

The BLURB

The Blurb #52:
Legal FS Disqualified

An important reminder

Legal FS Disqualified Indicator

Processing noncitizens for SNAP eligibility can be complex as there is a lot of policy and procedure governing noncitizens. As with all complex sets of policy, there are several areas where misunderstanding can lead to critical input errors. One of the most common places is the Legal FS Disqualified radio button located on the INS Designation page.



What is Legal FS Disqualified?

The Legal FS Disqualified field poses a question: Is this person a legal noncitizen who is ineligible to participate in the Federal SNAP Program? The Legal FS Disqualified field has a Yes and No radio button to capture the answer to that question. Since the answer has a direct effect on benefit calculation, it is important for case managers to accurately code the Legal FS Disqualified indicator. To do this, refer to the following chart:

INS Designation	Legal FS Disqualified
Amerasian, Cuban/Haitian, Asylee, Refugee, Deportation Withheld Noncitizen	No
Nonimmigrant (Diplomats, Students, Visitors) Example: Individuals with a VISA	No
Undetermined or Undocumented	No
LPR > 5 years or LPR = 5 years	No
18+ LPR < 5 years	Yes
Child < 18 w/LPR status	No
PRUCOL (Employment Authorized, Temporary Protective Status)	Yes

For further information regarding Noncitizens, see 106 CMR 362.220 -362.240 and the appropriate sections of the BEACON Online Guide.