

Superior Court of California
County of Riverside



Frequently Asked Questions by Jurors Receiving Unemployment Benefits

Question: Are unemployment benefits impacted by jury service?

Answer: No. Appearing in response to a jury summons or actually serving as a trial juror will not affect your unemployment benefits. (See Unemployment Insurance Code sections 1253.6 and 1253.7.)

Question: Will I have to report my juror pay as income to EDD if I am selected for a trial?

Answer: Yes. Pursuant to Unemployment Insurance Code section 1252 (2), any jury fees paid will be incorporated into the calculation of what your total unemployment benefit earnings should be.

Question: Will I still need to look for work while on jury duty?

Answer: No, but you will be required to look for work on days that you are not serving or have been excused from jury duty.

Example:

If you report for jury duty on Monday and Tuesday and are excused on Wednesday, you would still need to look for work on Thursday and Friday.

If you serve the entire week, EDD will waive the work search condition for that week.