Applying For Food Stamp Benefits Only?

If you are only applying for Food Stamp Benefits you can use this shorter application. If you would like to apply for other benefits such as Temporary Assistance, Child Care Assistance, Home Energy Assistance or Medicaid please ask for a different application.

This application can only be used to apply for Food Stamp Benefits.

When You Are Applying For Food Stamps Benefits

• You can file an application the same day you receive it. If you are eligible, benefits will be provided back to the filing date of your application.
• You can file your application before you have an interview.
• We must accept your application if, at a minimum, it contains your name, address (if you have one), and a signature. This information will establish your application filing date. However, the application must be completed and we must interview you for us to determine your eligibility.
• You can apply for and get Food Stamp Benefits for eligible household members even if you or some other members of your household are not eligible for benefits because of immigration status. For example, immigrant parents can apply for Food Stamp Benefits for their children even if they are not themselves eligible for benefits.

Need Food Stamp Benefits Right Away? You May Be Eligible For Expedited Food Stamp Benefits Service

If your household has little or no income or liquid resources, or if your rent and utility expenses are more than your income and liquid resources, or you are a migrant or seasonal farmworker with little or no income or resources when you apply, you may be qualified to receive Food Stamp Benefits within 5 calendar days of the date that you apply for benefits. Your worker will always review your circumstances to see if you are qualified for expedited processing of your Food Stamp Benefits application. A process is in place to ensure that benefits will be issued to all Food Stamp Benefits eligible households who meet the standards for expedited service.

Having Problems Coming To Us For A Food Stamp Benefits Appointment?

If it is difficult for you to come in for a Food Stamp Benefits application appointment (reasons may include employment, health issues, or child care problems), you may have someone else apply for you. You also can mail us your application or drop it off and, in some circumstances; we can interview you by telephone.

Please contact us at ______________ if you need to set up a telephone interview.

Questions?

For any questions you have about completing an application or eligibility for Food Stamp benefits, you may contact us at ______________.

In addition to the Food Stamp Benefits Application, make sure you have been given copies of:

• LDSS-4148A: “What You Should Know About Your Rights and Responsibilities”
• LDSS-4148B: “What You Should Know About Social Services Programs”
• LDSS-4148C: “What You Should Know If You Have an Emergency”
NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

FOOD STAMP BENEFITS APPLICATION / RECERTIFICATION

Application Date
Interview Date
Center/Office
Unit
Worker
Case Type
Case Number
Registry Number
Version
Lifeline
[ ] Apply
[ ] Recertify
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Name: _________________________ Telephone Number: _________________ Other phone where you can be reached: _____________

Residence Address: _____________________________ Apt.# ____ City ___________________, NY Zip Code ________________

Mailing Address (if different) _______________________ Apt.# ____ City ___________________, NY Zip Code ________________

Other Name: __________________ Are You: [ ] Applying or [ ] Recertifying [ ] Do you want to receive notices in: [ ] Spanish and English or [ ] English Only

List everyone who lives with you even if they are not applying. List yourself first.

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<th>Sex M or F</th>
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*Race/Ethnic Codes:

I – Native American or Alaskan Native, A – Asian, B – Black or African American, P – Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, W – White, U – Unknown (MA Only)

Are you and is everyone living with you a US citizen? [ ] Yes [ ] No If No, who is not a citizen?

Are you or is anyone living with you fleeing from a law enforcement agency on felony charges, or in violation of probation or parole according to a court? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Have you or has anyone living with you ever been disqualified from receiving Food Stamp Benefits because of fraud or intentional program violation? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Are you or is anyone in your household applying for or receiving Food Stamp Benefits or Temporary Assistance in another place? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Are you or is anyone living with you blind, disabled or pregnant? [ ] Yes [ ] No If Yes, who ______________

Are you or is anyone living with you a veteran? [ ] Yes [ ] No If Yes, who ______________

Do you or does anyone live in a drug or alcohol treatment center, State-certified group living facility or State-certified supervised/supportive apartment? [ ] Yes [ ] No

If you are recertifying for Food Stamp Benefits, list on the Page 6 what has changed since your last application or recertification (such as moved, had a baby, someone moved in or out).

We must accept your application if, at a minimum, it contains your name, address (if you have one), and signature in this box.

APPLICANT/REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

DATE SIGNED

You may use the page 6 if you need more room or there is other information that you think we might need.
### INCOME

List **ALL** your income and the income of anyone living with you. This includes, but is not limited to wages, income from self-employment (for example: babysitting, cleaning, income from a roofer or boarder) child support, pensions, veterans benefits, disability, social security or SSI, grant for scholarships for rent or food, Public Assistance, and income from friends or relatives.

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<th>Source of Income</th>
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Do you or does anyone living with you have child/dependent care costs related to employment or training? □ Yes □ No  **If Yes, who ___________________________**

Amount paid $ ____________ How often paid (e.g., weekly, monthly) ________________________.

Have you or has anyone living with you changed or quit jobs or reduced any form of income in the last 30 days – including reduced work hours or income? □ Yes □ No

Do you or does anyone living with you have any potential income that has not yet been received? □ Yes □ No **If Yes, explain on Page 6.**

Have you or has anyone in your household set aside any income under “PASS: Plan To Achieve Self Support” approved by the Social Security Administration? □ Yes □ No  **If Yes, who ___________________________**

Do you or does anyone living with you receive a Personal Needs Allowance (PNA) or a Meal Allowance? □ Yes □ No  **If Yes, who ___________________________**

### RESOURCES

How much money does everyone applying have? (For example, on your person; in your home, in checking and savings accounts, or other locations, including jointly held accounts) $ ____________ Belongs to ____________________________

Other financial assets? (For example, stocks, bonds, retirement accounts, savings bonds, mutual funds, IRAs, trust funds, money market certificates) □ Yes □ No  **If Yes, amount $ ____________, Type __________________________, Owner __________________________.**

How many cars, trucks or other vehicles do you or anyone in your household have?

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Do you or anyone applying own any property including your own home? □ Yes □ No  **If yes, list property __________________________, Owner __________________________.**

Has anyone applying sold, given away or transferred cash or property in the last three months to qualify for Food Stamp Benefits? □ Yes □ No

### LIVING ARRANGEMENTS AND EXPENSES

Check all the descriptions that apply to your household:

- Own home or paying for home
- Renting
- Migrant/seasonal farmworker
- No permanent residence
- Live with relatives or friends

List expenses:

Monthly rent or mortgage payment $ ____________ Tax on home per year $ ____________ Insurance on home per year $ ____________.

Pay separately for Heat? □ Yes □ No  **If yes, specify type of heating: Gas Electric Oil Wood Coal Propane Other (list) __________________________.**

Heat Co. Name __________________________ Heat Co. Acct. No. __________________________

You may use the page 6 if you need more room or there is other information that you think we might need. Go to Page 3
LIVING ARRANGEMENTS AND EXPENSES (Cont’d)

Pay for air conditioning, either in your electric bill or as a separate fee? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Pay separately for utilities (other than heating/cooling)? ☐ Yes ☐ No (for example, lights, cooking gas, washer/dryer fee’s, garbage/trash, water, initial installation of utilities).

Does anyone else pay any of these expenses for you (some examples are Section 8 or other subsidy program)?

☐ Yes ☐ No  If yes, who pays what?______________________________________________________________

Do you or does anyone living with you pay court-ordered child support? ☐ Yes ☐ No  If yes, who _____________________________________

Name(s) of child(ren) support is being paid for ______________________________________________________

Payment amount $________________ Frequency of payments (for example, weekly, bi-weekly, monthly) ______________

Are you, and/or anyone living with you, blind/disabled or at least age 60? If so, does such person have medical bills? ☐ Yes ☐ No  If yes, list on the page 6 what they are for, how much and who is responsible for payment.

Are you, and/or anyone living with you, on Medicaid with a spendown? ☐ Yes ☐ No  If yes, who __________________________ Amount $ _____________________

Are you, and/or anyone living with you (16 years old or older) enrolled in school or training? ☐ Yes ☐ No  If yes, who __________________ where _________________

You may use the page 6 if you need more room or there is other information that you think we might need.

READ THE IMPORTANT INFORMATION BELOW

FOOD STAMP BENEFITS (FS) PENALTY WARNING – Any information you provide in connection with your application for FS will be subject to verification by Federal, State and local officials. If any information is incorrect, you may be denied FS. You may be subject to criminal prosecution for knowingly providing incorrect information.

You will never be able to get Food Stamp Benefits (FS) again if you are found guilty in a court of law for the second time of buying or selling controlled substances (illegal drugs or certain drugs for which a doctor’s prescription is required) in exchange for FS; or found guilty in a court of law of selling or getting firearms, ammunition or explosives in exchange for FS; or found guilty in a court of trafficking in FS worth $500 or more. Trafficking includes the illegal use, transfer, acquisition, alteration or possession of FS, authorization cards or access devices; or found guilty of committing a third Intentional Program Violation (IPV).

You will not be able to get FS for two years if you are found guilty in a court of law for the first time of buying or selling controlled substances (illegal drugs or certain drugs for which a doctor’s prescription is required) in exchange for FS.

If you have committed your: ■ First IPV, you will not be able to get FS for one year. ■ Second IPV, you will not be able to get FS for two years.

A court could also bar you from receiving Food Stamp Benefits for an additional 18 months. If you make a false statement about who you are or where you live in order to get multiple FS, you will not be able to get FS for ten years (or permanently if this is the third IPV).

You may be found guilty of an IPV if you make a false or misleading statement, or misrepresent, conceal or withhold facts; or commit any act that constitutes a violation of Federal or State law for the purpose of using, presenting, transferring, acquiring, receiving, possessing or trafficking of coupons, authorization cards or reusable documents used as part of the Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) system.

You could also be fined up to $250,000, sent to jail for up to 20 years, or both.
READ THE IMPORTANT INFORMATION BELOW (cont’d)

CONSENT – I understand that by signing this application form I agree to any investigation made by the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance or my local social services district to verify or confirm the information I have given or any other investigation made by them in connection with my request for Food Stamp Benefits. If additional information is requested, I will provide it. I will also cooperate with State and Federal personnel in a Food Stamp Benefits Quality Control Review.

SUA (STANDARD UTILITY ALLOWANCE) INFORMATION – I understand that Food Stamp Benefits (FS) recipients are categorically income eligible for the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP). If I am not included in the annual automatic HEAP payment process for certain FS recipients, I intend to apply for a benefit within the next 12 months. If I decide not to apply for HEAP within the next 12 months, I will let my worker know.

TELEPHONE ALLOWANCE INFORMATION – I understand that Food Stamp Benefits recipients are eligible for a telephone allowance if they pay to use a home phone, cell phone, phone, phone calling card or coin operated phone. If I do not have any cost to make phone calls, I will let my worker know.

CHANGES – I agree to inform the agency promptly of any change in my needs, income, property, living arrangement or address to the best of my knowledge or belief in accordance with my reporting requirements.

REQUIREMENT TO REPORT/VERIFY HOUSEHOLD EXPENSES – I understand that my household must report child care and utility expenses in order to get a Food Stamp Benefits (FS) deduction for these expenses. I further understand that my household must report and verify rent/mortgage payments, property taxes, insurance, medical expenses and child support paid to a non-household member in order to get a FS deduction for these expenses. I understand that failure to report/verify the above expenses will be seen as a statement by my household that I/we do not want to receive a deduction for those unreported/unverified expenses. A deduction for these expenses may make me eligible for FS or may increase my FS. I understand that I may report/verify these expenses at any time in the future. This deduction would then be applied to the calculation of FS in future months in accordance with the rules for change reporting and processing changes.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT – COLLECTION AND USE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (SSN) – The collection of SSN’s is authorized for each household member with respect to Food Stamp Benefits pursuant to the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (as amended, 7 US Code 2011-2036). The information we collect will be used to determine whether your household is eligible or continues to be eligible for benefits. We will verify this information through computer matching programs. This information will also be used to monitor compliance with program regulations and for program management. The information will be used to check identity, to verify earned and unearned income, and to determine if applicants or recipients can receive money or other help. The information may be disclosed to State and Federal agencies for official examination and to law enforcement officials for the purpose of apprehending persons fleeing to avoid the law.

If you do not have an SSN and need to get one, the information you give to the social services district may be used to get one for you.

CITIZENSHIP/IMMIGRATION STATUS – I swear and/or affirm under penalty of perjury that the information I have provided about the citizenship and immigration status of my self and everyone living with me is true and correct. I understand that any information I provide to verify the immigration status of anyone applying for Food Stamp Benefits may be checked for authenticity with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.
READ THE IMPORTANT INFORMATION BELOW AND SIGN AT THE BOTTOM (cont’d)

NON-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE – In accordance with Federal Law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, political belief, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE – You can authorize someone who knows your household circumstances to apply for Food Stamp Benefits (FS) for you. You can also authorize someone outside your household to get FS for you and to use them to buy food for you. If you would like to authorize someone, print the person’s name, address and phone number below.

When an Authorized Representative is applying on behalf of a Food Stamp Benefits Household that does not reside in an institution, both the Authorized Representative and the Food Stamp Benefits Head of Household must sign and date the signature sections at the bottom of this page.

LIFELINE: For applicants/recipient of Food Stamp Benefits: The Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance may or may not release your name and address to your telephone service provider. Your telephone service provider may or may not use this information to enroll you in their Lifeline Service for a discounted telephone rate.

If you do not want this information released, check this box □

You may contact your telephone service provider directly for enrollment in the discounted rate Lifeline Service. Medicaid-only applicants/recipient must contact their telephone service provider directly for enrollment in the discounted rate Lifeline Service.

CERTIFICATION: I swear and/or affirm under the penalties of perjury that the information I have given or will give to the local Social Services district is correct.

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IF APPLYING FOR SOMEONE ELSE AS AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, PRINT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS HERE. YOU MAY ALSO VOLUNTARILY PRINT YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER.

Name ________________________ Address ____________________________________________________ Phone _______________

IF YOU HELPED COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION / RECERTIFICATION FOR SOMEONE ELSE, PRINT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS HERE. YOU MAY ALSO VOLUNTARILY PRINT YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER.

Name ________________________ Address ____________________________________________________ Phone _______________
Use this area for additional information:

Who: ___________________________ Explanation: ___________________________

Who: ___________________________ Explanation: ___________________________

Who: ___________________________ Explanation: ___________________________

I CONSENT TO WITHDRAW MY APPLICATION/RECERTIFICATION. I understand that I may reapply at any time.

SIGNATURE _______________ DATE _______________

For Agency Use Only

Eligibility Determined by ___________________________ Date _______________

Signature of Person Who Obtained Eligibility Information: ___________________________ Date _______________

Employed by: □ Social Services District □ Provider Agency

(Specify) ______________________________________________________________________________________

Reason _____/_____/______ □ Withdrawal □ Denial □ Recert. Closing

Eligibility Approved by ___________________________ Date _______________

FS Authorization Period: From ______________________ To ______________________

Comments:
**NYS Agency-Based Voter Registration Form**

**Qualifications for Registration**

You Can Use This Form To:
- register to vote in New York State
- change your name and/or address, if there is a change since you last voted
- enroll in a political party or change your enrollment

To Register You Must:
- be a U.S. citizen
- be 18 years old by December 31 of the year in which you file this form (note: you must be 18 years old by the date of the general, primary, or other election in which you want to vote.)
- be a resident of the County, or of the City of New York at least 30 days before an election.
- not be in jail or parole for a felony conviction
- not claim the right to vote elsewhere

**VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION**

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Yes, I need an application for an Absentee Ballot Please print or type in blue or black ink □ Yes, I would like to be an Election Day worker

Please do not write in this space
TO COMPLETE THIS FORM:

**Box 1:** Must be completed. If you answer NO, do not complete this form.

**Box 2:** Must be completed, however if you check NO, do not complete this form UNLESS you are a New York resident who will be 18 by the end of this year.

**Box 4:** Give your home address.

**Box 5:** Give your mailing address if it is different from your home address (post office box no., star route or rural route no., etc.)

**Box 8:** The completion of this box is optional.

**Box 9:** Must be completed. If you have a current New York driver’s license, you must provide that number. If you do not have a current New York driver’s license, you must provide the last four digits of your social security number.

**Box 10:** If you have never voted before, write “None.” If you can’t remember when you last voted, put a question mark (?). If you voted before under a different name, put down that name. If not, write “Same.”

**Box 11:** In order to vote in a party primary, you must be enrolled in one of New York’s 5 constituted parties. Check one box only.

**Box 12:** This application must be signed and dated in ink.