

**NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA
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TO: County Social Service Directors
Economic Assistance Policy Regional Representatives
Economic Assistance Policy Quality Control Reviewers

FROM: Carol Cartledge, Director, Economic Assistance

SUBJECT: Asset Limit

PROGRAMS: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

EFFECTIVE: October 1, 2017

**SECTIONS
AFFECTED: Asset Limits 430-05-45-25**

The asset limit for the SNAP program has increased for households with at least one member who is age 60 or older or is disabled. The TECS system was updated as part of the annual changes that were effective October 1, 2017. The policy section was not updated as part of the manual letter.

Asset Limits 430-05-45-25

Eligibility will be denied or terminated if the value of non-excluded assets exceeds the following:

1. ~~\$3,250~~ \$3,500 for all households containing an elderly (age 60 or over) or disabled member.
2. \$2,250 for all other households.

Categorically eligible **and** TANF I & R household members **do not** have to meet the asset limits.

Non-categorically eligible household members **must** meet the asset limits.

The household's assets **at the time of the interview** must be used in determining household eligibility. An application cannot be pended allowing the household the option of spending down assets. If a household is over the asset limit on the date of interview, the application must be denied.

If you have any questions, please contact your regional representative.