

Sample Maine Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Determination Letter

BENEFIT INFORMATION

FEMA Number: FEMA-4528 Pandemic Assistance Period Begins: 02/02/2020
Pandemic Date: 01/27/2020 Pandemic Assistance Period Ends: 12/26/2020
Pandemic Announcement Date: 04/05/2020 PUA Weekly Benefit Amount (WBA): \$172.00

**Your PUA
Weekly Benefit**

The monetary determination shows the amount of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) you may be eligible to receive during the pandemic assistance period. The minimum weekly benefit amount is computed under the Federal Law which is 50% of the average weekly payment. In Maine, this amount is currently \$172.00.

**If you are
self-
employed,
this will
be \$0.
That's OK.**

TAX YEAR WAGE INFORMATION

The PUA base period is the prior tax year which is the year of 2019. The information shown below on your statement of employment, self-employment, and/or wages earned during the prior year 01/01/2019 to 12/31/2019 .

Employer Name & Address	Jan-Mar 2019 (\$)	Apr-Jun 2019 (\$)	Jul-Sep 2019 (\$)	Oct-Dec 2019 (\$)	Total (\$)
Total (\$)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**We'll email
you when
it's time to
provide your
income.**

All claims will be retroactive to the date of business closure or job separation provided on the application, back until March 15. PUA benefits start at 50% of the average weekly state unemployment benefit for self-employed and those who do not meet monetary eligibility for regular unemployment. This is \$172/week. If you are self-employed, once we are able to verify documented earnings, PUA benefits will be adjusted retroactively. The maximum benefit available under PUA is \$445/week.

In addition, anyone who receives a PUA benefit also receives the full \$600 additional weekly benefit from the Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) program, which is available through July 25, 2020. Claimants will also need to file a certification every week in order to receive benefits.

**Be Sure to File Your
Weekly Certification!**

**The extra \$600 is added for
weeks ending 4/4-7/25**