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8 AAC 85.351(b) is amended to read:

(b) A claimant who files for benefits in this state shall register for work and maintain an active placement registration for work in this state as required by AS 23.20 and this section. An active placement registration for work in this state means the claimant has registered **with the labor exchange system operated by the division** [IN THE ALASKA LABOR EXCHANGE SYSTEM] and has posted an online resume that is available for employers and division staff to match with available jobs. A claimant shall register for work

(1) [REPEALED 3/4/2006;

(2)] in person at the employment service office of the division that is nearest the claimant's residence;

(2) [(3)] by telephone, if permitted by the director **based on resource availability**; or

(3) [(4)] by electronic means at the department's website.

(Eff. 10/12/97, Register 144; am 11/7/2001, Register 160; am 3/4/2006, Register 177; am 3/25/2007, Register 181; am 6/27/2014, Register 210; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 23.20.045 AS 23.20.378 AS 23.20.385
AS 23.20.080 AS 23.20.382 AS 23.20.520

8 AAC 85.352 is amended to read:

8 AAC 85.352. Able and available for suitable work: work search activity. (a) A claimant **who is** required to register for work under AS 23.20 and 8 AAC 85.351 **shall** [MUST] actively seek suitable work by **performing** [MAKING] at least one valid work search **activity** during each week that the claimant files for unemployment insurance benefits.

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(b) The division may require a claimant to **perform** [MAKE] more than one valid work search **activity** during a week that the claimant files for unemployment insurance benefits based on **the population and labor market of** [EACH OCCUPATION SUITABLE FOR THE CLAIMANT WITHIN] the area in which the claimant **resides while** [IS] filing a **benefits claim** [BENEFIT CLAIMS]. **For each benefit week in which the claimant files a benefits claim, the** [THE] division will **provide the** [NOTIFY A] claimant [OF THE CLAIMANT'S] **with the number of work search activities that the claimant is required to perform,** [WORK SEARCH REQUIREMENT FOR A GIVEN BENEFIT WEEK BY] using a method specified **under (c) of this section** by the director.

(c) A work search **activity** is [CONSIDERED] valid if

(1) the claimant

(A) inquires with an employer through investigation of the employer's job postings or website or other explorative activities, or contacts an employer **by telephone, by electronic mail, or in person** regarding work; **the method of contact or inquiry must be appropriate based on how the prospective employer is usually contacted for work; or**

(B) visits a job center for a reemployment service or career workshop, attends a job interview, or performs a similar high-engagement activity approved by the director; and

(2) [(3)] the work is suitable [UNDER 8 AAC 85.410] to the claimant's skills and abilities under 8 AAC 85.410 [CAPABILITIES; AND

(3) THE METHOD OF CONTACT IS APPROPRIATE BASED ON HOW PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYERS IN THAT OCCUPATION ARE USUALLY CONTACTED

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FOR WORK].

(d) Using a method specified by the director **to verify work search activities**, a claimant who is required to **perform a** [SEEK] work **search activity** under (a) of this section shall report any employer contact **or inquiry** made during each week that the claimant files a claim for unemployment insurance benefits **to the division**. The report must include **the following** for each employer contact **or inquiry**: [THE]

(1) **the** date **the claimant made** [OF] the **contact or inquiry**;

(2) **the** name of the employer **or entity through which the activity was performed** [CONTACTED]; and

(3) **the** telephone number, address, electronic mail address, or **Internet address that the claimant** [WEBSITE] used to make **the** **contact or inquiry**. (Eff. 10/12/97, Register 144; am 6/27/2014, Register 210; am 3/30/2016, Register 217; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

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