

Eligibility Determination Groups

- Children Under Age 18, Not Living With a Parent

Children under age 18 who live with and are under the parental control of an adult AG member who is not a parent, must be in the same AG as the member who exercises parental control.

- Children Under Age 22, Living With a Parent

Natural or adopted children and stepchildren who are under 22 years of age and who live with a parent must be in the same AG as that parent.

There is no required maximum/minimum amount of time the child must spend with a parent for the child to be included in the SNAP AG. If no one is receiving any benefits from the Department for the child, it is assumed that the living arrangements are not questionable and the child is added to the AG that wishes to add him. If the child is already listed in another AG or the other parent wishes to add the child to his AG, the parents must agree as to where the child “lives” and, ultimately, to which AG he is added. Where the child receives the majority of his meals, **or the percentage of custody must not be the determining factor in which parent receives SNAP for the child.**

2. Who Cannot Be Included

The following individuals who reside with an AG are not considered AG members or are ineligible to be included in the AG. See item B below for treatment of these individuals’ income.

a. Those Who Do Not Purchase and Prepare Food Together

Other individuals who share living quarters with the AG, but who do not customarily purchase and prepare food with them are not included in the AG. These individuals may apply as a separate