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SNAP REQUIREMENTS TO REPORT YOUR WORK HOURS WENT BACK INTO EFFECT JULY 1, 2023

As of **September 1, 2023**, these reporting requirements expanded to Kentuckians 18-52 years old

OVER 30,300 ADULTS IN KENTUCKY NEED TO COMPLETE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS TO REMAIN ELIGIBLE FOR SNAP

SNAP participants between ages 18 and 52 must meet and report one of the following requirements to keep their benefits, unless they are part of a household with a child under 18 (including all adults in the household, not just parents, even if the child is ineligible for food stamps) or have a documented disability:

- Work at least 80 hours per month or at least 20 hours per week. That may include self-employment, volunteer work and work for goods or services (e.g. bartering). It also includes migrant/seasonal farmworkers under contract to begin work within 30 days. People will remain eligible if they have a good cause for failure to work 80 hours in a given month (e.g. illness, transportation problem, family emergency)
- Earn 30x minimum wage per week regardless of hours



WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR SNAP?

Obtaining grocery help through SNAP requires a household's income and resources to be reviewed for eligibility, including:

- Gross monthly income, which is household income before deductions, must be **at or below 130% of the poverty line**. For example, a family of three qualifies if its income does not exceed \$2,694 a month, or about \$32,328 a year.
- Net income, which is household income after deductions are applied, must be at or below the poverty line.
- Assets must fall below certain limits. Households may have no more than \$2,750 in cash and bank account assets. If a member of the household is 60 or older, the household may have no more than \$4,250 in resources. Some resources are not used to calculate assets including the home, personal belongings and vehicles.

KENTUCKY CURRENTLY WAIVES THE ASSET TEST



KENTUCKY'S REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Kentucky is phasing in an expansion of reporting requirements to people aged 50-54.

This started with people aged 50-52 Sept. 1, 2023 and will go up to age 54 on Oct. 1, 2024.

KENTUCKY SNAP REPORTING REQUIREMENTS SCREENING GUIDE

SNAP recipients between 18 and 52 will have to meet work monthly work requirements or they will lose their benefits. However, there are exemptions from this rule including having a child in the home or a documented disability. Three new exemptions were implemented September 1, 2023 for people experiencing homelessness, veterans, and young adults aging out of foster care. **Other exemptions are below:**

- | YES | NO | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Living in one of the 98 exempt counties. <i>NOT EXEMPT: Anderson, Boone, Bullitt, Campbell, Carroll, Fayette, Franklin, Gallatin, Henry, Jefferson, Jessamine, Kenton, Marion, Nelson, Oldham, Owen, Scott, Shelby, Spencer, Trimble, Washington, Woodford</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Under 18 or over age 52 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Part of a household with a child under 18, including adults in the household that are not parents and even if child is ineligible for food stamps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pregnant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Experiencing homelessness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Veteran or participated in the military |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Young adults 18-24, that were in foster care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Physically or Mentally Unfit for Work <ul style="list-style-type: none">• With a written statement from any medical professional |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Already exempt from work registration requirements |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Caring for an incapacitated person in the household <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Verified from certified medical provider |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Regular participant in substance use treatment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Verified by treatment center (Representative must sign the application) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Enrolled at least half time in school, training program or work program <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only applies to college if in work study• Applies to WIOA and TAA training programs• Exemption covers breaks and summers unless not expected to return for next school term |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | SSI application - exempt while case-pending |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Employment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work at least 80 hours per month• Or work at least 20 hours per week• Or earn 30x minimum wage per week regardless of hours• Includes self-employment or volunteer work• Includes work for goods or services (e.g. bartering)• Includes migrant/seasonal farmworkers under contract to begin work within 30 days• If good cause for failure to work 80 hours that month (e.g. illness, transportation problem, family emergency) still considered to be working 80 hours |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Participate 20 hours per week in SNAP Employment and Training Program - either: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WEP (work experience program - unpaid work or workfare) or• VES (vocational education skills training) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Receiving (or have applied for) unemployment benefits |