

# MINIMUM INVENTORY & PRICING REQUIREMENTS

**REQUIRED of all APPLICANTS awaiting pre-authorization visits and ALL currently authorized VENDORS.**

The vendor must maintain each of the following WIC approved foods, in the quantities stated, on the shelves at all times. To ensure constant availability of WIC foods to WIC customers, a vendor may have to stock the WIC food items in much larger quantities than is required. See the WIC Approved Food List/Participant ID Booklet for product specifications and brand names that are allowed.

<b>FOOD ITEM</b>	<b>CONTAINER SIZE</b>	<b>MINIMUM QUANTITIES AND REQUIRED NUMBER OF KINDS/TYPES/VARIETIES</b>
Fluid Milk	Gallons  Half Gallons	8 gallons: 6 gallons of 2% (Reduced Fat), 1% (Lowfat/Light), or Skim (Fat Free/Nonfat) combined PLUS 2 gallons of Whole (least expensive brand) <u>AND</u> 8 half gallons of milk: 6 half gallons of 2% (Reduced Fat), 1% (Lowfat/Light), or Skim (Fat Free/Nonfat) combined PLUS 2 half gallons of Whole (least expensive brand)
Evaporated Milk	12 oz. cans	12 cans of evaporated milk (least expensive brand)
Cheese	Prepackaged (up to 16 ounces) Deli American (1 Pound)	2 varieties of cheese and 2 pounds/32 oz. of each variety (least expensive brand)
Eggs	1 dozen carton	4 dozen large white <u>or</u> brown eggs (least expensive brand).
Juice	11.5 or 12 oz. cans of concentrate <u>AND</u> 64 oz. plastic bottles of fluid	3 varieties with combined total of: 12 cans of frozen or liquid concentrate juice <u>AND</u> 12 plastic bottles of fluid juice
Fruits	Pounds, pieces, cans, bags, boxes	\$25 worth (at retail prices) and at least 2 varieties total. 1 variety must be fresh 1 variety can be canned or frozen.
Vegetables (No potatoes, except sweet potatoes/yams)	Pounds, pieces, cans, bags, boxes	\$25 worth (at retail prices) and at least 2 varieties total. 1 variety must be fresh 1 variety can be canned or frozen.
Whole Wheat/Whole Grain Bread	1 pound (lb.) loaves	6 packages of Whole Wheat or Whole Grain Bread.
Legumes – Dry Beans, Peas, Lentils	1 pound (lb.) bag	2 varieties and at least 2 bags of each variety (least expensive brand)
Canned Tuna Fish	5 oz. can	6 cans of chunk light tuna in water (least expensive brand)
Hot Cereal	14 oz. box or larger	1 variety and 2 boxes of that variety.
Cold Cereal	14 oz. or larger bags, boxes	3 varieties of cold cereal and 3 boxes of each variety. At least one variety must be whole grain.
Peanut Butter	18 oz. container	1 variety and 3 jars of that variety (least expensive brand).
Baby Food – Fruits & Vegetables	4 oz. jars-Beech-Nut brand only Stage 2 or Stage 2½	36 jars of Beech-Nut baby food fruits and 2 varieties 36 jars of Beech-Nut baby food vegetables and 2 varieties
Infant Cereal (plain)	8 oz. box-Beech-Nut brand only	2 varieties of Beech-Nut infant cereal and 3 boxes of each variety
Infant Formula	Full boxes of six bottles, 8 oz. concentrate = one unit/ 1.5 QT <u>AND/OR</u> 12.5 oz. cans of powder= one unit	24 units of Enfamil Premium Infant, in any combination of six bottle boxes of 8 oz. concentrate or 12.5 oz. cans of powder

**Any WIC-approved food or infant formula item that is not listed as a minimum inventory requirement, but is printed on a WIC check, must be made available to any WIC customer upon request within 48 hours of the request.**

**\*\* Only those items that are in good condition (undamaged) and are not beyond the expiration date or have not exceeded it's "sell by", "best if used by", "manufacturer suggested", or other date limiting the sale or use of the food item shall be considered. Refer to the WIC Program Food List for the approved WIC foods.**

## PRICES MUST BE POSTED:

On the item itself (top, bottom, or side of container)

OR

On the shelf that the item is sitting on (with a small sign or shelf tag)

OR

On a sign attached to the door of a cooler or freezer in front of the item

**EVERY ITEM IN YOUR STORE THAT IS WIC APPROVED,  
MUST HAVE IT'S PRICE POSTED.**

If signs are damaged, they must be replaced immediately! If items are moved to a different location in the store, the pricing sign must be moved with it.

**Suggestion:** To avoid frequent replacement of signs on cooler doors or freezers, cover the sign with plastic wrap and attach to the inside of the door. Posting your Price/Stock Survey at the register does not qualify for posting all WIC food prices.

You must pass the pre-authorization site visit conducted by a representative from the State WIC Program. This means that all WIC foods in your store are priced and the store is stocked with the minimum inventory requirements. If this has been done, your prices are then subject to the WIC Program's price selection criteria.

## PRICE SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Your prices will be compared with the prices of other stores that are similar in size to your store and located in a geographical area with the same population density (1-1,000, 1,001-3,000, or greater than 3,000 people per square mile). If your prices are higher than the average price for your size store and population density, your store may not be selected for authorization. YOU MUST KEEP YOUR PRICES REASONABLE.

**Warning: Using suggested retail prices set by wholesale distributors may be higher than the WIC Program's not to exceed limits and may not meet the price selection criteria.**