

What You Need to Know About UI Fraud

Unemployment Insurance (UI) Fraud Includes, but is Not Limited to, an Individual:

failing to report earnings while filing for UI benefits. This includes earnings from full or part-time work, self-employment, temporary work, commissions, tips, and etc.

giving false information or withholding information *knowingly* to receive or increase UI benefits.

using someone else's identity to file a claim.

filing for UI benefits while incarcerated.

UI Fraud is a Crime!

Penalties for UI fraud may include:

- Repayment of benefits, plus penalties and fines
- Wage garnishment
- Garnishment of state and federal income tax refunds
- Loss of future UI benefits
- Imprisonment and fines

To Report UI Fraud:

Complete a <u>Request for Investigation of Unemployment</u> <u>Insurance Fraud</u> form, available at <u>MDunemployment.com</u>.

Return the form by:

- email (<u>ui.fraud@maryland.gov</u>);
- mail (Attn: Benefit Payment Control, 100 South Charles Street, Tower 1, Baltimore, MD 21201); or
- fax (410-767-2610).

To learn more, see:

 Overpayments and Fraud FAQs (<u>labor.maryland.gov/employment/claimfaq.shtml</u>)

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