Jobseeker's Agreement



About this agreement

This agreement sets out my availability for work and the things I will do each week to actively seek work.

I understand looking for work often and in the right way improves my chances of finding work quickly.

Looking for work will be a significant part of my every day activities, taking several hours each day.

I know it will be reviewed regularly and that I or an adviser can ask to change this agreement at any time.

My responsibilities

I know I must do everything I can to:

- find work
- improve my chances of finding work and
- overcome things that might be making it harder for me to look for and get a job.

I know I must:

- actively seek work by doing at least things a week
- show I have been actively seeking work every week, every time I attend the Jobcentre
- be available for work for the hours
 I have set out in this agreement
- apply for any jobs that my adviser tells me to apply for, including any saved by my adviser in the 'Saved Jobs' section of my Universal Jobmatch account if I have one.

I know I may lose my Jobseeker's Allowance if I:

- do not actively seek work each week
- am unable to show I have been actively seeking work each week

- am not available for work for the hours stated in this agreement
- refuse, or fail to apply for, or do not accept a job that I am capable of doing, including one that I have been told about by my adviser
- do anything that reduces my chances of getting work
- do not attend the Jobcentre when asked to do so.

I understand DWP may seek feedback from employers about any jobs they have told me to apply for.

My rights

I know if there is any doubt about my benefit claim or disagreement about my Jobseeker's Agreement, my case may be sent to a decision maker, which could result in the loss of my Jobseeker's Allowance. If this happens I will be told. If I am not satisfied with the decision I can ask for it to be explained or reconsidered or I can appeal to an independent appeals tribunal.

Change of circumstances

I will tell DWP immediately if my circumstances change in any way which could affect my Jobseeker's Allowance.

I understand that if I give false information or do not tell DWP of something I should, I could be liable to repay any overpayment of benefit and I could be taken to court.

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Name		NI number	Claim file/cycle
The types of job I am looking for	SOC	What I will do to identify and apply for jobs	Write to at least employers a week. Phone at least employers a week. Visit at least employers a week.
I am willing and able to start work	immediately within 48 hours other within 24 hours after giving a weeks notice		Check my Universal Jobmatch account for jobs
I want to limit the days and hours I am available for work I am available for work these days and these hours	No	Other activities I will do to improve my chances of finding a job	Ask family, friends and people I have worked with before. Look at these websites and in these newspapers and trade papers I will look
Other agreed restrictions on my availability or types of work	Most hours I can work each week		