

April 17, 2008

### **Clarification on How JobCentral and JobNet Work Together - Update**

Information has been added explaining how the download from JobCentral and VetCentral to JobNet operates. The new text is shown below, in red.

In late November we sent you information about JobCentral - how employers can upload to JobCentral, and how JobCentral and JobNet work together. Since then, we have had a number of requests for clarification.

JobNet's 'Enhanced Job Search' has been modified to display job orders downloaded from the JobCentral site. This change was made to help Federal Contractor employers meet job listing regulations.

There is **NO CHARGE** for employers to have job orders from their website indexed (uploaded electronically) to JobCentral. Job orders are then transferred nightly from JobCentral to JobNet. This is a tremendous improvement for employers who are not able to enter their job orders directly into JobNet due to workload issues. ***Any employer, not just Federal Contractors, may use the upload feature to get their jobs on JobCentral and JobNet.***

[Instructions for employers to have their websites indexed by JobCentral](#)

### **JobCentral and VetCentral Download to JobNet**

When JobCentral was asked the question "How many job orders are there for Wisconsin in VetCentral that don't also exist in JobCentral?". JobCentral's response was "none".

Job orders listed in JobCentral are not immediately displayed in JobNet. JobCentral creates a list of job orders for display in JobNet about 6:00 a.m. in the morning and JobNet loads the job orders into JobNet during the evening batch cycle around 8:00 p.m. Batch processes such as loading the JobCentral job orders into JobNet are run in the evening to avoid putting a load on the database during work hours that could slow JobNet system response times. **Under current processing, if JobCentral acquires a job order after 6:00 a.m., the job order will not be displayed on JobNet until the evening of the following day.** For example, a job first acquired by JobCentral on 4/16/2008 at 10:42 PM will be displayed in JobNet at 8:00 p.m. on 4/17/2008.

JobCentral job orders are only displayed in the version of JobNet at <http://jobnet.wisconsin.gov/jobnet> when an enhanced search is done. JobCentral job orders are not currently displayed in the version of JobNet at <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/jobnet> or Wisconsin Seasonal Jobs at <http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/seasonaljobs/>.

## Changes in JobNet's Enhanced Search

- A Quality-Checked checkmark icon appears next to those job orders entered through JobNet Business and approved by Job Center staff. The icon lets the job seeker know that these job orders have been checked for quality.



[Software Engineer](#)

MIDDLETON Full-Time

\$58,739.00 Per Year

11/16/2007

Source: Wisconsin's JobNet

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- A Flag icon appears next to all job orders submitted by Federal contractors.



[Assistant Store Manager - Madison, WI](#)

Madison

11/15/2007

Source: Job Central

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When a job seeker clicks the link for a JobCentral job order, the job order details will be displayed in a new window displaying the information either on the JobCentral site or the employer's web site. Job seekers will be notified that they are leaving JobNet, as shown below:

**You are now leaving Wisconsin's JobNet Website**

The job order you selected was listed by Job Central. The "View Job Order" link below will take you to the employer's web page for the job listing. The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development is not responsible for the content or services of this external web site.

[View Job Order](#)  
or  
[Return to the Job Order List Page](#)

This change only applies to JobNet 3.0 Enhanced Job Search option. JobNet 2.0 (the version with the map), Seasonal JobNet, and WORKnet will still only display job orders entered through JobNet Business.

## Federal Contractor Identifier

Jobs sent from JobNet and displayed on JobCentral do not include the Federal Contractor flag. We have asked JobCentral to pick up that field, so the flag can be displayed on JobCentral, but we haven't received a response at this time.

## Searching by Employer Name - Different Results in JobCentral than in JobNet

Several Job Center staff have asked, "Why can't I find an employer's jobs in JobNet, when the jobs are on JobCentral?" We have researched it, and have asked JobCentral for clarification. However, we do know the following:

- Within the JobCentral site, you can get varied results for the same company, depending on how you search. A keyword search on 'GE' in Wisconsin produces two matches, both for GE Healthcare. A keyword search on 'General Electric' in Wisconsin produces no results. Clicking on General Electric from the alphabetized list of employers, then narrowing the search to Wisconsin, produces 261 matches.
- Within JobNet there also variances. An Employer Name search in JobNet 3.0 on 'GE' produces nothing because that field requires that at least three characters be entered. An Employer Name search on 'General Electric' produces nothing. An Employer Name search on 'GE Healthcare' produces four matches.
- We only pull a file from JobCentral once each day. If an employer makes changes to their JobCentral record after the file is pulled, those changes will not be reflected in JobNet until the next file is pulled.

Staff have contacted JobCentral and asked which field(s) they use for the employer name. Our research shows that, in some cases, the employer's name in JobCentral is different from the employer's name in the file we receive from JobCentral. When a response is received, we hope to be able to provide better search instructions to you, and to possibly refine the search function in JobNet 3.0. In the example above, we know that JobCentral is sending us the employer's name as 'GE' even though it is listed as 'General Electric' on JobCentral. We hope JobCentral's response will identify the field(s) they use when sending the employer's name to us.

A discussion was held about allowing an Employer Name search in JobNet 3.0 on just two characters, however that idea was discarded. While it would help in this particular scenario (GE), most other Employer Name searches would either error out, or become bogged down with many, many matches.

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