

# Unemployment benefit

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Free



Execution deadline in working days  
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Recipient  
Individual person



Receiving restrictions  
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Description:

The allowance shall be granted or refused after receipt of all the information, but not later than within one month from the date of receipt of the application.

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The unemployment benefit shall be paid to a person who has lost his or her job and has obtained his or her status as unemployed. The benefit may be received for a maximum of 8 months. The amount of the benefit depends on the length of the person's insurance and the salary of the contributions.

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### Service requests

In order to claim the benefit, a specific form of application addressed to the SAA must be completed.

May submit a submission:

- on the [www.latvija.lv](http://www.latvija.lv) portal;
- on-site (if requested for service, a personal identification document (passport or ID card) must be produced);
- electronically (the application must be signed with a secure electronic signature containing the time stamp);
- by post.

An application may be submitted in person to any VSAA customer service centre, State Employment Agency or the National and Local Government Unified Customer Service Centers

The submission shall indicate the preferred method of receiving the decision.


When applying for a benefit, the original documents certifying the length of insurance (employment) shall be presented by 31 December 1995 and the periods equated thereto, if such information is not already available to the SAA.

### Receipt of services

A decision regarding the granting of a benefit may be received in person, by post, in the official electronic address or in the portal [www.latvija.lv](http://www.latvija.lv), in accordance with the type of receipt of the decision indicated in the application.

The service shall be transferred to the account of the Latvian credit institution or postal settlement system (PNS) at the choice of the recipient.

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<https://www.vsaa.gov.lv/en/services/unemployment-benefit>