
For example, if the blue book value for a car with above average mileage and minor body damage is \$10,000, the claimant may present a statement from a John Smith, owner of Honest John's repair shop estimating that the value of Max Claimant's 1995 Honda Accord is valued at \$5500 because it needs \$3000 in repairs for body damage to the front left side of the car and an additional \$1500 in engine work. (i.e., \$10,000-\$3000-\$1500=\$5500.)

Q13. The claimant contends that a car is in less than average condition, but she cannot afford to get an estimate because auto dealers or repair shops will charge her \$25 for verification of the value of the vehicle. Is the county responsible to pay for an estimate?

A13. Perhaps. If a claimant is unable to afford to pay for verification of the value of a vehicle from a reliable source, the claimant may choose to bring in newspaper classified ads for a comparable vehicle with comparable mileage and in comparable condition. If that or other evidence is not available or sufficient, however, the county may be obligated under W&I Code §11275.10(a) and MPP §40-126.332 to assist the claimant to obtain that third party information and to pay any fees charged by the third party for that information.

Q14. In pertinent part, §63-501.53 states that unlicensed vehicles shall be evaluated for equity value only. What is an unlicensed vehicle?

A14. An unlicensed vehicle is one where the owner has not paid the most recent annual license fee.

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CDSS ACIN I-81-00 -- August 15, 2000 (Synopsis): Earnings and Social Security Quarters of Coverage

Earnings and Social Security Quarters of Coverage

Reference: MPP §63-405.43

In 2000, the amount of earnings needed to earn one quarter of coverage (credit) is \$780. A noncitizen who does not meet other criteria for food stamp eligibility needs to have 40 credits in order to establish food stamp eligibility. Attached is a quarter of coverage chart that provides the amount of earnings needed per quarter in each year since 1975 to earn one credit. (see also paraphrased regulations 232-4 through 232-4D)

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CDSS ACIN I-71-00 -- July 27, 2000 (Synopsis): Noncitizen Eligibility Reference Guide

Noncitizen Eligibility Reference Guide

This ACIN reproduces a noncitizen reference guide. This guide revises a version of the Santa Clara County reference guide that was issued via ACIN I-47-95. The guide explains the different categories of noncitizens and the types of documentation associated with each particular group.

The guide is not guaranteed to be completely accurate because immigration laws change frequently. This ACIN states that this guide is not approved for the Medi-Cal program and that any questions should be directed to the appropriate Medi-Cal contact.

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CDSS ACL 00-54 -- August 11, 2000 (Synopsis): CalWORKs WTW Transportation Services
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CalWORKs WTW Transportation Services

Reference: ACL 00-08, 00-12, ACIN I-70-99

This ACL discusses various WTW transportation issues. A few of those issues are as follows:

MPP §42-750.11 requires counties to provide supportive services, including transportation, that are necessary for a participant to obtain or retain employment or to participate in WTW activities. If necessary supportive services are not available, the individual will have good cause for not participating.

Counties are not permitted to "cap" or set a limit on the amount they will pay for transportation. Counties may, however, review requests for transportation over a certain amount to assure the transportation expense is necessary in order for the individual to work or participate in WTW activities.

Per §42-750.21, necessary supportive services, including transportation services, must be advanced so that the participant is not required to use his/her own funds to pay for services, regardless of how much income the participant makes.

If it is necessary for a parent to transport a school-aged child to school in order to participate in a WTW activity, counties must provide payment or reimbursement as a CalWORKs transportation service. Counties are advised to develop policies that clearly define what type of transportation they will provide for participant's children.