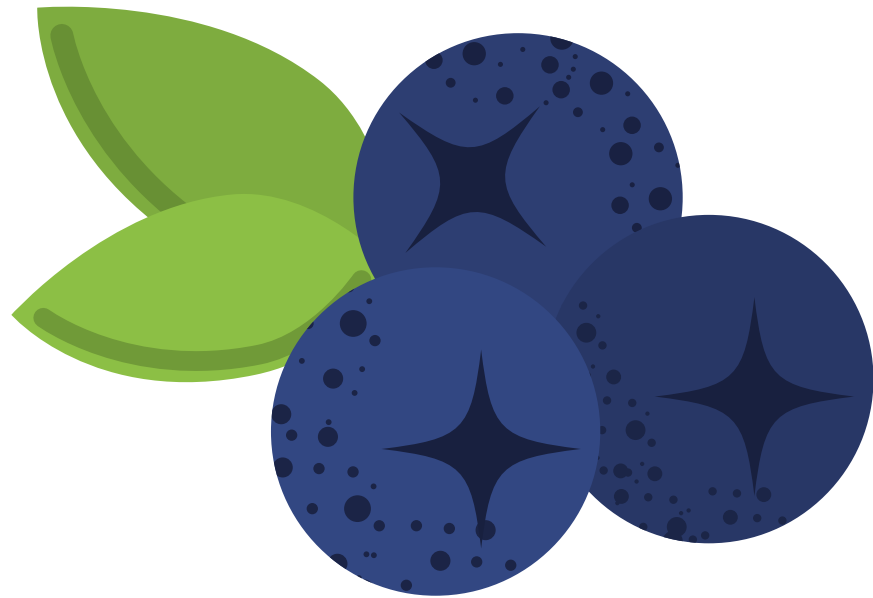


Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Eligibility & Application Process



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How to Apply



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How to Apply

Online

Applicants can submit an online application through the Oregon ONE Eligibility website

<https://one.Oregon.gov/>

The screenshot shows the Oregon ONE Eligibility website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo "Oregoneligibility" and links for "ABOUT MEDICAL COVERAGE" and "ABOUT FOOD, CASH OR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE". A user greeting "WELCOME, GUEST | SIGN IN" and a language selector "ENGLISH" are also present. Below the navigation bar is a hero section with a background image of a man working on a laptop. The text in the hero section reads: "DO YOU NEED MEDICAL, FOOD, CASH, OR CHILDCARE BENEFITS? MEDICAL BENEFITS MAY INCLUDE LONG TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS (IN-HOME OR FACILITY CARE) AND HELP WITH PAYING MEDICARE PREMIUMS. You can apply for benefits any time! Click here to apply." Below the hero section is a yellow banner with a system maintenance notice: "The ONE system will be down Wednesday nights from 7:30 p.m. PST to Thursday mornings at 12:30 a.m. PST for routine system maintenance." The main content area features three columns, each with a green circular icon and a title: "Apply for Benefits" (with a document icon), "Manage Account" (with a person icon), and "Authorized Representative" (with a person icon). Each column contains a brief description of the service and a "Sign In" or "Create Account" button. The "Apply for Benefits" column includes a link to sign in if the user already has an account.

How to Apply

Using a paper application at a Store Front Office

Find a local office by visiting:

<https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/offices/pages/self-sufficiency.aspx>

Agency use only:	Branch:	Case number:	Worker ID:	Case name:	Date of request:	Filing date:
	Expedited service? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Appointment date/time:	Receptionist ID:	MA notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

Please ask if you need help filling out this form.

Language I speak: _____
Let us know if you need:
 An interpreter A sign language interpreter
 Written materials translated (*what language*): _____
Materials in: Braille Large print Audio tape Computer disk Oral presentation

Tell us about you

Full name *(last, first, middle initial)* _____ Maiden *(or other names used)* _____
Social Security number _____ Phone number _____ Message number _____
Home address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP code _____
Mailing address *(if different)* _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP code _____
Email: _____

- I am applying for: Child care Domestic violence help Food
 Cash for families Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA)
- Do you plan to stay in Oregon? Yes No
- Has anyone you are applying for received services from another state within the last 30 days?
 Yes No **If yes, where?** _____ **Date last received:** _____
- Do you want to give permission to someone else to apply or get benefits for you? Yes No
- Do you usually buy food and eat with everyone you live with? Yes No
If no, who buys their food separately? _____

Establishing a Filing Date

- A filing date allows the applicant to notify ODHS they are intending to apply for SNAP.
- To establish a filing date, the applicant only needs to submit their name, valid address, and signature which can be submitted on an ODHS form or any other piece of paper.



Completing the Application

After establishing the filing date, the applicant must complete an application by submitting an:

- Online application
- Completed paper application
- Completing the application over the phone with an eligibility worker



SNAP Interviews

Interviews are required for SNAP to review the participants eligibility.

Once the interview is completed, if eligible, benefits are issued via an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card.

Regular SNAP benefits are issued at the beginning of the month.

SNAP Eligibility

When a person applies for SNAP the worker will review the application. Some items they will look at for eligibility include:

- Who is living together and must apply together
- Citizenship, Residency and Identity
- Income
- Deductions (rent, utilities, medical expenses)
- Able Bodied Adults without Dependents
- Students of Higher Education



SNAP

For SNAP, certain items are required to be verified:

- Identity
- Citizenship
- Social Security Number
- Income
- Medical Expenses (if eligible for a medical deduction)
- Any other information that is incomplete or inaccurate.



Non-Citizenship Eligibility

Immigration Status	SNAP
Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR) over 18	Eligible (after 5-year bar or qualifying work history)
LPR – under 18	Eligible
Refugees, asylees, victims of trafficking	Eligible
Those without documentation and DACA recipients	Not eligible

Non-Citizenship Eligibility



Participating in SNAP does not affect a person's immigration status and/or ability to become a United States citizen or lawful permanent resident.

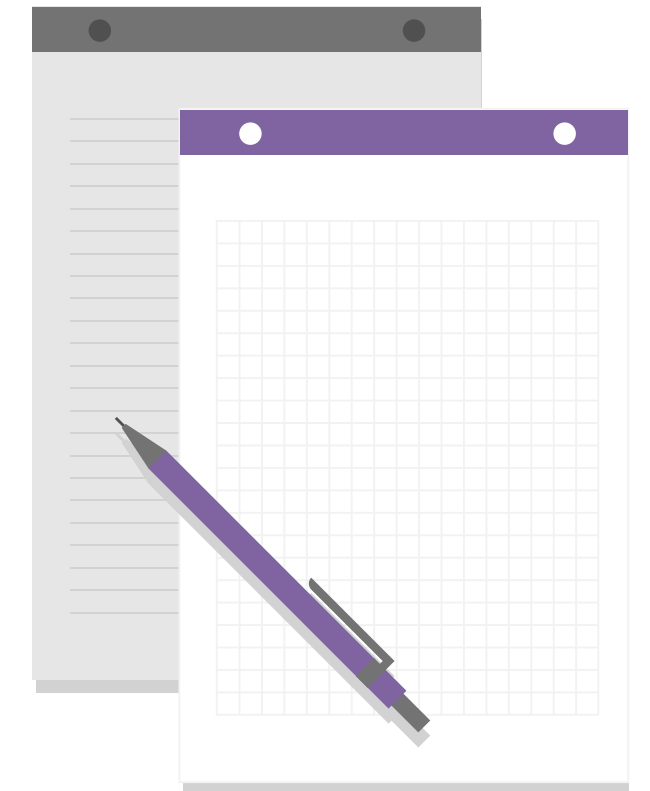
Applying for or receiving SNAP benefits does not make the participant a public charge and will not be considered in a public charge determination.

ABAWD

Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWD)

- Is at least 18 but not yet 52 years old
- Does not have a child under 18 years old receiving SNAP with them

If ABAWD, must meet work requirements or have an exemption to be able to receive SNAP for more than 3 months in a 3-year period -



ABAWD

Meeting the Work Requirement:

- Working a paid job equal to 30 hours per week x fed minimum wage (\$7.25/hr) = \$935.25 per month
- Self employed with cost earning over \$1,870.50 per month
- Self employed without cost earning over \$935.25 per month

ABAWD Exemptions

Exemptions:

- **Unable to work due to mental, behavioral or physical health issues**
- **Enrolled at least half -time in high school, college, adult basic education or a work training program**
- **Refugee engaged in a training plan**
- **Participating in Alcohol or Drug Treatment program**
- **Responsible for caring for a person who requires assistance caring for themselves**
- **Pregnant**

Students of Higher Ed

Students aged 18-49 enrolled in higher education (community college, university) must meet additional criteria to be eligible for SNAP.

Students attending higher education more than part time need to meet one of the following to be eligible for SNAP:

- Be working more than 20 hours per week
- Participating in federally or state funded work study
- Receiving TANF
- Receiving Unemployment Compensation
- Be in school because of employer-sponsored training
- Participating in an Employment Dept. Training Program
- Be enrolled in a program or course of study that would lead to employment.



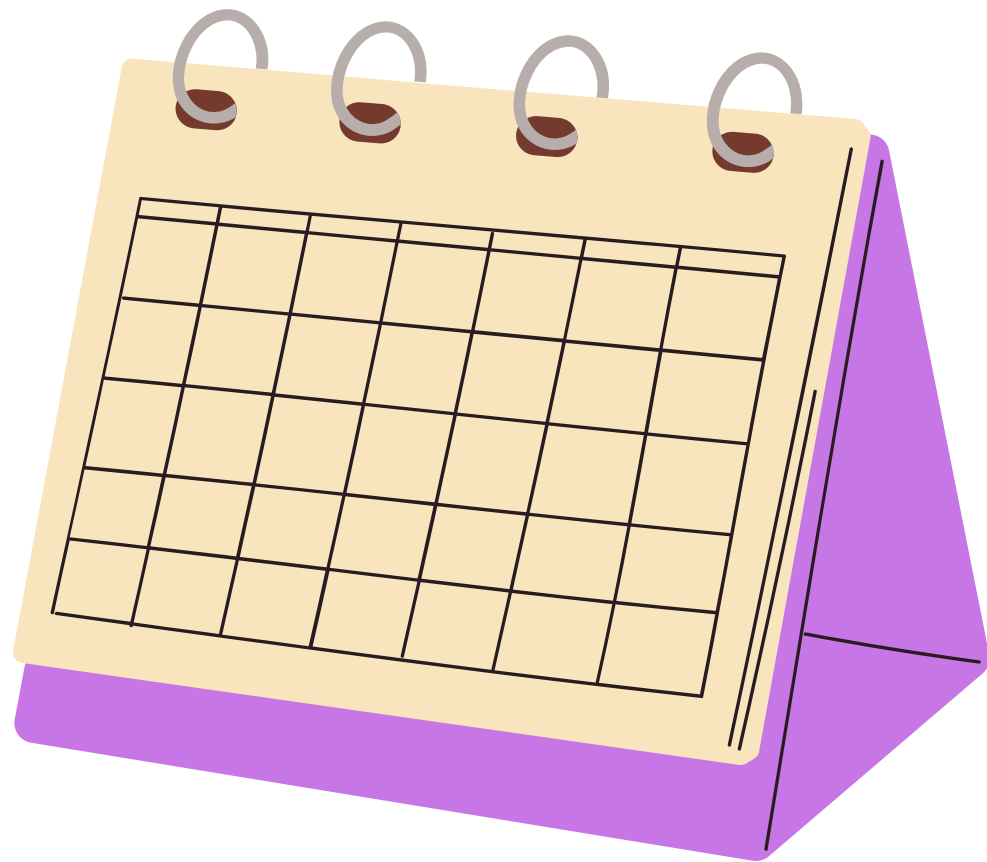
Students of Higher Ed

Students also may be able to get SNAP if they are taking care of a dependent household member:

- Under the age of 6
- Age 6 through 11 and do not have adequate child care to enable them to work a minimum of 20 hours per week or take part in a state or federally-financed work study program while attending school.



SNAP Certification



- Duration of the Certification Period
- Renewals

Certification

SNAP cases are typically certified for **12 months** with a Periodic Report due at month 6.

Households where all members are elderly and have no earned income are certified for **24 months** with a Periodic Report due at month 12.




Recertification

Near the end of the certification period, SNAP recipients will receive notices from the ODHS notifying them that their certification period is ending and will need to reapply.

They may also receive a notice via Applicant Portal in the ONE system.



SNAP Pre-Screening Tool

 **SNAP Benefit Estimator**

This ESTIMATE is based solely on income and a few expenses. Your actual benefits may be different. Only a caseworker can decide if you are eligible and the exact SNAP benefit amount.

To see if you may be eligible for benefits, enter information below.

* = Field is required.

Household Information

Number of people who buy and prepare food together: Count children under age 22.*

At least one person is age 60 or older: Yes No *

At least one person is getting Social Security Disability: Yes No *

At least one person is getting SSI: Yes No *

At least one person is getting TANF: Yes No *

Income Information

Total amount of monthly income, before taxes. Do not use "\$" or "," in the number.

Income from jobs: Do not include self-employment income.*

Self-Employment: Income from your own business. (Before costs)*

SNAP Pre-Screening Online Tool: <https://snapestimate.dhsoha.state.or.us/>

EBT & Benefits



EBT Cards

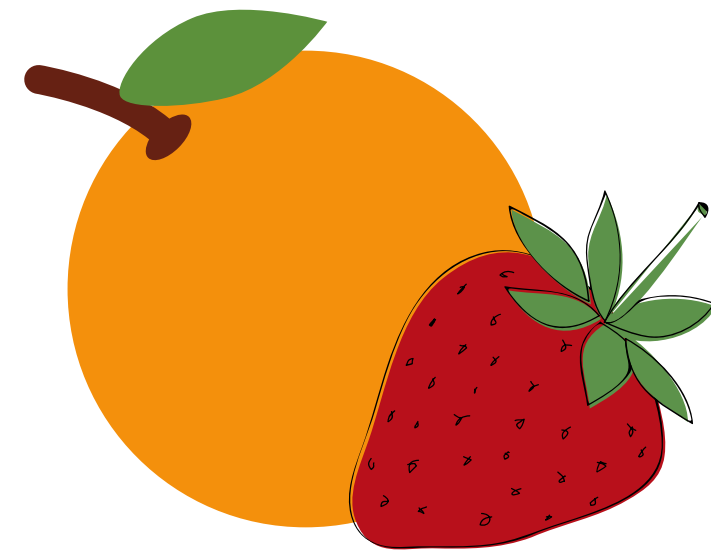
What can SNAP buy?

EBT Card

Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards are used to provide SNAP benefits.

EBT cards can be used like a debit card at:

- Any grocery location which accepts EBT
- Online for grocery purchases
- Farmers Markets
 - Double Up Food Bucks matches each dollar spent at a Farmers Market up to \$20 each visit.



Obtaining an EBT Card

EBT cards can be received in storefront offices at the time of applying or anytime during the certification.



Applicants may also call The EBT Help Line (888) 997-447 to obtain a card in the mail.

More information about the EBT Card can be found
here:

<https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/assistance/food-benefits/pages/oregon-trail-card.aspx>



What Can SNAP Buy?

Allowable Items 	Non-Allowable Items 
Fruits and Vegetables	Beer, Wine, Liquor, Cigarettes or Tobacco
Meat, Poultry and Fish	Vitamins, Medicines, and Supplements
Dairy Products	Live Animals
Other foods such as snack foods and non-alcoholic beverages	Any non-food items such as pet foods, cleaning supplies, paper products, household items or hygiene items
Seeds and plants which produce food for the household to eat	

Questions?



Contact SNAP Outreach

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