

SNAP 404-1 RESOURCES Transfer of Resources Disqualification

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Reference: 7 CFR 273.8

Overview: Non-categorically eligible (CE) and non-expanded categorically eligible (ECE) households knowingly transferring resources for the purpose of qualifying or attempting to qualify for SNAP benefits are disqualified from receiving benefits.

WHEN TO APPLY A DISQUALIFICATION PERIOD:

A disqualification period is applied if the resource was transferred:

- 1. In the three month period prior to application;
- 2. During the application process; or,
- 3. Any time during the certification period to prevent the household from exceeding the maximum resource limit.

DISQUALIFICATION PERIOD IS NOT APPLIED:

A disqualification period is not applied if:

- 1. Resources transferred would not otherwise affect eligibility;
- 2. Resources were sold or traded at or near current market value;
 - NOTE: Near market value is defined as not less than 80% of the current market value.
- 3. Transfers were made for a reason other than attempting to qualify for SNAP benefits (e.g., a parent placing funds in an inaccessible trust fund for a child's education); or,
- 4. Transfers were made between members of the same SNAP household including members that have been disqualified for any reason.
 - Transfers made to a household members listed as "out of the household" (e.g., ineligible student) requires the transfer to be assessed.

DISQUALIFICATION PERIOD:

The resource amount(s) transferred are added to all other countable resources at the time of the transfer. The disqualification period is based on the total amount of resources that exceed the resource limit. The maximum disqualification period is one year from the discovery date.

Use the following chart to determine the period of disqualification:

Amount in Excess of Resource Limit	Period of Disqualification
\$0 to \$249.99	1 month
\$250 to \$999.99	3 months
\$1,000 to \$2,999.99	6 months
\$3,000 to \$4,999.99	9 months
\$5,000 or more	12 months

The disqualification period begins:

- 1. **New applications** the month of application.
- 2. **Ongoing households** the month after the notice of adverse action expires unless the household requests a fair hearing and continuation of benefits.

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