the following items ready before applying:

# □Application

□Last employer Job letter (lay-off/discharged or resignation letter if you quit)

DD214 copy 4 (US Armed Force)

□ SF 8 / SF 50 (If employed in Federal Civilian service)

□**Last pay stub from current job** (Also, if you received or will receive separation pay, such as, vacation, severance, holiday pay etc., you will need to submit a copy of your paystubs)

□**Social security card** (If you've lost it, call the Social Security office or apply online and get a new card)

# DValid Identification Card

 $\Box$ **Alien Card** (If non-citizen: bring your alien registration/green card or other documents issued by the Immigration and Naturalization Service or any documents that show your immigration status)

 $\Box$ **Pension** (If you are collecting a pension other than Social Security, you will need to submit the pension statement.

### □Résumé

*The following will be provided by our agency for completion:* 

□ V.I. Electronic Workforce System (VIeWs) Username □Signed Acknowledgement of Receipt - Claimant (BRI) Handbook

□Collecting U.I Benefits while working (initials)

# □Tax withholding

□ Direct Deposit Agreement form

# **INTERNAL OFFICE ONLY**

**DOL Representative Initial's:** 

**Claimant appointment date:** 

Please stamp today's date:



### **APPLICATION FORM**

LAST NAM	E:	FIRST NAME:									
SOCIAL SE	CURITY #:	Today's Date:									
Address:	Street:										
Address.	City/State:	ate: Zip:									
Mailing	Street:										
Address:	City/State:		Zip:								
Day Phone:		Alternate Phone:									
E-Mail Addr	ess:	Gender:	Male		Female						
Date of Birth	Are you registered for Se		Yes		No						
	American Indian/Alaskan Native Black/African American Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Islander	White Asian Other	HNICITY: Hispanic or Lat Not Hispanic of Decline to Ansy	r Lati	no						
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	ENT STATUS: Are you currently working?:										
If no, what k	ind of work are you looking for? Or main occupa	ion?									
CITIZENSH	IP:										
Are you US	Citizen/Naturalized?	Yes	No								
Are you in s	atisfactory immigration status?	Yes	No								
Enter your A	lien Registration Number?		Expiration Date								
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:         Current or former Foster Youth         Refugee / Asylee         Homeless         Receiving Public Assistance         (GA, TANF, Food Stamps, RCA, SSI)											
VETERAN	STATUS: (check applicable)										
Veteran sta	us: $\Box$ U.S. Veteran $\Box$ Other eligible (S	pouse of 100% disable veter	an)								
Branch of S	nch of Service: 🛛 Air Force 🔹 Army 🖓 Coast Guard 🖓 Marines 🖓 Navy Service dates:										
Branch of S	ch of Service:   Reserves  National Guard Service Dates:										
Discharge:	□ Honorable □ Honorable w/Con	ndition 🛛 Other Than Hono	rable								
	Bad Conduct Dishonorable	Medical Service Condt	ition								
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Complete all items below for each job employment with a government Agency.	-						-			-
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1. Company:					Type of Work Performed:					
Address:						son for Separation:				
Telephone # (Include Area Code)						Laid off /Lack of Work		Retired		Leave of absence
Dates Worked:						Reduced Hours		Resign/Quit		On Call
From:	To:					Fired / Discharged		Suspended		Labor Dispute
						Contract ended		Terminated		Millitary Separation
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Did you received unemployment wi								Yes		No
Are you attending school / training or a	-		-					Yes		No
Are you receiving or have you applied			-			bility benefits?		Yes		No
Have you ever worked in any Milita Have you received or will you received						nue or holiday pay?		Yes Yes	_	No No
Do you owe or are you required to make							nt wi		ort?	NO
Enforcement Unit? If yes name Ag			Jon pe	Sta		our order of agreement		Yes	// [	No
Do you elect to have Federal Incom			held f			fit payments?		Yes	-	No
Is there any reason that you cannot work right now?					bene	ni paymento:		Yes	-	No
Have you worked since Sunday of this week, if so amount ea					rned	2.\$		Yes		No
I hereby register for work and claim unemployment benefits. I know that the law prescribes penalties for false statements made in connection with this claim. I CERTIFY under penalty or perjury that the statements made in connection with this claim are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. In accordance with the applicable provisions of the privacy act of 1974 (PL 93-579). I AUTHORIZE my former employer(s) to release all information requested in connection with your claim for unemployment compensation. I am furnishing my Social Security number as required by the Deficit Reduction Act (DEFRA) (PL 98-369) as a condition of eligibility for benefits. I understand that information regarding my claim may be furnished to requesting agencies defined in DEFRA for the purpose of income and eligibility verification.										
Signature:	Signature: Date:									



# **DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE**

#### Acknowledgment of Receipt of Handbook/BRI Video Briefing

Today's Date	
Claimant Name	
Social Security	

I, hereby certify that I was given a <u>Claimant Benefit Rights and Responsibilities</u> <u>Guide for Receiving UI Benefits handbook</u> issued by the United States Virgin Islands Unemployment Insurance (UI) Division. I understand the this guide contains specific information about my Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefit rights and responsibilities, in compliance with the United States Virgin Islands Unemployment Insurance laws.

I, hereby certify that I will look at the **Benefits Right Rights Interview Video** located in the VIDOL's website <u>www.vidol.gov</u> (Unemployment Insurance). If I do not have a computer or internet at home, I will visit the VIDOL computer resource room to look at the video.

I understand that I must **READ THIS HANDBOOK COMPLETELY AND CAREFULLY and LOOK AT THE BRI VIDEO.** Failure to follow the instructions in this handbook/Video, to make timely inquiries when necessary, to report as directed, to file required documents in a timely manner, or to file claim forms as directed, may result in delay, denial or loss of your unemployment insurance (UI) benefits. I will not rely on advice from family, relatives or friends. If there are any questions or concerns regarding my claim, I will contact the United States Virgin Islands Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance (UI) Division office.

CLAIMANT SIGNATURE



# **Collecting Unemployment Insurance Benefits While Working is a <u>CRIME!</u>**

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT REPORTING WAGES WAGES: WHAT ARE THEY, WHY DO I NEED TO REPORT THEM AND WHAT HAPPENS IF I DO NOT?

### WAGES ARE ANY AND ALL INCOME RECEIVED FROM:

- ✓ Worked Performed
- ✓ Bonuses and Tips
- ✓ Back Pay Awards
- ✓ Part-Time Work
- ✓ International Work: Canada/Abroad

- ✓ Commissions
- ✓ Holiday and/or Vacation Pay
- ✓ Seasonal Work
- ✓ Per Diem Work
- ✓ Cash Earnings

**Gross wages** must be reported during <u>the week they were earned</u>, not when you <u>receive your pay</u>. The term **gross wages** refers to the amount of money eared <u>before</u> taxes or any other deductions are taken out.

Once you begin full-time work, you are **not eligible** to continue receiving unemployment insurance benefits. Depending on when you start working, you may be eligible for partial unemployment insurance benefits. You are required to report earnings as of the first day you begin work, even if you do not receive your pay until a later date. If you do not have a pay stub or your work week is different from our Sunday to Saturday claim week, you will need to calculate your gross wages in order to report them when claiming your benefits.

### WHY DO I NEED TO REPORT MY WAGES?

When claiming benefits, you must report any wages you may have earned for that week. Why? Your employer submits information about newly hired employees, including the first day of work, to the U.S. Virgin Islands, which in turn is passed on

to the Division of Unemployment Insurance. The Division performs a cross-match of new hire information against all claimants who certify for unemployment insurance benefits. The Benefit Payment Control Unit within the Division also compares the wages reported by you to those wages reported by your employer during the same time period and conflicting information is assigned to an investigator for resolution.

#### WHAT HAPPENS IF I DO NOT REPORT MY WAGES?

If you receive benefits to which you were not entitled, you will be responsible for repaying the benefits that you received. If you are found to have collected benefits **fraudulently**, you will incur interest and penalities and you will be disqualified from the receipt of unemployment insurance benefits for one year. In addition, you may be prosecuted criminally, face additional penalities and possible jail time.

# PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT REPORTING WAGES

 Dept. of Labor – UI Benefits (St. Croix)
 (340) 773-1994

 Dept. of Labor – UI Benefits (St. Thomas)
 (340) 776-3700

I acknowledge that I have read and understand this statement and wish to file my Unemployment Claim at this time. \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)

No, I do not wish to file an Unemployment Claim at this time. \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)



# VIRGIN ISLANDS DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

VOLUNTARY WITHHOLDING OF FEDERAL INCOME TAX

Unemployment Insurance benefits are fully taxable if you are required to file a tax return. Federal Tax is withheld at 10%.

A statement, Form 1099-G, will be furnished to you at the end of January stating the amount of benefits paid and withheld during the prior year. The same information will be transmitted to the Internal Revenue Branch (IRB).

The department is not responsible for refunding withheld taxes.

PLEASE DIRECT ALL QUESTIONS CONCERNING YOUR INCOME TAX LIABILITY TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE BRANCH.

#### PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW TO DECLINE OR REQUEST WITHHOLDING OF FEDERAL INCOME TAXES.

#### SUBMIT THIS FORM TO THE ADDRESS BELOW:

Department of Labor P.O. Box 303159 Charlotte Amalie St. Thomas VI 00803 FAX# (340) 715-5731 **OR** Department of Labor 4401 Sion Farm Christiansted, St. Croix 00820 FAX# (340) 773-1515

NAME (PLEASE PRINT):													
		FIRST			MIDDLE INITIAL			LA	LAST				
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	SOCIAL SECURIT	Y NUMBER											
	I do not wish to have Federal Income tax deducted from my unemployment insurance benefits.												
	I hereby authorize the Department of Labor to deduct and withhold federal income tax from my unemployment insurance benefits.												
	SIGNATUR	RE								DA	ATE		

#### ALLOW SEVEN WORKING DAYS FOR CHANGES TO TAKE EFFECT.

#### **\*PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT**

Information you provide to this department is voluntary and confidential but is required to process your claim. Pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1320b-7(a) 1, and s. 443.091(1) (h), F.S., disclosure of your Social Security number is mandatory. Social Security numbers will be used by the department to report the benefits you receive to the Internal Revenue Service as potential taxable income. In accordance with the Federal Deficit Reduction Act, an amendment to the Federal Social Security Act, and 5 U.S.C. 552 a(o)(1)(D), information you provide is subject to verification through computer matching programs and information about your wages and claim may be provided to other federal, state and local agencies or their contractors for verification of eligibility under other government programs to ensure benefits have been properly paid and for statistical and research purposes.

#### VIRGIN ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR Unemployment Insurance Division ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONNARIE

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO CLAIMANT:

It is necessary that you answer the questions on this form. The answers you give will be used to evaluate your eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits.

You	r Name(print)S. S. Number		
1.	What kind of work did you do on your last job?	YES	NO
	What kind(s) of work are you seeking?      Do you have experience in this field(s)?		
	Are you willing to work full time?		
4.	Circle the days of the week you are willing to work:		
	Mon. Tue. Wed. Thu. Fri. Sat. Sun.		
	Indicate the geographic areas where you are seeking work: What means of transportation do you have available to you? (personal car, bus, subway, etc.)		
	Indicate the rate of pay you received on your last job: What is the minimum starting rate of pay you will accept?		
	Can you start work immediately? If no, please explain		
8.	Are you attending or planning to attend any school or taking any course of study or training?		
	Do you have any business or engage in any activity that brings in income or might result in future income?		
10.	While claiming benefits have you performed or are you performing any service for the business of a friend or relative, either with or without pay?		
11.	Are you receiving or have you applied for workers' compensation or disability benefits?		

CONTINUE ON REVERSE SIDE

#### CONTINUED INTERSTATE CLAIM

1.	1. CLAIMANT'S NAME (First, Middle, Initial, Last)				2. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	-		
3.	3. MAILING ADDRESS: (No., Street, Route, P. O. Box , Apt. No.)				4. LIABLE STATE (Do Not A	bbreviate)		
	CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE	5.	OTHER		
					8. CLAIM FOR WEEK ENDING:			
6.	TELEPH	ONE NO. (Include Area	Code) 7. HAVE YOU MOVE YOU LAST FILED					
			Yes	No				
9.	If "Yes,"		ny kind during the week claime slow for each day you worked o FORE DEDUCTIONS			□ No		
	DATE	NO. OF HOURS WORKED	EMPLO	OYER'S NA	ME AND ADDRESS	GROSS DAILY PAY		
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	-	ational Assistance Allov			g Allowance: Yes No	amount below:		
12.		week(s) claimed above, on of the following sources	-	13. Durir	g the week(s) claimed above, were you:			
	If "Yes,"	enter the amount(s) bel	ow:	a	Able to work	☐ Yes   ☐ No*		
		nings from self-employn nmission payments	nent <u>\$</u>	b. /	Available for work	☐ Yes   □ No*		
		ge in lieu of notice missal or severance pay	<u>\$</u> \$	с.	Dffered any jobs you refused	□ Yes* □ No		
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	g. Tips	s and gratuities and, or room, or both	\$ \$		Norking on a commission basis			
		rker's Compensation	\$		-			
					Self-employed Claiming benefits under any other	☐ Yes*  ☐ No		
					Jnemployment Insurance Law?	🗌 Yes* 🔄 No		
NO		any amount entered in i oplicable.	tems 11 and 12, show in "Rema	rks" the so	urce, period covered by payment and the l	Employer's name and address,		
14.	Use L.O. number.		dress, phone, number, and I.D.	15. FOR	USE OF LIABLE STATE			
		partment of Labor						
	•	340) 776-3700 (340) 715-5731						
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16. Durin	16. During the week claimed in item 9 (front), list the employers, labor unions, and others you contacted to find work:							
Date	Places	Address and	Method of	Type of Work	Results			
	Contacted	Telephone Number	Contact	Sought				
	did not look ork, explain why:							
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18. If you	have returned	BEGINNING	EMPLOYER					
to wo	rk, enter: RKS: Give below any infor	DATE: mation regarding items requiring clarit	NAME:					
		mation regarding none requiring that						
		im unemployment benefits. I am unem						
		registration for work and my claim for not due or of increasing benefits. I he						
	of my knowledge and belief.	-						
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SIGNATOR	κ <b>Ε</b> .	CLAIMANT: DO NOT	WRITE BELOW THIS LINE					
21 CLAI	ISTAKER: Was an eligibilit	y review conducted at the time this cla		Yes 🗆 No				
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	YES	NO
12a Are you receiving or have you applied for any pension or social security benefits? b If yes, do you limit yourself to the type of work, hours or days of work, or amount		
of earnings that you would accept because of the above benefits?		
13. Have you received or are you going to receive any vacation or holiday pay during your present period of unemployment?		
14a Does your regular occupation require shift work? b If yes, what shifts will you work?		

I HAVE ANSWERED THESE QUESTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS, KNOWING THAT THE LAW PROVIDES PENALTIES FOR MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS. I UNDERSTAND THAT I MUST PROMPTLY REPORT ANY CHANGES IN THE INFORMATION GIVEN ON THIS REPORT.

DATESIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT			
CLAIMS EXAMINER	DATE OF NEXT INTERVIEW		
LOCAL OFFICE COMMENT	S:		
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