

October 6, 1955

Dear Commissioner Tramburg:

Thank you for sending me the revised
regulation covering general assistance allowances in
the Division of Welfare.

Sincerely,

Raymond F. Male
Executive Assistant

Commissioner John W. Tramburg
Department of Institutions & Agencies
Trenton 7, New Jersey

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cc: David Thompson, Esq.



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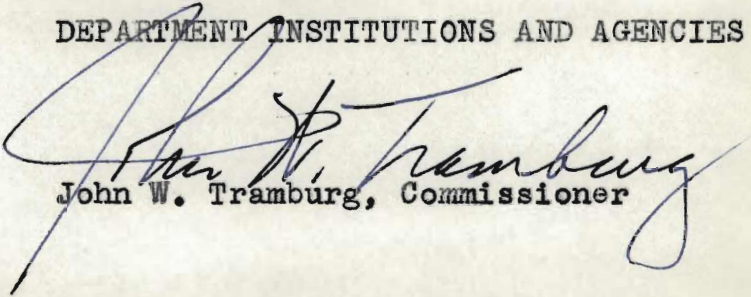
Mr. Raymond Male
Assistant to the Governor
State House
Trenton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Male:

With reference to the rules and regulations of the Division of Welfare of this Department I am enclosing herewith a revised regulation covering general assistance allowances.

Very truly yours,

DEPARTMENT INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES


John W. Tramburg, Commissioner

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State of New Jersey
Department of Institutions and Agencies
Division of Welfare

BUREAU OF ASSISTANCE

Municipal Aid
REGULATION # 2.300A

ISSUED: _____
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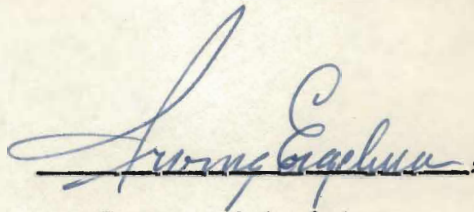
REV.: 10/17/55
(Date)

TITLE: ADMINISTRATION

SUBJECT: General Assistance Allowances

STATUTORY REFERENCE: 44:8-111

Attached are revised pages 3, 8, 8a, 9, and new page 9a to replace existing pages 3, 8, 8a, and 9.

 Chief

Bureau of Assistance

Date: September 30, 1955

Approved:

By: _____

Aid to Blind - Parent, spouse and child.

Disability Assistance - Parent, spouse and child.

General Assistance - Grandparent, parent, spouse, child and grandchild.

Method for Determination of Capacity to Support

Whenever there are legally responsible relatives living outside the assistance household, their financial ability to contribute to the support of the recipient must be determined. In order to make such determination, select in the following Income Exemption Schedule the appropriate "Family Unit Size" for the relative; note the "Exemption" figure opposite; to this figure add the cost of any authorized "Extraordinary Expenses" of the relative as given below Schedule. If the relative's verified gross income is in excess of the figure so arrived at, the amount of the excess represents the ability of the relative to contribute to the support of the recipient.

Income Exemption Schedule

<u>Family Unit Size</u>	<u>Annual Exemption</u>	<u>Monthly Exemption</u>
1	\$24.00	\$2.00
2	34.20	2.85
3	40.20	3.35
4	46.20	3.85
5	52.80	4.40
6	58.80	4.90
7	64.20	5.35
8	69.00	5.75

For each additional person in the family unit over 8, add \$4.20. to the Annual Exemption or \$35. to the Monthly Exemption.

Extraordinary Expenses of the Legally Responsible Relatives.

The following types of extraordinary expenses shall be considered, in the manner specified, as affecting the legally responsible relative's capacity to support the recipient.

1. Extraordinary Occupational Expenses

a. Unusual Traveling Expenses Incident to Employment.

When a person spends more than 7% of his monthly basic exemption for traveling incident to his employment, and when such expenses are not reimbursed by his employer, the agency shall add the verified amount of the traveling expenses over 7% to his monthly basic exemption.

b. Mandatory Payroll Deductions over which a Person has no Control.

When a person has involuntary payroll deductions (such as withholding taxes, pension plan payments, retirement fund, check-off, etc.) in an amount that is more than 10% of his monthly basic exemption, the agency shall add the verified amount of the involuntary payroll deductions over 10% to his monthly basic exemption.

c. Employment or Professional Expenses.

When a person, in order to maintain his present employment or in order to maintain the qualifications for his employment, has unusual expenses for special clothing, or for equipment necessary for his occupation or has definite expenses that are in the form of payments to an established organization, (such as professional dues, union dues, business occupations, etc.),

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MONTHLY FOOD ALLOWANCES

FAMILY MEMBERS AGE AND ACTIVITY	FAMILY SIZE			
	ALONE	2	3	4 or more
Infant - 3 years		\$13.75	\$12.60	\$11.45
4 - 9 years		19.60	18.00	16.35
10 - 15 years		27.10	24.85	22.60
Girls: 16 - 18 years		24.55	22.50	20.45
Boys: 16 - 18 years		32.40	29.70	27.00
Adult: Minimal Activity	\$27.45	24.40	22.40	20.35
Adult: Moderate Activity	30.30	26.95	24.70	22.45
Adult: Strenuous Activity	35.70	31.75	29.10	26.45

(Fresh milk included in the above allowances.)

Definitions:

Family Size - Total number of people for whom marketing and food preparation is done in common. This number will, in some instance, not be identical with shelter unit.

Activity Groups as defined on page 8a shall be used for this section.

DEFINITION OF ACTIVITY GROUPINGS

Adult - Minimal Activity

- a. Refers to any person who is performing the household tasks for a family of not more than two persons, or
- b. Refers to any person who is unemployed, or whose employment is 8 hours or less per week, or
- c. Refers to any person who is chairfast or bedfast.

Adult - Moderate Activity

- a. Refers to any person who is performing the household tasks for a family of 3 - 5 members, or
- b. Refers to any person who is employed for more than 8 hours per week and such employment requires only moderate muscular effort as in clerical work, clerking in a store, as a seamstress or tailor, as a factory worker, either sitting or standing, or
- c. Refers to any person who is undergoing a planned program of physical and/or vocational rehabilitation.

Adult - Strenuous Activity

- a. Refers to any person who is performing the household tasks for a family of six or more members, or
- b. Refers to any person who is employed for more than 8 hours per week in an occupation that involves strenuous physical activity such as a laborer, farmer, waiter, laundress, heavy-duty factory worker or any similar work that requires vigorous muscular exertion.

ALLOWANCES FOR RESTAURANT MEALS

1. An allowance for one or more restaurant meals per day shall be included in the client's budget only if:
 - a) the client is physically unable to prepare food, or
 - b) the client's shelter or living arrangement is such that there are no available facilities for food preparation or food service.
2. However, if a client requires a restaurant allowance in accordance with the conditions outlined in 1 above, and it can be demonstrated by the agency that a satisfactory living arrangement, which includes equal or better shelter and equal or better eating arrangements, is actually available to the client at a more reasonable cost, then the lesser amount shall be the maximum allowance to be included in the client's budget.
3. The schedule of monthly allowances for restaurant meals gives the total food allowance for the client who purchases all his meals in a restaurant and also the total food allowances for the client whose living arrangement is such that he purchases some meals in a restaurant and prepares some meals in his home. Select the appropriate allowance according to the number of meals client purchases in the restaurant as the total food allowance to be included in the client's budget.

SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY ALLOWANCES
FOR RESTAURANT MEALS

<u>Meals</u>	<u>Total Monthly Food Allowance</u>
(a) client eats all meals in a restaurant	\$60.00
(b) client eats only dinner in a restaurant	43.75
(c) client eats breakfast and lunch in a restaurant	43.75
(d) client eats breakfast and dinner in a restaurant	51.90
(e) client eats lunch and dinner in a restaurant	51.90
(f) client eats only lunch in a restaurant	35.60
(g) client eats only breakfast in a restaurant	35.60

ALLOWANCES FOR THERAPEUTIC DIETS

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1. Therapeutic Diet - a diet necessary for a diagnosed physical condition. Diet must be prescribed and certified by a physician.
2. Current concept is that the therapeutic diet should adhere as closely as possible to a normal diet. Therapeutic diets should be subjected to periodic medical review. It is the responsibility of the physician to determine the beneficial effects of the therapeutic diet and to indicate the continuance of the therapeutic diet. When a physician prescribes a therapeutic diet for a client who must eat in a restaurant or prescribes a diet for which there is no monthly allowance listed, the local office shall consult the State agency for advice on the necessary monthly monetary allowance.
3. Food allowance for therapeutic diet is the difference in the cost of the therapeutic diet and the cost of the regular diet. Add therapeutic diet allowance to the appropriate food allowances of client.

SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY ALLOWANCES
FOR THERAPEUTIC DIETS

<u>Type of Diet</u>	<u>Additional Monthly Allowances</u>
Bland Low Residue (All ulcer diets)	\$5.20
Diabetic	7.40
High Vitamin, High Caloric, High Protein (Malnutrition, tuberculosis, anemia)	5.20
Low Salt	2.85
Nursing Mother	8.60
Pregnancy	3.30
Low Fat, High Protein	6.25