

PROCEDURES FOR DETERMINING ASSISTANCE GROUP ELIGIBILITY DURING AN INTENTIONAL PROGRAM VIOLATION

Food Assistance rule 5101:4-6-13

Step	Food Assistance
1.	<p>Screen all applicants and new household members for an Intentional Program Violation (IPV) immediately upon receipt of application via the electronic disqualified recipient system (eDRS), which is CRIS-E screen DEDRS.</p> <p>The disqualification of an individual for an IPV in one county or state is valid in another county or state. If there is an eDRS match, the originating state must be contacted and allowed twenty days to provide verification of the disqualification. This screening requirement does not change the process for expedited benefits in accordance with rule 5101:4-6-09.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• See Family Assistance Letter #121
2.	<p>If an individual is determined to have committed an IPV in accordance with rule 5101:4-8-15, that individual is disqualified from the food assistance program for twelve months at the first offense, twenty-four months at the second offense, and permanently at the third offense in accordance with rule 5101:4-8-17. The IPV disqualification is processed in CRIS-E by designated county agency staff.</p>
3.	<p>The food assistance disqualification applies only to the individual. Benefits for remaining assistance group members shall be determined as set forth in rule 5101:4-6-13.</p>
4.	<p>The IPV disqualified individual shall not be included when determining the assistance group size for the purposes of assigning a benefit level to the assistance group, comparing the assistance group's monthly income with the income eligibility standards, or applying the standard deduction.</p>

5.	The income and resources of the IPV disqualified individual shall count in their entirety. The entire allowable deductions for earned income, medical, dependent care, legally obligated child support, and excess shelter shall continue to apply to the remaining assistance group members.
6.	The assistance group's allotment shall not be increased as a result of the exclusion of a member who has committed an IPV.
7.	Under no circumstances shall an assistance group be considered categorically eligible if any member of the assistance group is disqualified for an IPV in accordance with rule 5101:4-2-02. These assistance groups are subject to the net income test as defined in rule 5101:4-4-11 and the resource limits defined in rule 5101:4-4-01.
8.	Once the disqualification period is served, the IPV individual may receive food assistance benefits again if all other eligibility requirements are met, even if there is still a balance on the IPV overpayment claim.