

871—26.3(17A,96) Appeal of unemployment benefits contested case.

26.3(1) An unemployment benefits contested case must be filed by a party within ten calendar days from the date noted on the initial determination. The appeal must be in writing and delivered by mail, by email, online, or in person to the department of inspections, appeals, and licensing's unemployment insurance appeals bureau at Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing, Unemployment Insurance Appeals Bureau, 6200 Park Avenue, Suite 100, East Entrance, Des Moines, Iowa 50321-1270. An online appeal is filed by completing and submitting an online appeal form available in the IowaWorks digital portal.

26.3(2) The appeal should state the following:

- a.* The name, address and social security number of the claimant;
- b.* A reference to the decision from which the appeal is taken; and
- c.* The grounds upon which the appeal is based.

26.3(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subrule 26.3(1), a contributory employer, which has not previously received a notice of the filing of a valid claim for benefits, may appeal an individual's eligibility to receive benefits within 30 calendar days from the mailing date of the quarterly statement of benefit charges.

26.3(4) Also notwithstanding the provisions of subrule 26.3(1), a reimbursable employer, which has not previously received a notice of the filing of a valid claim for benefits, may appeal an individual's eligibility to receive benefits within 15 calendar days from the mailing date of the quarterly billing of benefit charges.

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