

Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services	Internal Procedure Policy
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	Section: All Institutions
Child and Adult Care Food Program	Subject: Montana Grown Foods
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### **MONTANA GROWN FOODS In CACFP**

1. The Montana CACFP encourages the use of Montana grown produce and food products in CACFP meals.
2. Montana grown foods include grains, meats, beans, eggs, fruits, vegetables, and milk.
3. Fruits, and vegetables and grain products obtained from a local farm, a farmer's market, or a co-op may be used in the CACFP. All meat and poultry products must be from a licensed and approved meat locker, processor or butcher and must be USDA-inspected. Milk and milk products must be from a licensed and USDA-inspected dairy and milk processor.
4. Use of food grown in gardens on-site at the day care facility is encouraged. Use of food grown in local gardens is also encouraged.
5. Food and food products for use in the CACFP must be grown and manufactured according to federal and state agricultural and food manufacturing regulations and must be from a licensed and approved source.
6. Food from farmer's markets that is cut or cooked is not allowed as food for use in the CACFP because of food safety concerns. Contact local food and agriculture authorities for information.
7. Home-canned food is not permitted because of food safety concerns.
8. Wild game is allowed as described in the Service of Traditional Foods in Public Facilities memorandum, Section 4033 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Farm Bill) allows for the use of donated traditional foods, including wild game, at public and nonprofit facilities that primarily serve Indians. As allowed by this provision, wild game may be donated and served in CNPs.

**References:** DPHHS Policy 5/14/10 Draft 2; 7 CFR 226.6(b)(1); 7 CFR 226.20(1) & FNS USDA Memo CACFP 07-2006; 7 CFR 226.6(i)(3)] (SP 42-2015, CACFP 19-2015, SFSP 21-2015), Section 4033 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Farm Bill)

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