

WAC 388-450-0140 How does the income of an ineligible assistance unit member affect my eligibility and benefits for basic food? The department decides who must be in your assistance unit (AU) under WAC 388-408-0035. If an AU member is ineligible for basic food under WAC 388-408-0035, this affects your AU's eligibility and benefits as follows:

(1) We do not count the ineligible member(s) to determine your AU size for the gross monthly income limit, net monthly income limit, or maximum allotment under WAC 388-478-0060.

(2) If an AU member is ineligible because they are disqualified for an intentional program violation (IPV), failed to meet work requirements under chapter 388-444 WAC, is an ineligible fleeing felon under WAC 388-442-0010, or is disqualified from transitional food assistance (TFA) due to a WorkFirst sanction:

(a) We count all of the ineligible member's gross income as a part of your AU's income; and

(b) We count all of the ineligible member's allowable expenses as part of your AU's expenses.

(3) If an AU member is an ineligible able-bodied adult without dependents (ABAWD) under WAC 388-444-0030, is ineligible due to their alien status, failed to sign the application to state their citizenship or alien status, or refused to get or provide us a Social Security number:

(a) We prorate the income of the ineligible member among all the AU members by excluding the ineligible member's share and counting the remainder to the eligible members;

(b) We allow the 20% earned income disregard for the ineligible member's earned income;

(c) We divide the ineligible member's allowable expenses evenly among all members of the AU when the ineligible member has income;

(d) We allow the full amount of the utility allowance the AU is eligible for under WAC 388-450-0195.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, 74.04.680, 74.08.090, 74.08A.010, and 2022 c 98. WSR 23-23-134, § 388-450-0140, filed 11/17/23, effective 1/1/24. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, 74.08.090, and 7 C.F.R. § 273.9. WSR 18-03-021, § 388-450-0140, filed 1/8/18, effective 2/8/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, 74.08.090, and 7 U.S.C. 2014 (e)(7); 7 C.F.R. § 273.9 (d)(6). WSR 10-15-044, § 388-450-0140, filed 7/13/10, effective 8/1/10. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, and 2004 c 54. WSR 04-14-040, § 388-450-0140, filed 6/29/04, effective 7/30/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.057, 74.04.500, 74.04.510. WSR 02-06-089, § 388-450-0140, filed 3/1/02, effective 3/26/02; WSR 01-21-060, § 388-450-0140, filed 10/16/01, effective 12/1/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090 and 74.04.510. WSR 99-16-024, § 388-450-0140, filed 7/26/99, effective 9/1/99. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057 and 74.08.090. WSR 98-16-044, § 388-450-0140, filed 7/31/98, effective 9/1/98.]