

WAC 388-61A-1125 What are the requirements for providing food to clients residing in emergency shelter? (1) Your domestic violence program must provide food and beverages for the basic sustenance of clients residing in emergency shelter, unless other resources are immediately available.

(2) You must store food and beverages, including infant formula, at the emergency shelter to provide to clients residing in shelter when other resources are not immediately available, and for emergency shelter residents who are unable to safely access other food resources.

(3) Milk and infant formula must be available at all times for children residing in the emergency shelter.

(4) You must purchase and provide only food and beverages that are of safe quality to clients residing in emergency shelter. Storage, preparation, and serving techniques must ensure that nutrients are retained and spoilage is prevented.

(5) Food and beverages prepared for clients residing in emergency shelter must be prepared, served, and stored safely and in a sanitary manner.

(6) Food must be available to prepare school lunches, if lunch is not otherwise available to the children of emergency shelter residents.

(7) Clients residing in emergency shelter must be provided, or have immediate access to, food that is in accordance with their religious or cultural beliefs and personal practices.

(8) When staff prepare and serve food to clients in communal emergency shelters, the food must be prepared in compliance with chapter 246-215 WAC, Food service.

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