

## Summary of Employment Insurance Changes due to COVID-19

### *Unable to work due to self-quarantine*

- Apply for EI Sickness benefits
- You will need 600 work hours in the last year
- You do not need a sick note to qualify
- You will need an ROE from your employer
- The 1-week wait period is waived.
- Apply online <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei.html>
- Call 1-833-381-2725 for more info

### *Unable to work due to school closures*

- Parents with children who require care due to school closures can apply for the Emergency Care Benefit
- Up to 15 weeks of benefits, up to \$900 bi-weekly
- Applications will be available in April via CRA MyAccount, My Service Canada Account and a yet to be released toll-free number

### *Laid off and ineligible for EI?*

- Apply for the Emergency Support Benefit
- Amounts and eligibility has not yet been announced
- Applications will be available in April via CRA MyAccount, My Service Canada Account and a yet to be released toll-free number

### *Laid off due to work closures*

- Apply for regular Benefits
- You will need 420-700 work hours in the last 52 weeks, depending on where you live
- You will need a ROE saying you've been laid off from your employer to get benefits
- There is a 1-week wait period
- Apply online <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei.html>
- Call 1-800-206-7218 for more info

### *Self-Quarantined and ineligible for EI*

- Apply for the Emergency Care Benefit for workers not eligible for EI (including self-employed) who are sick with COVID-19, or taking care of a family member with COVID-19
- Up to 15 weeks of benefits, up to \$900 bi-weekly
- Applications will be available in April via CRA MyAccount, My Service Canada Account and a yet to be released toll-free number