



## UNEMPLOYMENT CARD HOLDER RIGHTS

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Additional points awarded in public employment calls through ASEP	ASEP [Supreme Council for Civil Personnel Selection]	<b>Law No. 3051/2002</b> "Constitutionally established independent authorities, amendment and supplementation of the public sector recruitment system, and related provisions"  <b>Law No. 3812/2009. "Reform of the public sector recruitment system, and other provisions"</b>	Additional points awarded for length of unemployment spell as a ranking criterion
Additional points awarded in public works programmes	OAED	<b>Subparagraph 14.1 of Law No. 4152/2013</b>	Right to participate in public works programmes; additional points awarded for length of unemployment spell as a ranking criterion
Right to participate in Active Labour Market Policies (Employment, Training, Employment Counseling)	OAED	<b>1. Employment Programmes:</b> Law No. 1262/82, Law No. 2956/2001, Law No. 4144/2013, Law No. 2434/96, Law No. 4430/2016 <b>2. Training Programmes:</b> Law No. 4430/2016 <b>3. Employment Counselling Services:</b> Law No. 2956/01 "Restructuring of OAED, and other provisions", Ministerial Decision No. 80030/13.07.2007	Right to participate in employment programmes; additional points awarded for length of unemployment spell as a ranking criterion; right to participate in employment counselling services; unemployment status retained during the training period
Right to participate in Social Protection Programmes (Social Tourism, Summer Camp). [A specific period of registered unemployment is required for participation in each one of these programmes.]	OAED	<b>Art. 34 of Law No. 4144/2013</b> – The programmes are determined by a relevant Joint Ministerial Decision issued each year, as legally required	<b>1. Social Tourism Programme:</b> The programme is aimed at those who, in the year preceding the start of the programme, have worked for at least 50 days as employees insured with IKA ETAM with contributions to the now abolished Workers' Fund Organization, or who have received from OAED special maternity protection benefits for 50 days or unemployment benefit for at least 2 months (50 daily unemployment benefits) or have accrued a total of 50 days of the above (working days, special maternity protection days, and unemployment benefit days), or who are registered in the OAED Special Register of Unemployed Persons with Disabilities on the date of the application deadline. <b>2. Summer Camp Programme:</b> The programme is aimed at those unemployed persons who are registered with OAED and who, on the date of the application deadline, have completed a continuous unemployment period of at least four (4) months.
Insurance through the ELEKP [Special Account for the Implementation of Social Policies] – LAEK branch in the IKA-ETAM sector of health insurance in kind	OAED/IKA	<b>Law No. 2434/96, Law No. 3144/2003</b>	Sickness benefits in kind to those who have completed at least 3,000 days in the IKA health insurance sector and are unemployed persons registered with OAED for at least twelve consecutive months before submitting their application for IKA insurance.
Optional Insurance in the Pension Branches and ETEA (Auxiliary Insurance) through the ELEKP - LAEK branch.	OAED/IKA	<b>Law No. 2787/2002, Ministerial Decision No. 30274/2001</b>	The unemployed persons (men over 60, women over 55) who can join the optional insurance programme to meet the conditions of the IKA old-age pension must also be registered with OAED and hold a valid unemployment card for at least twelve (12) consecutive months before applying.
PPC (DEI) Social Residential Tariff coverage	YPEKA	Decision of the Ministry of Energy and Climate Change (YPEKA; now (2019) Ministry of Environment and Energy) <b>Δ5-ΗΛ/Β/Φ29/16027/6.8.10</b> on the protection of vulnerable consumer groups; in force as amended by the relevant YPEKA decisions: <b>Δ5-ΗΛ/Β/Φ29/6713/24.3.11</b> <b>Δ5-ΗΛ/Β/Φ1.20/off. 878/17.1.13</b> <b>Δ5-ΗΛ/Β/Φ29/off. 21235/21.11.2013</b>	The Social Residential Tariff is granted to those unemployed persons who have been registered with OAED for a period of at least 6 months and have an annual family income of less than €12,000, provided that specific conditions, controlled by the competent agency, are also met.
Tax deductions or exemptions (ENFIA/Unified Property Tax etc.).	MINISTRY OF FINANCE	<b>Law No. 4223 / 2013, article 7, par. 1, 2 (OGG No. 287 A)</b>	A 50% or 100% tax deduction is given to taxpayers who cannot afford to pay their total debt for the relevant year, or who have four or more children, or who are disabled (provided that specific legal conditions are also met).
Inclusion in favourable arrangements regarding loans, debts etc. ("Katseli Law")	MINISTRY OF FINANCE	<b>Law No. 3869/2010, as amended by Law No. 4161/2013</b>	The said law aims to support borrowers affected by the economic crisis, income reduction, unemployment, liabilities to the state, and health problems, thus being unable to repay their loan and debt instalments in general. All natural persons other than traders are beneficiaries of this law: more particularly, civil servants and private sector employees, freelancers, pensioners, artists, housewives, renters, the unemployed and those deprived of income.  The supporting documents to be submitted, so that the judge can be fully aware of the borrower-debtor's status before declaring the application admissible are the following: 1. Applicant's family status certificate (issued by the relevant Municipality or a local KEP (Citizen's Service Centre)); 2. Living expenses (rent, utility bills such as DEI and EYDAP, building fees, land line and cell phone bills, etc.); 3. Applicant's income (salary, pension, rent or other source of income); 4. Recent relevant debt statements from banks; 5. Unemployment card and relevant OAED document certifying that the unemployed applicant receives the unemployment benefit or not.
Free use of public transport	OASA [Athens Urban Transport Organization]	<b>Law No. 4331/2015 (article 77) / A-40580/3128 / 30.06.2015</b> <b>Joint Ministerial Decision</b>	The unemployed may use all OASA means of public transport free of charge
Right to participate in private sector business offers	PRIVATE BUSINESSES	Not governed by a legal framework	Private initiative
Beneficiaries of various allowances (e.g. heating allowance)	E-GOVERNANCE DIRECTORATE OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT FOR PUBLIC REVENUE	<b>Circ. No.1262/2015, AMENDMENT Circ. No. 1189/2016</b>	The application is submitted via the TAXIS-NET system.
Potential beneficiaries of the Social Solidarity Income	MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS	Law No. 4389/2016 Government Gazette Issue B 2089 / 2016	Interconnection with activation services aimed at labour-market integration or reintegration, as well as social reintegration, of beneficiaries
Potential benefits from Municipal services (e.g. municipal swimming pools, municipal theatres).	MUNICIPAL UNDERTAKINGS	Not governed by a legal framework	Initiative of Municipalities
Free access to archaeological sites, monuments and museums	MINISTRY OF CULTURE	Joint Ministerial Decision (Government Gazette Issue No. 2173B / 13.7.2016, No. 3, par. 2, xiv)	Holders of a valid active unemployment card are entitled to free access to archaeological sites, monuments and museums.