

## WSR 24-11-011

## PERMANENT RULES

## DEPARTMENT OF

## SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

(Economic Services Administration)

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Effective Date of Rule: Thirty-one days after filing.

Purpose: The department of social and health services is amending WAC 388-437-0001 Disaster food stamp program. These housekeeping amendments correct the name of the program from "food stamp" to "supplemental nutritional assistance" without changing the effect of the rule.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 388-437-0001.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, and 74.08.090.

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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

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Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

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## Chapter 388-437 WAC

**EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE ((~~FOR FOOD STAMPS~~))**

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 05-23-028, filed 11/8/05, effective 12/9/05)

**WAC 388-437-0001 Disaster ((~~food stamp~~)) supplemental nutrition assistance program.** (1) In the event of a disaster, the department works with the United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition ((~~Services~~)) Service (FNS) to change some requirements for the Washington Basic Food program and help ensure that people in a disaster area have access to food. This is known as the disaster ((~~food stamp~~)) supplemental nutrition assistance program.

(2) If the President of the United States has declared a portion of the state as a federal disaster area, we ask FNS to allow use of the disaster (~~food stamp~~) supplemental nutrition assistance program for the areas impacted by the disaster. Both of the following conditions must be met:

(a) People's normal access to buy food has been disrupted; and

(b) These commercial channels have since been restored with reasonable access and sufficient food supplies as determined by FNS.

(3) The department will implement any disaster (~~food stamp~~) supplemental nutrition assistance program as approved by FNS.