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General Information System (GIS) Message

Section 1

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Subject:	Upstate and NYC – Updated Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Standards for October 2023
Effective Date:	October 1, 2023
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Attachments:	Attachment 1 – 2023 Thrifty Notice Attachment 2 – LDSS-5006 Notice to ALL SNAP Recipients

Section 2

In compliance with federal requirements at 7 CFR 273.9(a)(3), the following SNAP standards are effective as of October 1, 2023.

The standard deduction amounts that will be used in the annual SNAP mass re-budgeting for October 1, 2023 are as follows:

Household Size	Standard Deduction
1	\$198
2	\$198
3	\$198
4	\$208
5	\$244
6+	\$279

The minimum allotment for one and two-person households will remain \$23.

Maximum Excess Shelter Deductions: **\$672**
Homeless Shelter Deduction: **\$179.66**
Boarder/Lodger Exclusion: **\$291 for 1 person; or \$535 for 2 persons**

The new Federal Poverty Limit (FPL) thresholds are as follows effective October 1, 2023:

Household size	200% of FPL*	165% of FPL**	150% of FPL***	Maximum Gross Monthly Income 130% of FPL	Maximum Net Monthly Income 100% of FPL	Maximum Allotment
1	\$2,430	\$2,005	\$1,823	\$1,580	\$1,215	\$291
2	\$3,287	\$2,712	\$2,465	\$2,137	\$1,644	\$535
3	\$4,143	\$3,419	\$3,108	\$2,694	\$2,072	\$766
4	\$5,000	\$4,125	\$3,750	\$3,250	\$2,500	\$973
5	\$5,857	\$4,832	\$4,393	\$3,807	\$2,929	\$1,155
6	\$6,713	\$5,539	\$5,035	\$4,364	\$3,357	\$1,386
7	\$7,570	\$6,246	\$5,678	\$4,921	\$3,785	\$1,532
8	\$8,427	\$6,952	\$6,320	\$5,478	\$4,214	\$1,751
Each Add'l Member	+\$857	+\$707	+\$643	+\$557	+\$429	+\$219

*SNAP households containing any aged or disabled members, and households that pay out-of-pocket dependent care costs, that pass the 200% FPL gross income test and do not contain a SNAP-sanctioned or an Intentional Program Violation (IPV) member are categorically eligible for SNAP, meaning that such households are not subject to a resource test, and that such households of one or two persons are, minimally, eligible to receive the \$23 minimum allotment for households of one or two persons.

**Elderly (60 years of age or older) or 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 and disabled individual and his/her spouse) do not exceed the 165% FPL amount.

***SNAP households with **earned** income budgeted for the purpose of determining SNAP eligibility and benefit amount that **do not** contain a household member that is sanctioned or disqualified for an Intentional Program Violation (IPV), failure to comply with work rules or voluntary job quit, that **do not** contain an aged or disabled member, and that **do not** pay out-of-pocket dependent care costs, must pass the 150% FPL gross income test.

It should be noted that, per USDA rules, all households of three or more people, after the applicable Gross and/or Net Income Test(s) are passed, must have their monthly Net Income calculate out to a positive SNAP Allotment to be eligible to receive benefits.

Additionally, effective October 1, 2023, the resource limit for households will remain \$2,750, and the resource limit for households where at least one person is age 60 or older, or is disabled, will remain \$4,250. A resource test continues to apply only in situations where the household is not considered to be categorically eligible.

Also, effective October 1, 2023, the threshold for required reporting of changes in household income will remain \$125.

There will be **reductions** to the amounts of the Heating/Air Conditioning Standard Utility Allowance (“HT/AC” SUA in Upstate ABEL) as well as the Utility SUA (UTIL in Upstate ABEL), and “Combined Heat/Utility/Phone SUA” in NYC ABEL) as well as the Utility (UTIL) SUA (“Limited Utility Allowance” or “LUA” in NYC ABEL). The Phone SUA remains unchanged.

The SUA amounts are as follows effective October 1, 2023:

Geographic Area	HT/AC SUA	UTIL SUA	PHONE SUA
NYC	\$992	\$391	\$31
Nassau & Suffolk	\$923	\$363	\$31
Rest of State	\$819	\$332	\$31

NOTE: The SUA values other than the Phone SUA include amounts for water, sewage and trash collection.

NYSNIP BENEFITS MATRIX BY SHELTER TYPES

Effective 10/01/23 – 12/31/23*

*All NYSNIP cases must be converted to NYSCAP per [21 TA/DC080](#)

HOUSEHOLD		SNAP MONTHLY BENEFIT AMOUNT		
		New York City	Nassau/Suffolk	Upstate
Shelter Type 94 (High Shelter/SUA)	SSI Only	\$291	\$291	\$291
	Other Income	\$291	\$291	\$288
Shelter Type 95 (Low Shelter/SUA)	SSI Only	\$291	\$291	\$265
	Other Income	\$291	\$287	\$256
Shelter Type 96 (High Shelter/ SUA/\$21)	SSI Only	\$291	\$291	\$291
	Other Income	\$291	\$291	\$288
Shelter Type 96 (High Shelter/ No SUA)	SSI Only	\$60	\$60	\$60
	Other Income	\$51	\$51	\$51
Shelter Type 97 (Low Shelter/ SUA/\$21)	SSI Only	\$291	\$291	\$265
	Other Income	\$291	\$287	\$256
Shelter Type 97 (Low Shelter/ No SUA)	SSI Only	\$50	\$50	\$50
	Other Income	\$44	\$44	\$44
Shelter Type 98 (No Shelter or SUA)	SSI Only	\$50	\$50	\$50
	Other Income	\$44	\$44	\$44

Notices

Federal regulations do not require individual notice regarding mass changes. Therefore, districts should immediately post the attached public notice in English and Spanish regarding the October 2023 SNAP standards. The posters must be displayed in certification offices, issuance locations, and other sites frequented by certified households to ensure households are informed of the change. OTDA will not be printing and drop shipping copies of the posters.

Districts are encouraged to either post the link to the [poster](#) or add the poster directly to their district’s website.