

WebFile Guide for

Claimants

How to Navigate through WebFile

WELCOME



Welcome to the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission's WebFile application.

The Commission created WebFile to assist its customers in easily accessing, viewing and managing their claim record.

This guide provides the information and instructions necessary for navigating this webbased claim management tool.

While the guide may be printed, it is recommended that the guide be utilized electronically due to updates and revisions.

Questions regarding WebFile processes should be directed to the Commission at 877-664-2566 or please visit workcomp.virginia.gov/webfile/webfile-support and complete a WebFile Support Request.

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WebFile OVERVIEW

"Filing a Claim" in WebFile is an important responsibility for claimants. Filing is necessary to protect a claimant's rights under the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act.

With the access to WebFile, claimants can:

- ✓ View claim information and transaction history on a claim.
- ✓ Verify which claim administrator is handling their claim.
- √ File a Claim Form/Request for Hearing online.

GENERAL FLOW OF A CLAIM



Injury

Individual has experienced an injury in the workplace and/or individual has developed an illness related to a job in the workplace.

Make sure a medical professional has documented all affected areas related to work related injury or illness.



Notice of Injury to Employer

It is important to give immediate notice to your employer about your injury. If not done within thirty (30) days you may lose your rights to any workers' compensation benefits.

Employers are required to file a First Report of Injury within ten (10) days of having knowledge of any injury.



Claim Form

If you have not received an Award Order from the Commission, you must file a Claim Form within two (2) years of the accident to protect your rights.

Even if the claims administrator is paying you benefits, your rights are not protected unless you have an Award order from the Commission.



Notification of Rights

Once the Commission receives the First Report of Injury from the employer, the Commission will send the injured worker information about their rights and responsibilities.



Notice of Award Order

If the claims administrator accepts the claim, an Award Agreement is sent to the injured worker. Once signed by all parties the agreement must be filed with the Commission.

The Commission will enter an Award Order which protects the injured worker's rights.



Request for Hearing

When filing a Claim Form the injured worker is free to pursue a claim through the Virginia Workers' Compensation hearing process.

The injured worker should indicate the benefits sought and request a hearing.

WebFile SECURITY

The WebFile system uses a variety of security protocols to help ensure that case records remain confidential. A key component of this structure (which governs access rights) is username and password.

USERNAME

All WebFile users will have individual usernames. The username cannot be changed after the registration and activation process is complete.

PASSWORDS

All users are required to use a password along with the username. The initial password will be set up by the Commission. The user will then set up a new password at the time of registration.

Password Criteria

- ✓ Must be at least 8 characters in length.
- ✓ Must have at least one number.
- ✓ Must have at least one letter.
- ✓ Must contain one special character (i.e., @, #).
- ✓ Password will expire every 90 days and will not be re-usable for 12 months.

TIMEOUT FEATURE

The system has been set up with a 45-minute timeout feature. If there is no activity within 45 minutes, the user will receive a message notifying them that they will need to extend the session in WebFile to continue their session.

IMPORTANT



Entering data is still viewed by the system as being idle—users who take longer than 45 minutes to submit data or to conduct other transactions will be automatically logged off of the system, and all information not saved or submitted will be lost.

WebFile REGISTRATION

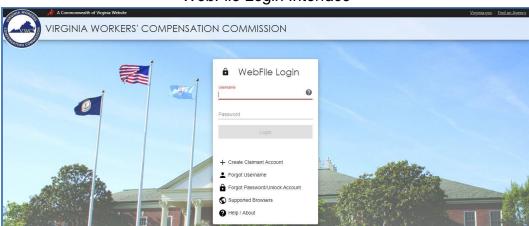
This section covers the online registration within WebFile as the claimant.



STEPS TO COMPLETE

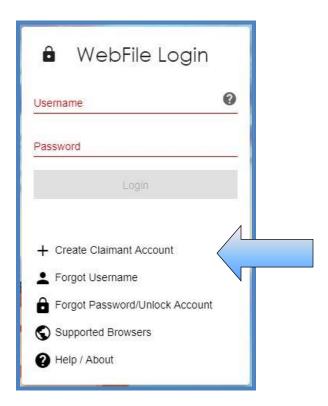
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webfile.workcomp.virginia.gov/.

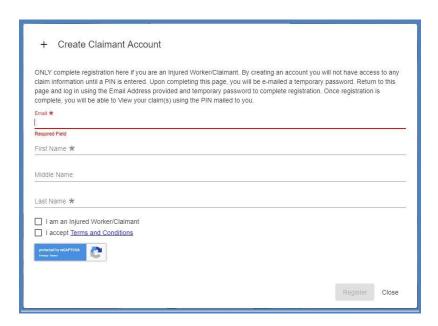


WebFile Login Interface

2. Select the "Create Claimant Account" button.



3. Enter a valid email address and first, middle and last name.

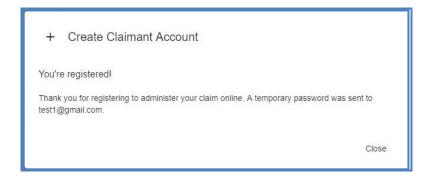


- 4. Check the box if indicating you are an injured worker/claimant.
- 5. Review the Terms and Conditions by clicking on the link.

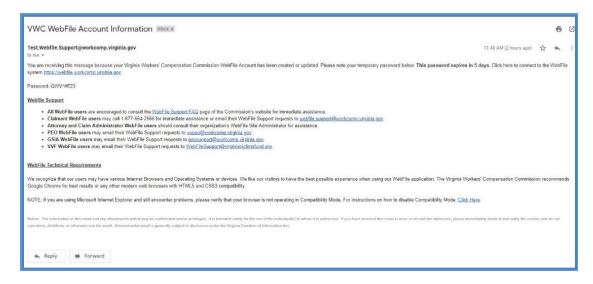
- 6. Check the box to accept the Terms and Conditions.
- 7. Click the "Register" button to complete this first step.



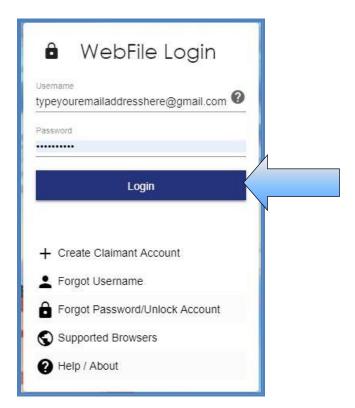
8. A confirmation message will appear.



9. An email will be sent to the address indicated which contains a temporary password. **This password will expire in 5 days.** The email could also be in a spam or junk folder.



- 10. Once you have received the temporary password email, go to the WebFile website.
- 11. Since this is the first time logging into WebFile, enter the registered email. address (as your username) and the temporary password.
- 12. Click the "Login" button.

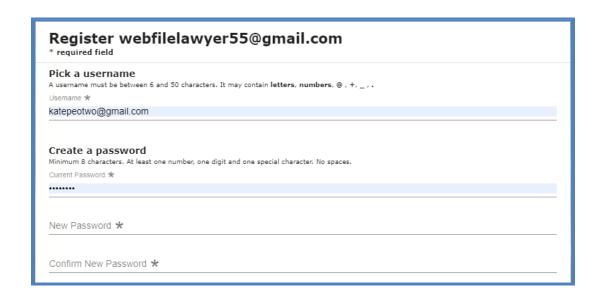




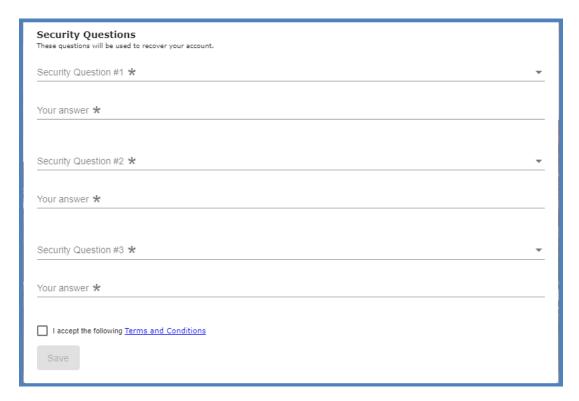
QUICK TIPS

You can still create an account and file a claim even if your injury has not been reported and you do not have a Jurisdiction Claim Number (JCN) or PIN.

- 13. Create a new username.
- 14. The current password on this screen is the temporary password that was just sent. Create a new password based on the following criteria:
 - ✓ Must be at least 8 characters in length.
 - ✓ Must have at least one number.
 - Must have at least one letter.
 - ✓ Must contain one special character (i.e., @, #).



- 15. Select and answer three security questions. These questions will assist you in case you are ever locked out of the system or forget your password.
- 16. Review the Terms and Conditions by clicking on the "Terms and Conditions" link in the bottom left hand corner.
- 17. After reviewing, check the box to accept the Terms and Conditions.
- 18. Click "Save" to complete your registration.



- 19. Confirmation message verifying your successful registration is displayed.
- 20. Click the "OK" button.
- 21. Log back in to WebFile with the new username and password.

CHANGE PASSWORD

This section covers changing a password after a profile has been created.



BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

Remember the WebFile Password Criteria:

- ✓ Must be at least 8 characters in length.
- ✓ Must have at least one number.
- ✓ Must have at least one letter.
- ✓ Must contain one special character (i.e., @, #).
- ✓ Passwords will expire every 90 days and will not be re-usable for 12 months.



STEPS TO COMPLETE

1. Go to the WebFile website at:

webfile.workcomp.virginia.gov

- 2. Enter username and password.
- 3. Click the "Login" button.

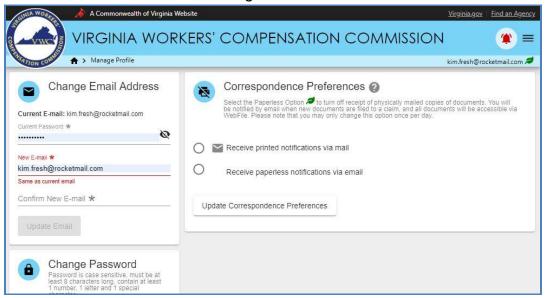
WebFile Home Interface



4. Click the menu dropdown (≡) in the top right and select "Manage Profile."

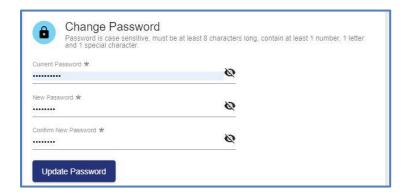


Manage Profile Interface



- 5. Go to the "Change Password" section.
- 6. Enter the profile's current password.
- 7. Enter and confirm the new password.

8. Click the "Update Password" button.



9. A confirmation message will appear.



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PASSWORD RESET

This section covers how to reset a password.



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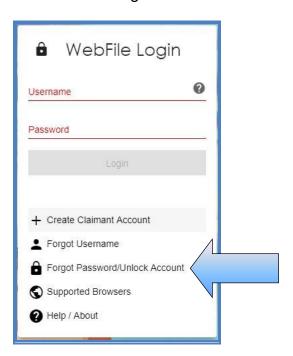
RESET A FORGOTTEN PASSWORD



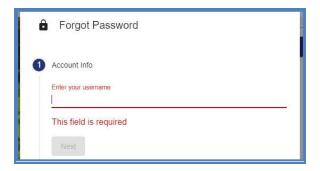
STEPS TO COMPLETE

On the log in screen, you have the option to request a new password.

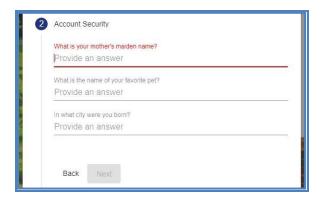
1. Click on the "Forgot Password/Unlock Account" link.



2. Enter your username and click the "Next" button.



3. Answer the three security questions from initial registration and click the "Next" button. Answers are case sensitive.



4. A confirmation message will appear and an email will be sent.



- 5. Retrieve the email from noreply@workcomp.virginia.gov containing the new, temporary password. This password will expire in 5 days. The email could also be in a spam or junk folder.
- 6. After logging in with your username and temporary password, you will be required to create a new permanent password and set up three new security questions.

If you cannot remember the answers to your security questions, contact the Commission at **877-664-2566** or please visit <u>workcomp.virginia.gov/webfile/webfile-support-request</u> and complete a WebFile Support Request.

CHANGE EMAIL ADDRESS

This section covers changing an email address after a profile has been created.



STEPS TO COMPLETE

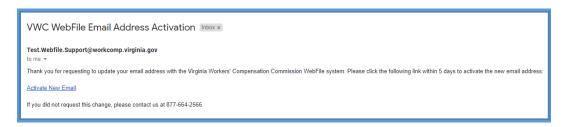
- 1. Click the menu dropdown in the top right and select "Manage Profile."
- 2. Go to the "Change Email Address" section.
- 3. Enter the current password.
- 4. Enter and confirm the new email address.
- 5. Click the "Update Email" button.



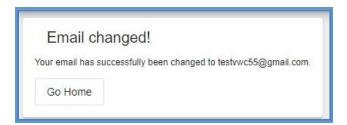
6. A confirmation message will appear and will provide instructions to complete the email change.



- 7. Open the email from webfile.support@workcomp.virginia.gov with a subject of "VWC WebFile Email Address Activation."
- 8. Click the "Activate New Email" link.



9. Access WebFile and verify that the email address has changed.



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FILING A CLAIM WITHOUT A JCN OR PIN

This section covers the procedure for filing a claim before receiving a Jurisdiction Claim Number (JCN) or Personal Identification Number (PIN).



BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

Once your injury has been reported you will then receive correspondence that references your JCN and PIN.

Once the Commission creates a JCN you will receive these two letters:



Notification of Injury

This letter contains the Jurisdiction Claim number (JCN) assigned to the claim and also lists the Injury Date.



Claimant PIN for WebFile

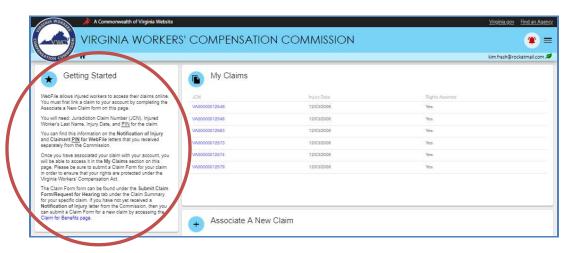
This letter contains a Personal Identification Number (PIN) a claimant will use to access the claim record within WebFile.

Both letters are necessary to validate claimant access to WebFile.



STEPS TO COMPLETE

- 1. Go to the WebFile website at: webfile.workcomp.virginia.gov.
- 2. Navigate to the "Getting Started" section.
- 3. Click the "Claim for Benefits page" hyperlink.



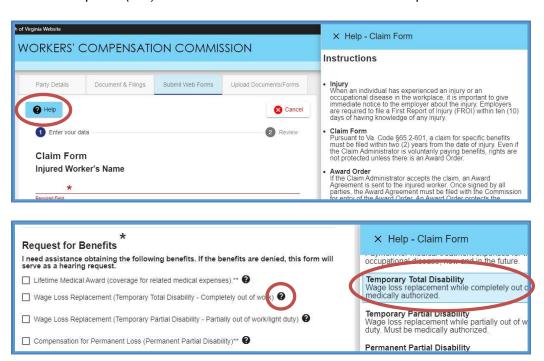
4. Complete the blank fields and make sure all required fields marked with an asterisk (*) are complete.





QUICK TIPS

Click the Help icon (?) to find additional information on how to complete a chosen Web Form.

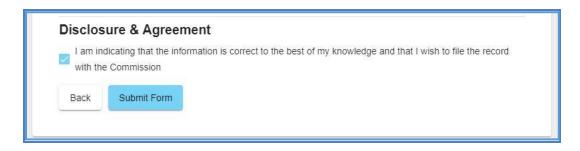


5. Attach supporting PDF documents.

Note: Keep in mind that the total size of PDF attachments cannot exceed 15 MB.

- 6. Click the "Next" button.
- 7. Review the content of the Web Form.

- 8. Read the "Disclosure & Agreement" statement and click the check box to accept.
- 9. Click the "Submit Form" button.



10. Review the success message generated by the system.

Note: A Notification of Injury and Claimant PIN for WebFile letter will be mailed out by the Commission after the successful form submission.

- The Notification of Injury letter contains the Jurisdiction Claim number (JCN) assigned to the claim and also lists the injury date.
- The Claimant PIN for WebFile letter contains a Personal Identification Number (PIN) which a claimant will use to access the claim record within WebFile.

ACCESSING A CLAIM

This section covers the procedure for gaining access to your claim information through WebFile. Claims with injury dates prior to *October 1, 2008* are not viewable in WebFile.



BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

An injured worker will receive two letters from the Commission after a claim is established.



Notification of Injury

This letter contains the Jurisdiction Claim number (JCN) assigned to the claim and also lists the Injury Date.



Claimant PIN for WebFile

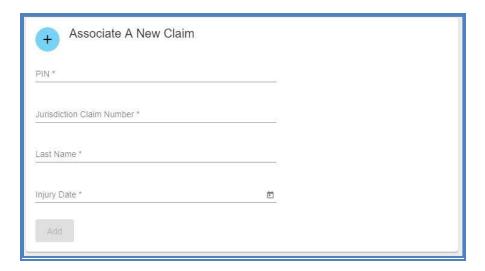
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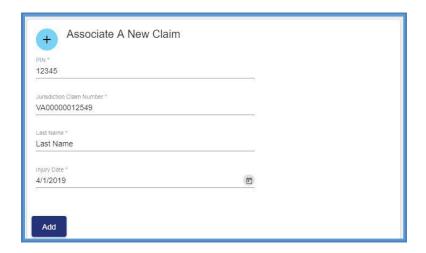


STEPS TO COMPLETE

- 1. Go to the WebFile website at: webfile.workcomp.virginia.gov.
- 2. Enter username and password.
- 3. Click the "Login" button.
- 4. Navigate to the bottom right of the screen to the "Associate a New Claim" section.



- 5. If this is the first time a claim has been added to WebFile, enter the following information:
 - a. Personal Identification Number (PIN)
 - b. Jurisdiction Claim Number (JCN)
 - c. Last Name
 - d. Injury Date
- 6. Click the "Add" button.



- 7. After the above information has been validated, a JCN link will be visible under the "My Claims" section.
- 8. Click the JCN link to open the claim.

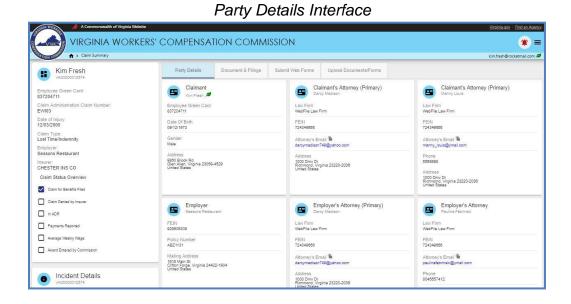


9. Review the information available.



PARTY DETAILS

The Party Details tab is the default view and is pre-selected.



The chart below lists information available to claimants within the "Party Details" tab.

Incident Details	General information regarding the reported incident such as dates, description and location.
Claimant	The party who sustained an injury or occupational disease on the job.
Employer	The person or entity with control over your work activities.
Claim Administrator	The organization responsible for administering a workers' compensation claims.
Insurance Carrier Designated Represenative	Each insurance carrier licensed to write workers' compensation coverage in the Commonwealth of Virginia, each employer certified as a self-insurer by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission, and each group association licensed as a self-insurer by the State Corporation Commission is hereby ordered to designate and maintain a representative in Virginia.
Insurance Carrier	A company licensed to write workers' compensation coverage in Virginia.
Additional Parties	Parties to a claim include the injured worker, employer, carrier, claim administrator, and attorneys of record for the injured worker, employer, or carrier. Typically, family members are not considered a party to the claim unless the Commission has authorization from the injured worker. This may also include health care providers who have filed a claim, and their attorneys of record.

^{*}Attorneys that represent both Employer and Insurance Carrier are listed under the "Claim Administrator" section.

VIEW ELECTRONIC NOTIFICATIONS

This section covers the steps for viewing the summary of electronic notifications.



STEPS TO COMPLETE

1. View email announcing electronic notification.

Email Inbox View



Individual Email View



- 2. Click the link in your email from WebFile Support to view the new notification.
- 3. Log in to WebFile.





Notification Icon

This icon is where all notifications for your claims are housed.



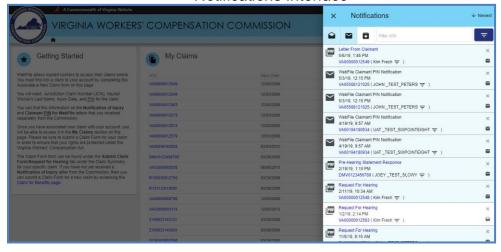
New Notification Icon

This icon indicates you have a new notification.

4. Click the alert icon (if the notifications are old, if the notifications are new) in the top right.



Notifications Interface





QUICK TIPS

The Notifications Interface contains the list of all notifications received over the past two years.

- Review the list of notifications.
 - a. Click on the document type to view a document
 - b. Click the Jurisdiction Claim Number link to view the claim associated with the notification.



CHANGE A NOTIFICATION STATUS

Once a notification is viewed, the system automatically changes it to "Read" status. The status can be changed to "Unread" or "Archive" at any time.

Options to change the status:

- a. Clicking the "x" icon will "archive" the notification.
- b. Clicking the unopened mail icon () will mark the notification as "read."
- c. Clicking the opened mail icon () will mark the notification as "unread."



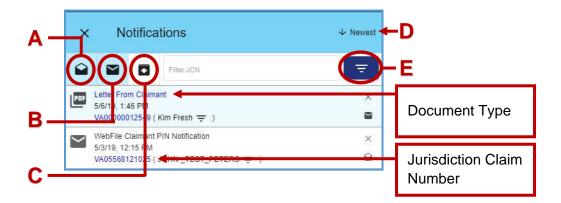


QUICK TIPS

As the list of notifications grows over time, users are encouraged to use the archived folder option. Click the "x" icon to the right of the notification you wish to archive.

NOTIFICATION VIEW CUSTOMIZATION

Here are some options that may make it easier to view notifications.



- A. View Read (): Clicking the "View Read" toggle with display only "read" notifications.
- B. **View Unread (≥):** Clicking the "**View Unread**" toggle with display **only** "unread" notifications.
- C. View Archived (): Clicking the "View Archived" toggle with display only "archived" notifications.
- D. **Sort Button (\(\psi \)**): displays events in ascending or descending order.
- E. **Filters (** =): Typing in the "Filter JCN" field can be used to display certain notifications on the claim associated with the JCN searched.



QUICK TIPS

Multiple toggles can be selected at once. To return to the standard view, be sure to unselect all toggles.

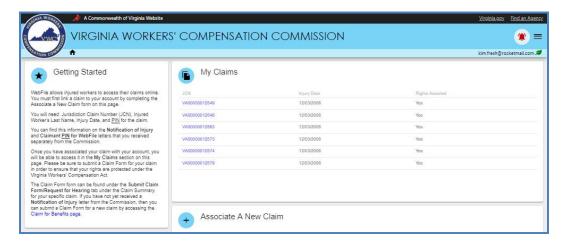
DOCUMENT & FILINGS

The "Document & Filings" tab allows claimants to view documents and upload filings associated with a claim.

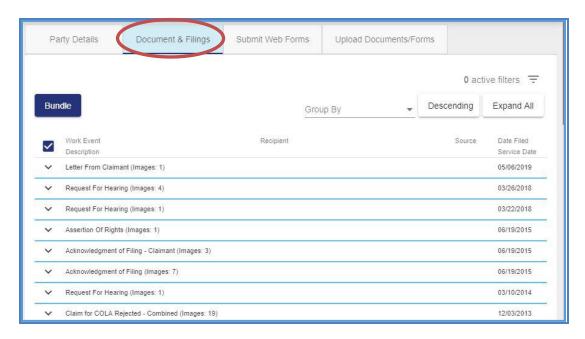


STEPS TO COMPLETE

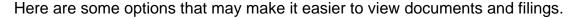
- 1. Log in to WebFile.
- 2. Navigate to the "My Claims" section.

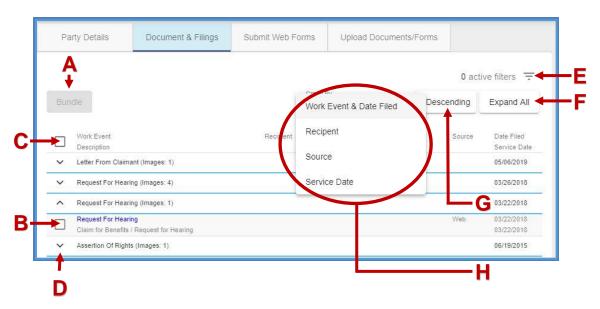


- 3. Click on the desired JCN.
- 4. Select the "Document & Filings" tab.



DOCUMENT & FILINGS VIEW CUSTOMIZATION





- A. **Bundle Button:** creates a PDF combining all selected work events.
- B. **Check Toggle:** select/deselect a work event.
- C. Check/Uncheck All Toggle: selects/deselects all work events.
- D. **Expand:** displays the selected work event details.
- E. **Filter Button (=):** displays fields that can be used to narrow view details.

Filter Interface 0 active filters = Work Event Recipient Service Date (Before) Service Date (On) Service Date (After) Date Filed (Before) Date Filed (After)

F. Expand/Collapse All Button: displays all work event details.

- G. **Sort Button:** displays events in ascending or descending order.
- H. **Group By Button:** displays the selected work event details.

SUBMITTING A CLAIM FORM/REQUEST FOR HEARING

This section covers the online submission of the Claim Form. The injured worker should submit a Claim Form to the Commission as soon as possible. If you are requesting a hearing, you must file medical reports supporting your request with the Commission.

IMPORTANT

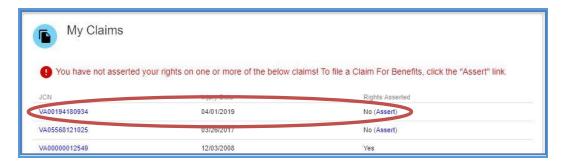


Even if you have been paid by your employer or claim administrator for time missed from work because of your injury or for medical treatment for your injury, you should file a claim with the VWC to protect your right to benefits under Virginia Law.



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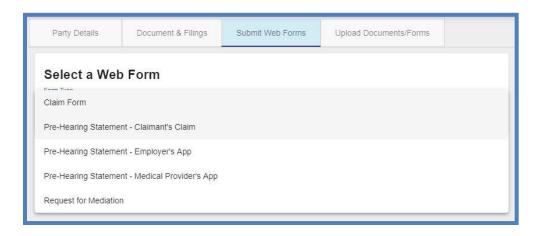
- 1. Log in to WebFile.
- 2. Navigate to the "My Claims" section. Notice that the JCN does not have a Claim for Benefits associated and there is an alert message.



3. If an injury has been reported to the Commission, initiate a Claim Form submission by clicking on the "Assert" link in the "My Claims" section.



4. Choose "Claim Form" from the "Submit Web Forms" tab.



5. Complete the blank fields and make sure all required fields marked with an asterisk (*) are complete.





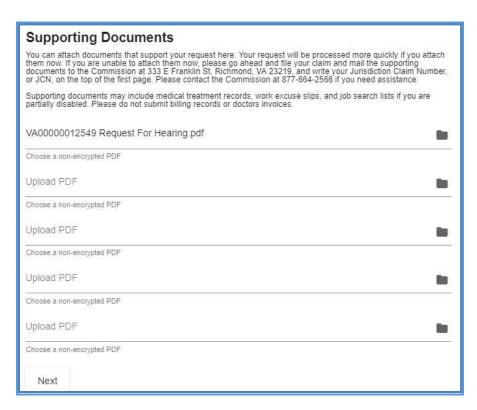
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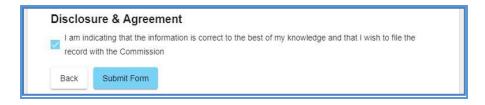
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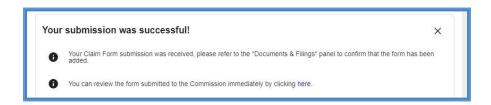
7. Click the "Next" button.



- 8. Review the content of the Claim Form.
- 9. Click the Disclosure & Agreement Form box.
- 10. Click the "Submit" button.



11. Confirmation note will be displayed.



SUBMIT WEB FORMS

This section covers the process for submitting a new filing via a Web Form. This filing creates and posts a new PDF document to the record.

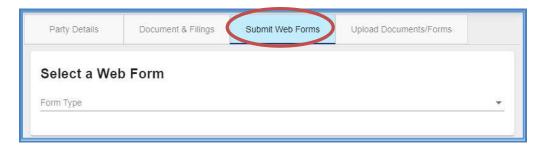


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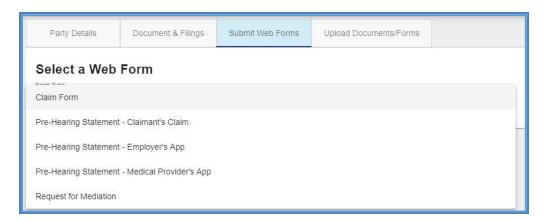
- 1. Log in to WebFile.
- 2. Navigate to the "My Claims" section.
- 3. Click on the desired JCN.



4. Select the "Submit Web Forms" tab.



5. Choose the Web Form from the drop down menu.



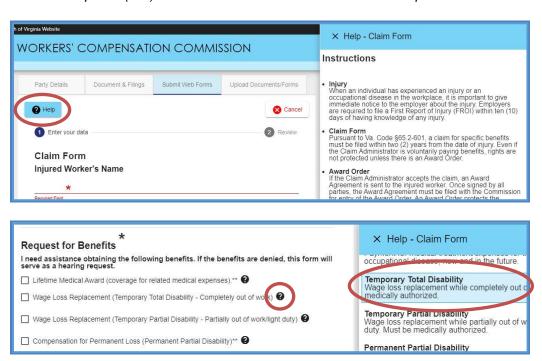
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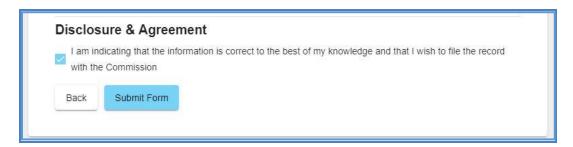


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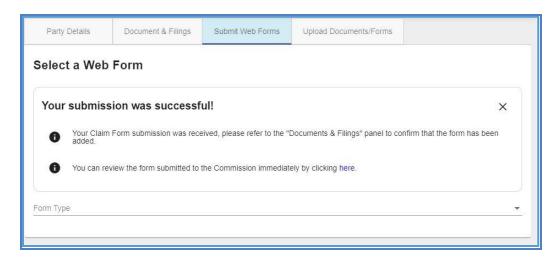
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- 8. Click the "Next" button.
- 9. Review the content of the Web Form.

- 10. Read the "Disclosure & Agreement" statement and click the check box to accept.
- 11. Click the "Submit Form" button.



12. Review the success message generated by the system.



13. Verify that a new PDF has been added to the record by selecting the link in the success message to open the PDF.



QUICK TIPS

Clicking on the "Documents & Filings" tab and then selecting the appropriate link will also open the submitted web form.

UPLOADING DOCUMENTS TO A CLAIM

This section covers the steps for uploading PDF documents to a claim record. WebFile can only accept documents in PDF format.



BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

Remember the WebFile Password Criteria:

- ✓ Document to be saved in PDF format.
- ✓ Document must be non-encrypted PDF.
- ✓ The total size of PDF attachments cannot exceed 15 MB.



STEPS TO COMPLETE

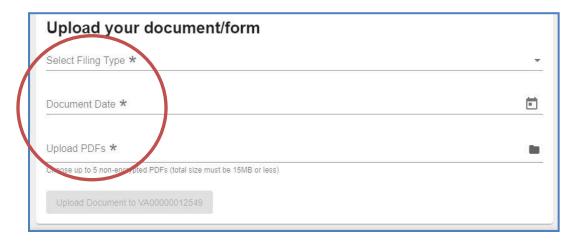
- 1. Log in to WebFile.
- 2. Navigate to the "My Claims" section.
- Click on the desired JCN.



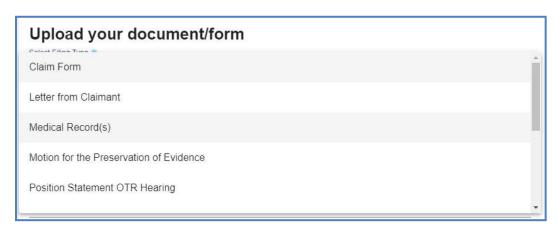
- 4. Select the "Upload Documents/Forms" tab.
- 5. Review the "Instructions" section.



- 6. Navigate to the "Upload your document/form" section, which is lower on the page.
- 7. There are three required areas to be completed.



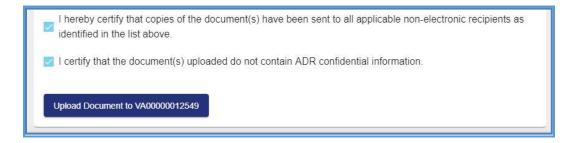
8. Select the "Filing Type" that is being uploaded.



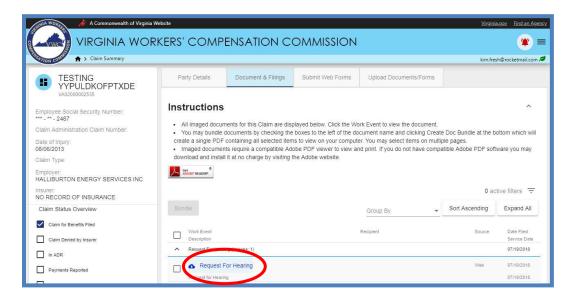
- 9. In the "Document Date" field, type or select the correct date by clicking the calendar icon.
- 10. Click the "Upload PDFs" button to locate the document. The total size of PDF attachments cannot exceed 15 MB.



- 11. Check box to signify copies of the document(s) have been sent to all parties.
- 12. Check box to certify signatures.
- 13. Click the "Upload Document" button.



14. Confirm the successful upload by reviewing the "Documents & Filings" tab.

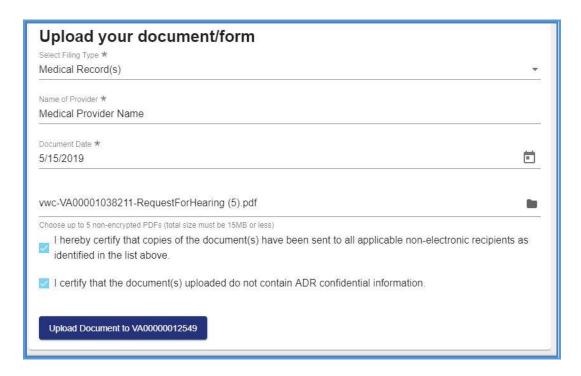


MEDICAL RECORDS

Medical Records are uploaded in a similar fashion as other claim related documents.

There are a four requirements when uploading Medical Records into WebFile.

- 1. Select "Medical Record(s)" as the Filing Type.
- 2. The "Name of Provider" field allows for free-form text, up to 50 characters, which can be used for clarifying descriptions. Example: "Dr. Wilson Medical Records, March 1 March 10, 2015."
- 3. The "Document Date," enter the date of service with the medical provider. If there is more than one day, please enter the last date within the range of time.
- 4. Click the "Upload PDFs" button to locate the document. The total size of PDF attachments cannot exceed 15 MB.



IMPORTANT



WebFile automatically indicates today's date under the "Date Filed" column viewable from the "Documents & Filings tab once the record is uploaded.

PAPERLESS OPTIONS

This section covers options regarding the WebFile Paperless feature. Those who elect Paperless will only receive electronic notifications from the Commission. Paper copies of notices and filings will not be sent to users that elect Paperless.



BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

- ✓ Paperless Option can only be changed once per calendar day.
- ✓ People that elect Paperless will appear with the ≠ icon.

ELECTING PAPERLESS

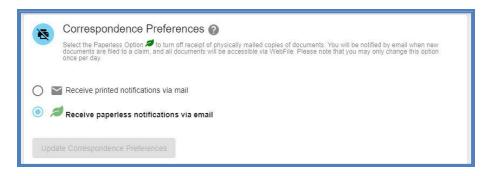


STEPS TO COMPLETE

- 1. Log in to WebFile.
- 2. If you have not enrolled in paperless, a paperless notification will pop-up.
- 3. Click the "Update Correspondence preferences" button.



- 4. Select the "Receive paperless notifications via email."
- 5. Click the "Update Correspondence Preferences" button.



6. Confirmation message will appear.



OPT OUT OF PAPERLESS



STEPS TO COMPLETE

- 1. Click the menu dropdown in the top right and select "Manage Profile."
- 2. Go to the "Correspondence Preferences" section.
- 3. Select the "Receive printed notifications via mail" option.
- 4. Click the "Update Correspondence Preferences" button.

WebFile SUPPORT

WebFile Support pertains directly to WebFile accounts, transactions, and errors. WebFile users can find answers and solutions to common issues such as creating or unlocking a WebFile account and viewing or managing a claim.

Click here to use the interactive WebFile Support tool.

WebFile Support

If you are still having issues, or have additional questions after using the WebFile Support tool, please visit workcomp.virginia.gov/webfile/webfile-support-request and complete a WebFile Support Request.

