

**FOOD STAMP PROGRAM  
QC REGULATION INTERPRETATION REQUEST**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete items 1 -11 of the form. In item 10 include reason for the QC error. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. Retain a copy of the FS 25 for your records and submit the original to the Food Stamp Policy Implementation Unit, 744 P Street, M.S. 16-32, Sacramento, CA 95814.

1. REQUESTOR NAME: Marjorie Mullan	5. COUNTY: Mendocino
2. PHONE NO.: 707-463-7852	6. SUBJECT: Eligibility determination delayed past 60 days, Counties fault
3. REGULATIONS CITE(S): 63-301.44 Delays past 60 days 63-503 .11 Month of Application	7. REFERENCES:
4. DATE OF REQUEST: 12/21/12	8. DATE RESPONSE NEEDED: 12/28/12 (hopefully)

9. CASE SCENARIO:  
Customer applied for CaFresh on 10/11/12. He was called on 12/21/12 for his intake interview. His application was complete with all needed verifications. During the phone interview he stated he started a part time job on 10/20/12.

So this is a delay caused by the County that is beyond 60 days.

10. QUESTION:  
Can the county grant for the first quarter (Oct, Nov and Dec) and pend for verification of his earnings for the second quarter?

11. PROPOSED COUNTY RESPONSE:  
I believe that we should grant his CalFresh benefits for the first quarter because the application was complete at the time he turned in it to the County (63-301.442). We would then send him a QR 7 for the month of November where he should then report his earnings from his new job. But I am torn because 63-503.11 says: A household's eligibility shall be determined for the month of application by considering the household's circumstances as of the date of interview, and on the day of the date of the phone interview he had been working for 2 months and might be over income now.

12. CDSS FSP POLICY RESPONSE (FSPIU USE ONLY):  
According to MPP 63-301.441, for delays beyond 60 days (delays caused by the county), the CWD shall continue to process the application and any supplemental information provided by the household until an eligibility determination can be made. MPP Sections 63-301-441(a) and (b) define what to do if the household is determined eligible (a) or ineligible (b).

CONSULT:	ANALYST:	DATE:
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