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**FOOD STAMP ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES: DESK GUIDE (W-204G)**

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<p> This procedure can now be accessed on the FIAweb.</p> <p> Forms can now be accessed through Print on Demand at all Job Centers.</p>	<p>The purpose of this bulletin is to inform staff at Job and Non-Public Assistance Food Stamp Centers that revisions have been made to the Food Stamp Income Eligibility Guidelines: Desk Guide (form <b>W-204G</b>).</p> <p>The <b>W-204G</b> provides revised figures that represent the 130% gross income test on a monthly, biweekly and weekly basis, and includes the revised maximum monthly net income per family size.</p> <p>Staff must utilize the new income guidelines described on the attached form <b>W-204G</b> when assessing Food Stamp eligibility.</p> <p><i>Effective Immediately</i></p> <p><b>Attachment:</b></p> <p><b>W-204G</b>      Food Stamp Income Eligibility Guidelines: Desk Guide (Rev. 02/24/04)</p>

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROCEDURE?  
 Call (718) 557-1313 then press 2 at the prompt followed by 765 or  
 send an e-mail to *FIA Call Center*



## Food Stamp Income Eligibility Guidelines: Desk Guide

(Effective 10/1/2003)

Household income must not exceed these guidelines:

Household Size	130% GROSS INCOME TEST			NET INCOME TEST
	Monthly	Biweekly	Weekly	Monthly
1	\$ 973.00	\$ 449.07	\$ 224.53	\$ 749.00
2	\$ 1,313.00	\$ 606.00	\$ 303.00	\$ 1,010.00
3	\$ 1,654.00	\$ 763.38	\$ 381.69	\$ 1,272.00
4	\$ 1,994.00	\$ 920.31	\$ 460.15	\$ 1,534.00
5	\$ 2,334.00	\$ 1,077.23	\$ 538.61	\$ 1,795.00
6	\$ 2,674.00	\$ 1,234.15	\$ 617.07	\$ 2,057.00
7	\$ 3,014.00	\$ 1,391.08	\$ 695.53	\$ 2,319.00
8	\$ 3,354.00	\$ 1,548.00	\$ 774.00	\$ 2,580.00
Each Additional Member	+ \$ 341.00	+ \$ 157.38	+ \$ 78.69	+ \$ 262.00

- A. Households which contain an elderly (age 60 or older) or disabled member must meet the net income eligibility standards only.
- B. Households in which all members receive, or are authorized to receive, FA, SNA and/or SSI benefits are eligible for Food Stamp (FS) benefits because of their status as FA, SNA and/or SSI recipients. The FS gross and/or net income limits are not applied as eligibility criteria to these households.