

Steps to navigate an appeal of a denial for unemployment benefits after being fired for not receiving Covid-19 Vaccines.

Step 1

File a Request for Reconsideration with Service Canada



In the initial denial letter from Service Canada, there should be a reference to an option to make a formal Request for Reconsideration. The form to make this request to Service Canada can be found [here](#).

Step 2

File an appeal to the Social Security Tribunal of Canada, **General Division**



If your Request for Reconsideration is denied, you may file an appeal of Service Canada's decision to the General Division of the Social Security Tribunal within **30 days** from receipt of the denial letter. The Application to the General Division can be found [here](#).

Possible responses to your appeal application include:

- ⇒ A hearing is scheduled, wherein you are provided an opportunity to present your case and argue why your application for EI benefits should not have been denied. Representatives for Service Canada may also be present to make arguments as to why your claim was denied.
- ⇒ The application may be summarily dismissed through a written decision without a hearing. They may ask you to make further submissions before the application is dismissed.

Step 3

File an appeal to the Social Security Tribunal of Canada, **Appeal Division**



If you had a hearing and your appeal was dismissed, you may apply to the Appeal Division within **30 days** of the date of receipt of the decision to dismiss your appeal to the General Division. The appeal at this level is limited to an argument that the decision was made in an error of law or an error in fact. The Application to the Appeal Division can be found [here](#).

If your appeal was summarily dismissed without a hearing, you may apply to the Appeal Division within **45 days** of the date of the decision. Again, at this level of appeal the arguments are limited to an error of law or an error of fact. The Application to the Appeal Division can be found [here](#).