

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Labor and Employment**

8-803.

(a) (1) To determine the weekly benefit amount to assign to a claimant in the schedule of benefits in subsection (b) of this section, the line in the schedule of benefits shall be located in which the high quarter wages in column (A) correspond to wages that the claimant was paid for covered employment in the calendar quarter of the claimant's base period in which those wages were highest.

(2) The claimant shall be assigned:

(i) the weekly benefit amount in column (B) of the schedule for that line; or

(ii) if the claimant is not eligible under § 8-802 of this subtitle for that weekly benefit amount but was paid wages to qualify in 1 of the next 6 lower lines of the schedule, the weekly benefit amount in the next lower line in column (B) of the schedule.

(b)

**SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS**

Line	High Quarter Wages (A)	Weekly Benefit Amount (B)	Minimum Qualifying Wages (C)
(1)	\$ 576.01 to \$ 600.00	25.00	900.00
(2)	\$ 600.01 to \$ 624.00	26.00	936.00
(3)	\$ 624.01 to \$ 648.00	27.00	972.00
(4)	\$ 648.01 to \$ 672.00	28.00	1,008.00
(5)	\$ 672.01 to \$ 696.00	29.00	1,044.00
(6)	\$ 696.01 to \$ 720.00	30.00	1,080.00
(7)	\$ 720.01 to \$ 744.00	31.00	1,116.00
(8)	\$ 744.01 to \$ 768.00	32.00	1,152.00
(9)	\$ 768.01 to \$ 792.00	33.00	1,188.00
(10)	\$ 792.01 to \$ 816.00	34.00	1,224.00
(11)	\$ 816.01 to \$ 840.00	35.00	1,260.00
(12)	\$ 840.01 to \$ 864.00	36.00	1,296.00
(13)	\$ 864.01 to \$ 888.00	37.00	1,332.00
(14)	\$ 888.01 to \$ 912.00	38.00	1,368.00
(15)	\$ 912.01 to \$ 936.00	39.00	1,404.00
(16)	\$ 936.01 to \$ 960.00	40.00	1,440.00
(17)	\$ 960.01 to \$ 984.00	41.00	1,476.00
(18)	\$ 984.01 to \$1,008.00	42.00	1,512.00
(19)	\$1,008.01 to \$1,032.00	43.00	1,548.00