

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



July 22, 1998

ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-39-98

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

<p><u>REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Law Change</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal Law or Regulation Change</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Court Order</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Clarification Requested by One or More Counties</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Initiated by CDSS</p>

SUBJECT: REVISED FS 9 - FOOD STAMPS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REFERENCE: All County Letter (ACL) 97-21
ACL 98-50

This notice transmits the revised FS 9 (7/98), Food Stamps Important Information. This form is revised to include narrative to meet the regulations governing the Able-Bodied Adult Without Dependents (ABAWD) work rules. The Food Stamp work requirements are now set forth separately. A minor rearrangement of the information in the citizenship section will provide more clarity. The specific changes are listed in Attachment I.

IMPLEMENTATION

County Welfare Departments (CWDs) will no longer be required to use the TEMP 2133 - "Important Information for Food Stamp Recipients, Work Requirement," since the required information now appears on the FS 9, which is to be provided at application and recertification.

FORM DESIGNATION

CWDs are advised that the forms designation for the FS 9 is "Required - Substitutes Permitted." CWDs must obtain prior approval from the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) before implementing a modification of, or substitution to, this form. The forms modification policy is outlined in Food Stamp Handbook Regulations Section 63-1250.

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CAMERA-READY COPIES AND TRANSLATIONS

Counties should call the Forms Management Bureau at (916) 657-1907 or CALNET 437-1907, for camera-ready copies of the form in any language. However, counties that have provided Language Services Bureau with a county contact and the specific languages needed in their counties (choices of Spanish, Chinese, Cambodian, Vietnamese and Russian) will automatically be sent those languages as soon as the forms have been translated and are ready for distribution. The Spanish and other language versions are expected to be available in about four to six weeks after the English version.

STOCK

The form may be ordered from the CDSS warehouse according to the forms ordering procedures in the County Forms Catalog, upon receipt of the Notice of Change Form (GEN 127), which is issued when stock is available. Counties should begin using the revised FS 9 as soon as it is available and cease using any prior versions as soon as it is administratively feasible.

CONTACTS

If you have questions or need further information regarding this All County Information Notice, you may contact the following staff regarding the specific program areas:

- Food Stamps Bureau: Donna Morgan at (916) 654-5709 or CALNET 464-5709.
- Employment Bureau: Robert Nevins at (916) 654-1408 or CALNET 464-1408.

Sincerely,

***Original document signed by
Charr Lee Metkser on 7/21/98***

CHARR LEE METSKER, Chief
Employment and Eligibility Branch

Attachment