

STATE OF ALABAMA
THE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TEFAP)
CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY
7 CFR 251 **(Current for July 1 2023-June 30 2024)**

Name _____

Last

First

Middle

Address _____

City

State

Zip

Phone Number _____

TOTAL Number in Household: _____ **Number of Adults NOT including Seniors or Veterans** _____

Number 18 & Under _____ **Number 60 & Over** _____ **Number of Veterans** _____

You are eligible to receive food from TEFAP if your household income falls below the poverty income guidelines (see reference chart) or if you participate in any of the following programs. Please place a checkmark in the space next to the category that applies.

1. I am receiving Supplemental Food Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps).
 2. I am receiving Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF, formerly AFDC).
 3. I am receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
 4. Self-declared income at or below 130% of the poverty level (*agency can provide chart if needed*).
 5. Special Circumstances (Example: fire, flood, illness, injury, etc.) Explain _____

Please read the following statement carefully and then sign the form and write in today's date. **You only need to meet one of these requirements to be eligible to receive USDA foods.**

*I certify that my yearly household gross income is at or below the income listed on the reference chart for households with the same number of people **OR** that I participate in the program(s) that I have checked on this form. I also certify that as of today, I reside in the State of Alabama. This certification is being submitted in connection with the receipt of Federal assistance. Program officials may verify what I have certified to be true. I understand that making a false certification may result in having to pay the State agency for the value of the food improperly issued to me and may subject me to civil or criminal prosecution under State and Federal law.*

Signature

Date

PROXY OPTION:

If client is physically unable to pick up food distribution themselves, they may assign a proxy to pick up for them. Proxy AND client must both provide signatures below and provide agency with Photo ID.

Client Signature: _____ **Date of Proxy Request:** _____

Proxy Name (Print): _____ **Proxy Signature:** _____

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To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: [USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form](#), from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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