

Claimant Attestation – Highest Weeks of Insurable Earnings (Variable Best Weeks)

Name _____	Social Insurance Number (SIN) (999 999 999) _____
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Effective April 7, 2013 the Variable Best Weeks legislation changes the way Employment Insurance (EI) benefits are calculated for individuals. This new way of calculating EI benefits could increase your benefit rate if your weekly earnings in the last 52 weeks varied from week to week.

This legislative change does not affect you if you are receiving fishing benefits or self-employment benefits.

The amount of your weekly EI benefits will be based on your highest weeks of insurable earnings over the past 52 weeks or since the start of your last EI claim.

To ensure that you are paid the maximum benefit rate that you are entitled to, complete the information requested in the sections below. It is important to provide accurate and complete information about your highest weeks of insurable earnings because this will be used, along with your Record(s) of Employment, to calculate your EI benefit rate. Do not include earnings from fishing or self-employment. You can use the information found on your pay stubs, personal record of employment history, or any other information you may have, to help you fill in the form. Please note that you **do not** need to send us these documents.

The information you provide about your highest weeks of insurable earnings on this questionnaire may not be used if it conflicts with information from your previous EI claims or with the Record(s) of Employment covering those weeks.

If you previously submitted some of your highest weeks of insurable earnings for this EI claim, you will need to include those weeks in this form again, as well as any new highest weeks of insurable earnings. If you do not include the weeks you previously provided, they will not be used and this could affect the calculation of your benefit rate.

Once you have completed the form, sign it and return it to us.

If you choose not to complete this form, we will use the information we have on file about your highest weeks of insurable earnings over the past 52 weeks or since the start of your last EI claim to calculate your benefit rate.

The information below must be provided for the 52 weeks prior to (_____)
Date (YYYY-MM-DD)

(Indicate the last day worked from your most recent employment that you used on your application for EI benefits.)

To calculate your EI benefit rate based on your highest weeks of insurable earnings, we will need the following information:

- NOTE: Gross insurable earnings (before deductions) include all salary, statutory holiday pay and/or vacation pay if it is included with each pay cheque. Do not include any vacation pay or other monies you received from your employer as a termination payment.

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Signature: _____ Date (YYYY-MM-DD): _____

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