IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

69 01F7 (0 06) 2001079 EL

	08-0157 (9-06) - 3091078 - El
BRIAN R SAMPSON Claimant	APPEAL NO: 13A-UI-13169-DT
	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT	
	OC: 08/25/13 Claimant: Appellant (1)

871 IAC 24.2-1-e – Failure to Report

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Brian R. Sampson (claimant) appealed a representative's November 26, 2013 decision (reference 01) that concluded he was not qualified to receive unemployment insurance benefits because he had not responded to an Agency notice to register for work. After a hearing notice was mailed to the claimant's last-known address of record, a telephone hearing was held on December 24, 2013. The claimant participated in the hearing. Based on the evidence, the arguments of the claimant, and the law, the administrative law judge enters the following findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions of law, and decision.

ISSUE:

Is the claimant disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance benefits for a failure to report as directed?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The claimant established an initial claim for unemployment insurance benefits effective August 25, 2013. He did not actively file weekly continued claims at that time, but then reopened his claim effective October 13, 2013 and began making weekly continued claims. On November 4, 2013 the Agency sent the claimant a "Notice to Register for Work." The notice indicated that the claimant needed to complete an additional application for job search assistance, that he could do so either on-line or in person at his local Agency office, and that he should do so by 3:30 p.m. on November 22, 2013. The claimant received the notice, but set it aside and forgot to do the registration. When he did not do the registration by November 22, the representative's denial decision was issued. The claimant received the representative's decision and appealed it, but still did not complete the registration at that time, waiting until his appeal was heard. He now understands that regardless of the outcome of the appeal decision in this case, he needs to complete the registration process as directed as soon as possible.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

A claimant can be found ineligible for unemployment insurance benefits for a failure to report as required.

871 IAC 24.2(1)e provides:

e. In order to maintain continuing eligibility for benefits during any continuous period of unemployment, an individual shall report as directed to do so by an authorized representative of the department. If the individual has moved to another locality, the individual may register and report in person at a workforce development center at the time previously specified for the reporting.

The method of reporting and the payment of benefits, provided the individual is otherwise eligible, shall be on a biweekly basis by mail if the claimant files a Form 60-0151.

The method of reporting shall be weekly if a voice response continued claim is filed, unless otherwise directed by an authorized representative of the department. An individual who files a voice response continued claim will have the benefit payment automatically deposited weekly in the individual's financial institution's account or be paid by the mailing of a warrant on a biweekly basis.

In order for an individual to receive payment by direct deposit, the individual must provide the department with the appropriate bank routing code number and a checking or savings account number.

The department retains the ultimate authority to choose the method of reporting and payment.

The claimant did not report and register for work as directed. Benefits are denied as of November 17, 2013 until such time as he has completed the registration process.

DECISION:

The representative's November 26, 2013 decision (reference 01) is affirmed. The claimant did not report and register as directed. As of November 17, 2013 benefits are denied until such time as the registration is completed.

Lynette A. F. Donner Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

ld/pjs