

## **FAMILY INDEPENDENCE ADMINISTRATION**

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## **POLICY BULLETIN #06-46-ELI**

(This Policy Bulletin Obsoletes CD #96-141)

## **REAPPLYING FOR FOOD STAMPS**

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March 30, 2006	Food Stamps
☐ This procedure can now be accessed on the FIAweb.	The purpose of this policy bulletin is to remind staff at Job Centers and Non-Public Assistance (NPA) Food Stamp (FS) Offices of the rules regarding restoration of FS benefits when benefits are terminated for failing to recertify.
	Households that file their recertification application after the end of their certification period are considered to have had a break in participation. If found eligible, benefits are prorated for the first month of the new certification period, starting the date the household filed its recertification application.
	For example, a household with a certification period that expired on January 31, 2006, filed its recertification application on February 7, 2006. If the household is found eligible, the benefits are interrupted and prorated from February 7, 2006, for the initial month of the new certification period.
	Households that file their recertification application within 30 days of the end of their certification period will have the application processed using recertification procedures. However, as stated in the example above, if found eligible, the first month's benefits will be prorated back to the date the recertification application was filed.
	Applications filed more than 30 days after the end of a certification period are processed using initial application procedures.
	The information in this policy bulletin obsoletes CD #96-141.
	Effective Immediately

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* 

## References: 01 ADM 8 02 INF 17 03 INF 10 Food Stamp Source Book (FSSB), pages 138-140