

**WAC 388-464-0001 Am I required to cooperate with quality control?** (1) To be eligible for basic food assistance, transitional food assistance (TFA), or the Washington combined application project (WASHCAP), all household members must cooperate in the quality control (QC) review process.

(2) If someone who must cooperate under subsection (1) of this section refuses to cooperate, your assistance unit (AU) is ineligible for benefits from the date QC has determined that you are refusing to cooperate until the person meets QC requirements or 125 days from the end of the annual QC review period.

(3) If a person leaves a basic food AU that is currently disqualified for refusing to cooperate in the QC review process, the penalty for refusal to cooperate follows that person and continues for the AU that includes the person(s) who refused to cooperate. If we cannot determine which person refused to cooperate, the penalty continues for the AU that includes the head of household at the time QC found your AU refused to cooperate.

(4) The QC review period covers the federal fiscal year, which runs from October 1st of one calendar year through September 30th of the following calendar year.

(5) People applying for basic food after the penalty period in subsection (2) of this section has ended must provide verification of all eligibility requirements. However, if your AU is eligible for expedited service under WAC 388-406-0015, you only need to provide expedited service required verifications.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, and 74.08.090. WSR 23-07-059, § 388-464-0001, filed 3/10/23, effective 4/10/23. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, and 74.08.090 and 7 C.F.R. § 273.2 (d) (2). WSR 11-14-084, § 388-464-0001, filed 7/1/11, effective 8/1/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057 and 74.08.090. WSR 98-16-044, § 388-464-0001, filed 7/31/98, effective 9/1/98.]