

Disaster Standard Expense Deduction Option (DSED) – FY 2018

The Disaster Standard Expense Deduction (DSED) is designed to capture food loss along with other disaster-related expenses, such as loss of income and property repairs.

Note: Only households with actual, unreimbursed disaster-related expenses equal to or greater than \$100 may qualify for DSED. DSED cannot be applied to cases in which food loss is the only qualifying expense.

DSED Income Eligibility Standards and Allotments

Household Size	Net Monthly Income Limit	Standard Deduction	Shelter Cap	Disaster Standard Expense Deduction	Total Disaster Gross Income Limit	Maximum Allotment
1	\$1,005	\$160	\$535	\$768	\$2,468	\$192
2	\$1,354	\$160	\$535	\$1,159	\$3,208	\$352
3	\$1,702	\$160	\$535	\$1,288	\$3,685	\$504
4	\$2,050	\$170	\$535	\$1,584	\$4,339	\$640
5	\$2,399	\$199	\$535	\$1,649	\$4,782	\$760
6	\$2,747	\$228	\$535	\$1,831	\$5,341	\$913
7	\$3,095	\$228	\$535	\$1,888	\$5,746	\$1,009
8	\$3,444	\$228	\$535	\$1,945	\$6,152	\$1,153
Each Additional Member	+\$349	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	+\$406	+\$144

For households with \$100 or more in deductible disaster-related expenses, the Net Monthly Income Limit, Standard Deduction, Shelter Cap, and DSED is already added to the Disaster Gross income Limit (DGIL) to make the Total Disaster Gross Income Limit in the chart above. Households whose take-home pay plus available liquid resources are less than or equal to the Total Disaster Gross Income Limit qualify for D-SNAP benefits.

To determine eligibility, add the household's take-home pay and available liquid resources and compare that figure to the Total Disaster Gross Income Limit in the chart above. If that figure is at or below the Total Disaster Gross Income Limit for the household size, the household is eligible for benefits.