



Policies and civil rights

Failure to comply with the rules below may result in disqualification from participation in the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP).

Rights

1. Standards for participation in the Program are the same for everyone regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, age or disability.
2. You may appeal any decision made by the local agency regarding your denial or termination from the Program. You have a right to a fair hearing.
3. The local agency will provide notification of a decision to deny or terminate CSFP benefits. The local agency will also provide notice of the individual's right to appeal this decision by requesting a fair hearing.
4. The local agency will make nutrition education available to all participants and provide information on other nutrition, health, or assistances programs, and make referrals as appropriate.
5. Improper use or receipt of CSFP benefits as a result of dual participation or other program violations may lead to a claim against the individual to recover the value of the benefits, and may lead to disqualification from CSFP.
6. Participants must report changes in household income or composition within 10 days after the change becomes known to the household.

Responsibilities

1. Do not make false statements orally or in writing in order to obtain benefits to which you or your household would not otherwise be eligible.
2. Do not conceal information in order to obtain benefits for which you are not eligible.
3. Do not alter Program documents for the purpose of receiving increased benefits for which you are not eligible or for the purpose of transferring benefits to unauthorized individuals.
4. Do not use supplemental foods in an unauthorized manner, such as trading or selling the foods.
5. Do not commit dual participation in CSFP (locally and/or across states).

Ineligibility

I will be advised in writing that I am ineligible to participate in the Commodity Supplemental Food Program and have the right to a fair hearing. Criteria for ineligibility may include age, income, or home address.