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# NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE 40 NORTH PEARL STREET ALBANY, NY 12243-0001

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# **Informational Letter**

### Section 1

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Transmittal:	04-INF-14					
To:	Local District Commissioners					
Issuing Division/Office:	Division of Temporary Assistance					
Date:	May 28, 2004					
Subject:	Revision of the Mandated Food Stamp Benefits Civil Rights Complaint Procedure					
	Poster (LDSS-8036)					
Suggested	Food Stamp Benefits Directors					
Distribution:	Temporary Assistance Directors					
	HEAP Coordinators					
	Medicaid Directors					
	Employment Coordinators					
	CAP Coordinators					
	TOP Coordinators					
	WMS Coordinators					
	Staff Development Coordinators					
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	Eastern Region - (518) 473-1469					
	Central Region - (518) 474-9344					
	Western Region - (518) 473-0332					
	Metro Region - (212) 383-1658					
	WMS Questions: (518) 474-8749					
<b>Attachments:</b>	LDSS-8036: Food Stamp Benefits Complaint Procedure Poster (Rev.4/04)					
	(Eng./Span.)					
Attachment Available On –						

# **Filing References**

Previous ADMs/INFs	Releases Cancelled	Dept. Regs.	Soc. Serv. Law & Other Legal Ref.	Manual Ref.	Misc. Ref.
03 LCM-3				FSSB: Page 3 Section 8	

#### **Section 2**

#### I. Purpose

The purpose of this INF is to introduce the revised 4/04 version of the LDSS-8036: "Food Stamp Benefits Complaint Procedure" (English/Spanish) poster.

## II. Background

03 LCM-3 provided Local Social Services Districts (LSSDs) with a statewide, uniform procedure for civil rights complaints concerning the Food Stamp Benefits Program. One of those procedures is the requirement for LSSDs to publicize the applicant's/recipient's right to request a conference if they have a civil rights complaint and if that complaint is not resolved, information where the applicant/recipient can file a complaint in writing. The LDSS-8036: "Food Stamp Benefits Complaint Procedure" poster (English/Spanish) was developed for this purpose, contains that information and continues to be required to be displayed in all local Food Stamp Benefits offices.

#### III. Revisions to the Poster

- The revision date was changed on both the front (English side) and the reverse (Spanish side) to 4/04.
- All references to "Food Stamps" on the poster were changed to "Food Stamp Benefits".

## IV. Forms ordering and Usage

In order for the revised poster to be displayed in LSSD Food Stamp Benefits Offices within a reasonable time, you may continue to display the previous version (2/00) **only until** you have placed an order for the 4/04 versions and they have been received or until September 2004, whichever occurs first.

Upon receipt of the 4/04 posters, immediately remove and replace any previous versions with the revised poster.

Requests for the 4/04 printed copies of the revised LDSS-8036 should be submitted on OTDA-876 (Rev.6/98): "Request for Forms or Publications" form, and should be sent to:

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
Document Services
P.O. Box 1990
Albany, New York 12201

Questions concerning ordering posters should be directed to Document Services at 1-800-343-8859, ext. 4-9522.

In addition, for local district staff, an electronic PDF version of this poster referenced in this INF can be accessed on the OTDA Intranet website at <a href="http://sdssnet5/otda/ldss\_eforms/default.htm">http://sdssnet5/otda/ldss\_eforms/default.htm</a>

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