

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 95A - Unemployment Insurance Law

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(b) (1) Weekly Benefit Amount. An individual's "weekly benefit amount" shall be determined by applying the total of wages paid him for insured work in that calendar quarter of his base period in which such total wages were highest to column (A) in "schedule of benefits" set forth below. Upon determination as to the division of said schedule for which such individual's high quarter wages qualify, the weekly benefit amount shall be the amount shown on the same line in column (B).

Provided, if a claimant had not earned qualifying wages, as required in § 4(d) of this article, for the weekly benefit amount shown in the schedule of benefits on the basis of his earnings in the calendar quarter of the base period in which his earnings were highest but did earn qualifying wages for one of the next 6 lower divisions on the schedule, he is to be considered eligible for benefits as shown in that next lower division.

SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

Division	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
20	\$1,032.01 to \$1,056.00	44.00	1,584.00
21	\$1,056.01 to \$1,080.00	45.00	1,620.00
22	\$1,080.01 to \$1,104.00	46.00	1,656.00