



Unemployment Insurance Agency On-Line Service for Employers



Currently, EWAM is used to file quarterly wage reports, quarterly tax reports, make tax payments, and update UIA employer account information. MiWAM will allow the same advantages and more!



As you know EWAM can be accessed from the UIA website under UIA online services for employers. MiWAM will be located in the same area as EWAM by clicking the employer tab on the left side of LARA homepage.

## MiWAM/EWAM Specifications

- For best results, you should have Internet Explorer 7.0 or later versions of these browsers. \*Internet Explorer 8.0 is highly encouraged.
- To access Internet Wage Filing, you must have a 10 digit UIA Employer Account Number.
- You can obtain an UIA account # by visiting MBOS at www.michigan.gov/business. You may call MBOS Customer Assistance Center (CAC) at 877-766-1779.
- If you need assistance, you may call 313-456-2188 for employer web account questions.
- To create a web account, you will need:
  - 1. Your UIA Employer Account Number
  - 2. Your business address of record

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This slide shows the difference between the EWAM and MiWAM Sign on screens. If you *do NOT* have a MiWAM account, simply click *sign up now* on the right side of the screen. If you already have a MiWAM account enter your username and password in the highlighted spaces on the left side of the screen.

## New functionality of MiWAM Services

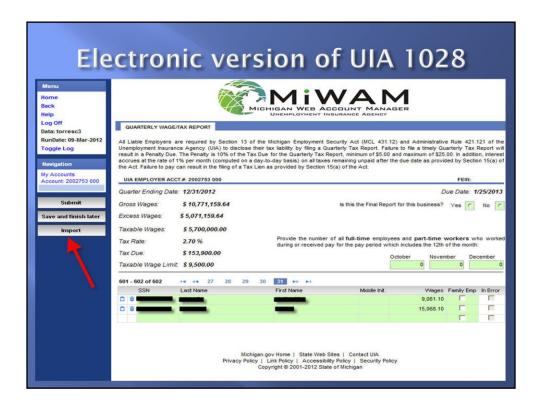
- Create Out-of-State Service Provider access!
- Withdraw an original tax report prior to the tax report being processed
- Employers can file POAs, 940 Certifications, Protests, Seasonal Designation, and more!
- Service Providers will have the functionality to upload a client list in MiWAM at which point a form (UIA 1163), will be generated to the employer and the service provider. The employer will have the *option to DENY access* to the service provider.
- Ability to import wage data from a rich text file to MiWAM on the UIA 1028 to eliminate the hassle of manual data entry
- Form UIA 1163 Acknowledgement of Authorization-Employer Representative
- If your preferred method of contact is paper, you will be mailed the request
- Caution: the level of access indicated on the POA may not be full access.
   Designated or Full options will grant full access. Limited may not grant full access.



EWAM lists services via hyperlinks and MiWAM uses tabs to access MiWAM services. The tabs include: accounts, requests, notices, letters and services. The left window pane allows the employers to navigate their profile and schedule multiple payments over a period of time. Employers may also edit addresses (physical and legal) and legal name.



- This screen allows you to classify your status.(i.e. Employer, Service Provider or Out-of-State Service provider)
- Service Providers will select from the list indicating they are a Service Provider and would like to "sign up for MiWAM because I have been granted access to view, change, or submit information by a client who is registered for Michigan Unemployment Taxes."
- The Service Provider must answer "Yes" or "No" to whether they are "an employer in the state of Michigan who is currently registered for Michigan Unemployment Taxes".
- The Service Provider is required to enter their UIA Account# and business zip code.
   The FEIN is optional. However, for Out-of-State Service Providers the FEIN is NOT OPTIONAL.
- Out-of-State providers will also be required to provide basic information for at least one of their Michigan clients to be able to establish a MiWAM account.
- Login Facts for Service Providers who do NOT have a UIA account:
  - Must provide their FEIN and the UIA account number and business zip code of one of their clients
  - This will establish a log-on for the Service Provider with the ability to upload a client file where they can tell us who they represent and the type of POA they have with that client



- Here is what the electronic version of the Employer's Quarterly Wage/Tax Report
   (UIA form 1028) will look like in MiWAM. <u>Remember:</u> When using the online
   service, MiWAM, only the wage detail portion of the report needs to be completed
   (calculating excess wages, taxable wages and tax due will be done automatically).
- When completing this screen remember to fill in the employee counts in the quarter listed (broken down by the months associated with the quarter) in the green boxes in the middle of the screen
- You are also required to indicate whether your report is the final report for your business by clicking "yes" or "no" at the top, right of the screen.

## Information to Remember...

- **Starting 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, you must file a combined report (UIA − 1028).**
- **■** Benefits include:
  - You only need to fill out wage data only
  - You will get the same receive date for both, Tax and Wage reports
- Wage reports are due on the 25th day of the month following the end of each quarter.

An example of due dates for a wage report is: First quarter of the year ending March 31st, would have a due date of April 25th. Your report would be subject to a late filing penalty after April 25th for that quarter.



MiWAM can also be accessed through the Michigan Business One Stop web site, www.michigan.gov/business (after the registration process is completed)



- If you **DO NOT** wish to establish a *complete MBOS profile*, then you can click on the right "go" for direct access to register for an UIA account **or** to access MiWAM.
- If you wish to fully utilize the MBOS then click "go" on the left.
- If you register your business using the MBOS webpage (left side "go"), then you only need to sign into MiWAM once.
- If you register your business using the right side "go", then you will need to login to MiWAM *every time you select a MiWAM task.*
- \*\*This slide does NOT show the sign-in screen for MiWAM/EWAM\*\*



\*\*\*Presenter Note: the sign-in page is being developed and not yet available ...this slide is generic\*\*\*

- There will be a one-time sign-in page to MiWAM from your Michigan Business One Stop account where you would enter your username and authorization code. After this process there will be a link that will take you to MiWAM directly.
- Again, when you registered your business and went through the left side link, then
  you only need to sign into MiWAM once and if you went through the right side link
  when the business was registered, then you will see a sign on screen every time
  you select a MiWAM task.

## Some Points to Keep In Mind



- 1. Can I update wages on an amended report from the original employee who was not added?
- 2. Will I be able to view both version 1 and version 2 of an amended report at the same time?
- 3. Will I be able to electronically protest a determination or respond to Agency correspondence?



- 1. Answer: No, you can NOT amend prior information and add new information. *You must re-submit your entire report with changes*.
- \*\*\*If the wages for the quarter are increasing, the tax due for the quarter will also increase and you will get an assessment from the Agency if you don't pay the additional taxes due.\*\*\*
- 2. Answer: No, you will be able to see the current version of the amended report only. However, if you would like to see previously submitted versions you can view these under the activity tab.
- 3. Answer: Yes, you will go to the <u>account services tab</u> to either protest a determination or respond to any open fact finding issues.

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Updated employer webcasts will be available 24 hours a day 7 days a week. MiWAM webcasts will also be available to assist with online specific functions.



Electronic wage reporting will be available *until* August 13, 2012 when the new system goes live. At that time, contact information for Electronic wage reporting will be disabled. (The Agency will filter the contact through the MiWAM support contact information).