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Center for Employment & Economic Supports

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TO: Commissioners; TA & FS Directors; WMS Coordinators; CAP Coordinators; MA Directors

FROM: Russell Sykes, Deputy Commissioner, Center for Employment & Economic Supports

SUBJECT: UPS – Updated – Food Stamp Standards for October 1, 2010

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2010

CONTACT PERSON: FS Questions – Food Stamp Bureau (518) 473-1469
MRB/A Upstate Questions – John Pezzulo (518) 473-3468

As of October 1, 2010 the Food Stamp standards will be as follows:

The standard deduction amounts that will be used in the annual FS mass re-budgeting for October 1, 2010:

Household Size	Standard Deduction
1	\$142
2	\$142
3	\$142
4	\$153
5	\$179
6+	\$205

The minimum allotment for one and two-person households remains at \$16.

Maximum Excess Shelter Deduction: \$458
Homeless Shelter Deduction: \$143 (unchanged)
Boarder/Lodger Exclusion: \$200 for one person and \$367 for two persons (unchanged)

Household size	200% of Poverty**	Monthly Income Elderly/Disabled Separate/Household 165% of Poverty*	Maximum Gross Monthly Income 130% of Poverty	Maximum Net Monthly Income 100% of Poverty	Maximum Allotment
1	\$1,805	\$1,490	\$1,174	\$903	\$200
2	\$2,428	\$2,004	\$1,579	\$1,215	\$367
3	\$3,052	\$2,518	\$1,984	\$1,526	\$526
4	\$3,675	\$3,032	\$2,389	\$1,838	\$668
5	\$4,298	\$3,547	\$2,794	\$2,150	\$793
6	\$4,922	\$4,061	\$3,200	\$2,461	\$952
7	\$5,545	\$4,575	\$3,605	\$2,773	\$1,052
8	\$6,168	\$5,089	\$4,010	\$3,085	\$1,202
Each Add'l Member	+\$623	+\$515	\$406	+\$312	+\$150

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*Elderly (60 years of age or older) or disabled household members (and their spouses) who are incapable of buying food or preparing meals due to a disability may apply as a separate food unit if the income of the others with whom the individual resides (excluding the income of the elderly or disabled individual and spouse) do not exceed the 165% limit.

**FS households containing an aged or disabled individual, and households that pay out-of-pocket dependent care costs that pass the 200% gross income test and do not contain a FS-sanctioned or an Intentional Program Violation (IPV) member are categorically eligible for FS benefits.

There will be no change to the amounts of the HT/AC SUA, Non- Heating SUA and Phone SUA:

Geographic Area	HT/AC SUA	UTIL SUA	PHONE SUA
NYC	\$781	\$308	\$33.00
Nassau & Suffolk	\$727	\$286	\$33.00
Rest of State	\$645	\$261	\$33.00

As of October 1, 2010, the NYSNIP benefit amounts will be as follows:

NYSNIP BENEFITS MATRIX BY SHELTER TYPES

HOUSEHOLD		MONTHLY FOOD STAMP BENEFIT AMOUNT		
		New York City	Nassau/Suffolk	Upstate
Shelter Type 94 (High Shelter/SUA)	SSI Only	\$200	\$200	\$200
	Other Income	\$200	\$200	\$200
Shelter Type 95 (Low Shelter/SUA)	SSI Only	\$200	\$200	\$184
	Other Income	\$200	\$199	\$175
Shelter Type 96 (High Shelter/ SUA/\$1 HEA)	SSI Only	\$200	\$200	\$200
	Other Income	\$200	\$200	\$200
Shelter Type 97 (Low Shelter/ SUA/\$1 HEA)	SSI Only	\$200	\$200	\$184
	Other Income	\$200	\$199	\$175
Shelter Type 98 (No Shelter or SUA Data)	SSI Only	\$60	\$60	\$60
	Other Income	\$56	\$56	\$56

A copy of the mass notice sent to recipients is attached. If the notice does not print properly and a hard copy is needed, please request a faxed copy via the contacts listed above. Please note that the attached mass notice is also being used to update the gross monthly income standards (130% of poverty level) to those households subject to six-month reporting rules.