

# UNEMPLOYMENT AND TAXES

## Frequently Asked Questions

### ARE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PAYMENTS TAXABLE?

YES! You have the **option** to have taxes taken out at the time benefits are paid.

If you choose to have taxes taken out, the deductions are:

- Federal Taxes: 10%
- State Taxes: 5%

### WHAT IS A 1099G FORM?

1099G contains a summary of your unemployment benefits before taxes.

- Box 1 – Total amount BEFORE taxes
- Box 4 – Federal Tax withheld
- Box 11 – State Tax withheld

### WHERE CAN I FIND MY 1099G FORM?

- Mail: You will receive a 1099G form in the mail between January 1st and February 15th.
  - If you do not receive your physical copy by February 15th, report this to the Department. See **“Contact Us”**
- Electronic: A copy of your 1099G form will be available in your ReEmployMe unemployment account under your “Correspondences” tab.

### WHERE DO I FIND THE STATE ID NUMBER?

Use the number shown in the field marked **“PAYER’S Federal Identification No”** on your 1099G.

### HOW DO UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS IMPACT MY TAXES?

For information on how unemployment benefits impact your taxes, visit <https://www.irs.gov/> or consult with your tax professional.

### WHAT IF I RECEIVED UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS IN A STATE OTHER THAN MAINE?

You will receive a separate 1099G for each state from which you received unemployment benefits.

### IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ON THE FOLLOWING ISSUES, CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT.

- You received a 1099G **but did not receive Unemployment Benefit payments.**
- You received Unemployment Benefits **but did not receive a 1099G form.**
- Information on the 1099G form is not correct.

## CONTACT US



Online: [Contact Us Form](#)



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