# **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Fact Sheet**

To qualify for the Water Distribution Program under the SNAP qualification requirements, the following criteria must be met:

### • Citizenship:

- o Applicants must be a US Citizen or qualified non-citizens.
- Non-citizens must meet one of the following criteria:
  - Have lived in the United States, including the Virgin Islands, for at least 5 years
  - Be receiving disability-related assistance or benefits
  - Be children under 18
- Social security numbers must be provided for everyone in the household.

# • Work Requirements:

- Applicants are required to work or participate in a work program for at least 20 hours per week.
- Some special groups may not be subject to these requirements including:
  - Children (under 18)
  - Elderly (60 years or older)
  - Pregnant women
  - Veterans
- Households that consist entirely of elderly or disabled members are not subject to work requirements.

### • Elderly & Disabled:

- You are considered elderly if you are 60 years or older.
- You are considered disabled if you receive a disability benefit from a governmental agency because of a disability or have received a disability diagnosis by a medical professional.
- If you or a member of your household is elderly or disabled, higher annual gross income limits apply; see below and Table 1 for more details.

### • Annual Income Limits:

- Household annual income must be at or below the limits specified in Table 1.
- Income is considered:
  - Wages, tips, commissions (before tax/ deductions)
  - Income from self-employment
  - Child support and alimony
  - Social Security benefits (SS, SSI, SSDI)
  - Unemployment benefits
  - Worker's compensation
  - Veterans' benefits
  - Retirement payments/ benefits (including pensions & annuities)
- A household with at least one elderly or disabled person is subject to higher annual income limits, as shown in Table 1.

# • Resource Limits:

- Households may have up to \$2,750 (or up to \$4,250 if at least one member is elderly or disabled) in cash, funds in a bank account, or non-retirement accounts.
- o Your primary residence and retirement plans do **NOT** count towards resource limits.

# **How to Determine Your Household Under SNAP**

Everyone who lives together and purchases and prepares meals together is grouped together as one household.

Spouses and children under age 22 are included in the same household even if they purchase and prepare meals separately.

Table 1: Annual Income Eligibility Limits Under SNAP

Annual Gross Income Limits	Household Size								Asset/
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Resource Limitations
Non-elderly/ disabled households	\$18,960	\$25,644	\$32,328	\$39,000	\$45,684	\$52,368	\$59,052	\$65,736	<\$2,750 resources
Households with at least one elderly/ disabled member	\$24,060	\$32,544	\$41,028	\$49,500	\$57,984	\$66,468	\$74,952	\$83,424	<\$4,250 resources

Note: The household size is determined by the number of individuals listed in Section D of the Claim Form plus the applicant (if the applicant is not otherwise listed in Section D).

Household income is the total of the individual annual income for each member of the applicant's household that is older than 18.

# Table 2: Acceptable Documentation to Prove Eligibility Under SNAP

To qualify for the Water Distribution Program under the SNAP requirements, the following documents verify eligibility:

## To verify Citizenship:

- US Passport
- US Birth certificate
- Certificate of Naturalization
- Certificate of Citizenship
- Consular Report of Birth Abroad or Certification of Birth
- U.S. Citizen Identification Card

#### To verify eligibility as a Qualified Non-Citizen:

- Documents establishing residency in the United States, including the Virgin Islands, no later than 5 years prior to the claim submission date, such as:
  - o Driver's License
  - Other ID with an address
  - Lease, mortgage statement, or deed
  - Credit card statement
  - o Utility bill
  - Other bills or documents that establish the applicant's home address
- Record of receipt of disability-related assistance or benefits
- Documents establishing age of a child under 18, such as:
  - Nursery Book/Infant Card
  - o Birth Certificate
  - Passport or Passport ID/Visa
  - Baptismal Record (not a copy)
  - Photo ID (school, health, other)
  - o Immunization Record
  - o Driver's License
  - o Census Record
  - Other valid government issued ID with date of birth

# To verify existence of **Social Security Numbers**:

Provide a written list of Social Security numbers for all household members, this is required

# To verify Work Requirements:

- Employment Agreement
- Recent paystubs
- Evidence of participation in employment and training programs such as emails or letter confirming participation.
- Evidence of participation in a work program such as emails or letter confirming participation.

# To verify **Exemption from Work Requirements**:

• Any document mentioned herein to validate standing as a child (18 years or younger).

- Documentation of standing as an <u>Elderly Household Member</u> or <u>Disabled Household Member</u> (see below).
- Health records confirming pregnancy.
- Military ID or other record of service in the military.

### To verify an Elderly Household Member:

- Driver's License
- Military ID
- Census Record
- Any of the <u>Citizenship</u> documents showing date of birth
- Other valid government issued ID with date of birth

### To verify a Disabled Household Member:

- Health records or letter from a health professional certifying a diagnosed disability
- Record of receipt of disability benefits.
- Health records

### To verify Income:

- Paystub (most recent)
- Check Stub/Statement (most recent)
- Bank Book/Statement (most recent)
- Verification of Employment Letter
- Foster Care Stub (most recent)
- Tax Forms (most recent)
- Social Security Letter/Statement
- Alimony ruling
- Child support ruling
- Unemployment benefits statement
- Worker's compensation benefits statement
- Veterans' benefits statement
- Retirement/Pensions statement
- Foster Care Stub (most recent)
- Receipts of Payment Received
- LES (Military Earning Statement)
- Other reasonable verification of income

#### To verify Resources:

- Checking Account Statements
- Savings Account Statements
- Stocks & Bonds Statements
- Savings Certificates Statements
- Certificates of Deposit (CDs) Statements