

**WAC 388-444-0065 Am I eligible for basic food if I quit my job or reduce my work effort?** (1) You are not eligible for basic food if you voluntarily quit your current job without good cause as defined in WAC 388-444-0070, and:

(a) You were working or self-employed for thirty hours or more per week or you had weekly earnings at least equal to the federal minimum wage multiplied by thirty hours;

(b) The day you quit or the last day you worked was within thirty days before you applied for basic food or any time after application; and

(c) At the time you quit or the last day you worked, you would have been required to register for work as defined in WAC 388-444-0005.

(2) You are not eligible for basic food if you voluntarily reduce your work effort without good cause as defined in WAC 388-444-0070, and:

(a) You were working or self-employed for thirty hours or more per week or you had weekly earnings at least equal to the federal minimum wage multiplied by thirty hours;

(b) You reduced your work effort within thirty days before you applied for basic food or any time after application;

(c) After the reduction, you are working less than thirty hours per week or your weekly earnings are not at least equal to the federal minimum wage multiplied by thirty hours; and

(d) At the time of the reduction you would have been required to register for work as defined in WAC 388-444-0005.

(3) You are not eligible to receive basic food if you have participated in a strike against a federal, state, or local government and have lost your employment because of such participation within thirty days of application.

(4) The following are not considered voluntary quits:

(a) Ending a self-employment enterprise; or

(b) Resigning at the request of the employer.

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