



New FEIN Requirement for Agents

Ohio will soon have a new unemployment insurance system: The SOURCE (State of Ohio Unemployment Resource for Claimants and Employers). The SOURCE will provide a user-friendly, self-service experience, tailored to meet the needs of claimants, agents and employers.

With this new system comes changes to the information required for agents and employers to upload quarterly reports and make payments.

Please note the following changes:

- Before uploading quarterly report files in The SOURCE, agents must have an FEIN on file in The SOURCE.
- When ODJFS processes quarterly files, as a security check The SOURCE will verify that the FEIN in the quarterly file matches the FEIN on the agent account.
- If a file upload contains errors, The SOURCE can partially or completely reject it. If there is no FEIN on the agent account, or if the FEIN on the account does not match the FEIN in the quarterly file, the file will reject completely. If the file rejects, the agent will be notified and will need to make the corrections and resubmit.

The ERIC system does not have a place to enter or store a FEIN on agent accounts. As a result, please provide the FEIN so that it can be added to your account during conversion. This will ensure that it will be on file when The SOURCE goes live. You can email your FEIN to TheSource@jfs.ohio.gov.

Employers and agents will begin using The SOURCE in 2020. More information will be provided prior to the system launch. Please visit jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/thesource to review the new file and payment specifications.

Questions?

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