WIC WYOMING

Minimum Stocking Requirements
January 2023

Authorized Food	Description	Size	Independent Store Local Chain Store	Super Store National or Regional Chain Store
Breakfast Cereal	4 different types ● Two must be whole grain (refer to WIC Food Shopping Guide)	9 to 36 ounce	12 Boxes Total	18 Boxes Total
Beans / Peas	2 dried varieties	1 pound	4 packages	8 packages
Cheese	2 different types: block, shredded, sliced, or string	8 or 16 ounces	4 packages	8 packages
Eggs	White or Brown; A or AA; Medium, Large, Extra Large, or Jumbo	1 dozen	4 dozen	8 dozen
Fish	Tuna **and** Salmon ● Must carry both ● Water-packed	2.5, 3, 5, or 6 ounce cans or pouches	**Light Tuna** ● 4 cans/pouches **Pink Salmon** ● 4 cans/pouches	**Light Tuna** ● 8 cans/pouches **Pink Salmon** ● 8 cans/pouches
Fresh Fruits & Vegetables	● Individual, bulk, packaged, whole, or cut up ● Regular or organic	pounds	***5 Pounds Total*** **Fruits** ● 2 different types **Vegetables** ● 2 different types	***10 Pounds Total*** **Fruits** ● 4 different types **Vegetables** ● 4 different types
Juice	2 different flavors each: 1. 11.5 - 12 ounce frozen 2. 64 ounce shelf stable	**Frozen** ● 11.5 - 12 ounces **Shelf Stable** ● 64 ounces	**Frozen** ● 4 cans **Shelf Stable** ● 4 bottles	**Frozen** ● 8 cans **Shelf Stable** ● 8 bottles
Milk	2 types of fat content: 1. Whole 2. Low-fat (1%) or Nonfat (Skim)	Gallon and Quarts	**Whole** ● 4 gallons ● 2 quarts **Low-fat (1%) / Nonfat (Skim)** ● 4 gallons ● 2 quarts	**Whole** ● 8 gallons ● 4 quarts **Low-fat (1%) / Nonfat (Skim)** ● 8 gallons ● 4 quarts

Note: Quarts of milk may be waived if they adequately stock quarts of whole fat <u>and</u> low-fat/nonfat yogurt.

Authorized Food	Description	Size	Independent Store Local Chain Store	Super Store National or Regional Chain Store
Yogurt	Regular or Greek 2 types of fat content: 1. Whole 2. Low-fat or Nonfat	Quart	**Whole** ● 2 quarts **Low-fat / Nonfat** ● 2 quarts	**Whole** ● 4 quarts **Low-fat / Nonfat** ● 4 quarts
Note: Quarts of yogurt may be waived if they adequately stock quarts of whole fat <u>and</u> low-fat/nonfat milk.				
Peanut Butter	Creamy or Crunchy	16 - 18 ounces	3 jars	6 jars
Whole Grains	2 different types 1. 100% Whole Wheat Bread 2. Other: Brown Rice, Corn Tortillas, Whole Wheat Tortillas, Whole Wheat Pasta, Oatmeal	16 ounces	**100% Whole Wheat Bread** ● 2 loaves of 16 ounce bread **Other Whole Grain** ● 6 packages	**100% Whole Wheat Bread** ● 4 loaves of 16 ounce bread **Other Whole Grain** ● 12 packages
INFANT FOODS				
Infant Cereal	2 types (plain, no fruit added) ● Dry ● Regular or organic	8 or 16 ounces	2 boxes total	6 boxes total
Infant Fruits & Vegetables	2 different varieties ● Single or mixed ingredient ● Regular, natural or organic ● 1st, 2nd, 3rd (crawler) foods ● Each item in multipack is counted individually	2 to 10 ounces	8 containers total	24 containers total
Infant Meats	● Regular or organic ● Single meat with broth or gravy	2.5 ounces	Not required*	**10 containers total** ● 1 different type
Contract Infant Formula: Milk Based	Powdered	Size may vary	6 cans	12 cans
Contract Infant Formula: Soy Based	Powdered	Size may vary	Not required*	6 cans

*Not required = vendor must attempt to stock, within 72 hours, at the request of the WIC customer and/or local WIC clinic.

Each vendor is required to stock a minimum variety and quantity of each type of WIC authorized food at all times. Vendors must provide food that is fresh and within its expiration date, sell by, best if used by, or used by date.

Stocking requirements differ for grocery store types as referenced in the table above. Store types include:

- Independent Store and Local Chain Store
- Super Store
- National or Regional Chain Store
- Commissary

If a vendor is out of stock of a specific item, the vendor **CANNOT SUBSTITUTE** it for another item.

If the vendor does **not** have adequate stock:

- The local vendor monitor will verify with vendor staff that additional stock is not present in the grocery store elsewhere.

- The local vendor monitor will verify the vendor has, or is applying for, a WIC Product Waiver. If so, the vendor will not be required to stock certain WIC authorized foods:

  - Powdered Soy Contract Formula
  - Any Infant Formula
  - Any Infant Products
  - Fish

- Vendor staff will be advised that they are in violation of their current Vendor Agreement. The vendor will be sanctioned 6 points if stock is not met at the next local vendor monitor visit (within 30 days) and the Vendor Agreement can be terminated.

- A new vendor will not be authorized until the minimum stocking requirements are met.

Soy Beverage

Soy beverage is a substitution for regular milk and is not required to be stocked on the shelves; however, if a WIC customer requests it, the vendor must attempt to stock it within 72 hours.

Formula

Occasionally "special" formula will be issued to a WIC participant and must be specified on the Beginning Balance receipt. We ask that WIC customers communicate with the grocery store when they need a special formula which is not normally stocked in sufficient quantities in the store to meet their needs. **The vendor must stock, within 72 hours, special formula at the request of the WIC customer and/or local WIC clinic. This formula should be available 2 days before the first of the month while requested.** A hardship exemption may be applied for in writing to the State Vendor Coordinator regarding the 72 hour time frame which will be evaluated on an individual basis.

- If a limited amount of formula is available on the shelf and more is located in a separate area, post a sign to inform customers that you have additional formula and where to request it.

- An exception to the above infant formula/food requirements may be made in certain areas where infant formula/food is not being utilized. A Product Waiver must be signed by both the State Vendor Coordinator and the vendor to be kept in the vendor's file.

  - Any vendor, who is granted an infant formula/food waiver, must agree to have the infant formula/food available within 72 hours of the initial request by the WIC Program, and continue to keep the formula/food stocked as long as it is needed by the WIC customer(s).