

A VQ/RWE – Requirements

VQ/RWE requirements are as follows:

- The participant cannot have refused or quit a job, without [good cause](#), in which one of the following applies:

The participant was employed at least 20 hours per week.

The participant earned income equal to the federal minimum wage multiplied by 20 hours per week.

NOTE This requirement also applies to a [TPEP Primary Wage Earner](#) when they have refused a bona fide offer of employment or training within 30 days before the period for which TPEP is to be paid.

- The participant cannot have reduced their work effort. A reduction in work effort occurs when a participant who was working at least 30 hours per week cuts down to less than 30 hours per week.
- The participant cannot be a local, state, or federal government employee who takes part in a strike against their government employer. (See [CA Participants Not Considered Strikers](#) and [NA Participants Not Considered Strikers](#))