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Determining Unemployed Status Policy #16-04

At the time of application, the month, day, and year of the last day worked as well as the number of weeks the registrant has been unemployed in the immediate 26 weeks prior to application should be recorded.

When determining unemployed status, note the following situations:

- A full-time student who was available for work during this seven-day period may be classified as unemployed.
- Time spent in national guard, military, naval, or air force reserve activities are not to be counted as employment.
- A person who is working part-time is considered employed.
- A veteran who has not obtained permanent unsubsidized employment since being released from active duty shall be considered having met "unemployed" requirements regardless of the specific term of unemployment required.
- Persons institutionalized in a prison, jail, or similar correctional institution are to be considered "unemployed" only when such persons have a reasonable expectation of release within 12 months of enrollment in activities under the Act.
- Time spent in WIOA On-the-Job Training (OJT) and Work Experience is considered employment for application/reporting purposes. Time spent in classroom training services or holding may or may not be considered employment depending on the specific situation.
- A person may meet the "made specific efforts to find a job" provision of the definition of "unemployed" by seeking either part-time or full-time work.

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