Documents Needed to Apply for SNAP Benefits

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- **Proof of Identity**  Driver’s license, passport, Social Security card or birth certificate
- **Social Security Number (SSN)** Required for all members in your household that are applying for food stamps
- **Proof of Massachusetts Residency** Driver’s license, utility bill or tax forms

ONLY IF APPLICABLE:

- **Earned Income** Pay stubs showing your earnings before taxes from the last four weeks or a letter from your employer
- **Other Income** Proof of Social Security payments, unemployment, pension, Workers’ Compensation, and/or child support
- **Self-employment Income** Most recent tax forms or business records for the last three months
- **Rental Income** If you get paid by someone who rents a room or apartment from you, a copy of the lease agreements or statement from your tenant showing the amount of rent paid
- **Non-citizen Status** Only if you are not a U.S. citizen (green card or immigration papers)
- **Assets** Asset information may be required for certain elderly/disabled households

VERIFICATIONS THAT WILL HELP YOU GET MORE BENEFITS:

The more information you provide, the more SNAP benefits you are likely to receive.

- **Rent Housing Costs** Submit your current lease, or rent receipt or a letter from your landlord
- **Homeowner Housing Costs** Submit a mortgage statement, proof of property taxes, and home owners insurance
- **Utilities** Heat/air conditioning, electric, gas, and/or telephone bills
- **Medical Expenses** (only if you or someone in your household is over 60 years old and/or disabled and receiving a disability-based benefits) Payments for health insurance, co-payment receipts, transportation costs to doctor appointments or pharmacy, medication (over the counter and prescription)
- **Child Support Payments** Proof of court-ordered payment
- **Child or Adult Care Expenses** Program fees and transportation costs

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