



VENDOR INFORMATION PUBLICATION

An e-newsletter for Alabama WIC Vendors

January 2020

Routine Monitoring Checklist

As noted in the Vendor Procedure Handbook, authorized WIC vendors are subject to routine monitoring visits at anytime for compliance to WIC requirements. During the visit, the WIC representative will be verifying minimum stock, checking product expiration dates, and verifying shelf prices of WIC approved foods.

Please see the checklist for items that will be required of the store representative at the time of the visit.



Routine Monitor Check List for Vendor

During a routine monitoring visit
You will be required to provide the following:

- Alabama WIC Program Vendor Procedure Handbook.
- Vendor Information Publication (VIP) E-Newsletter
- Documentation/Invoices for Infant Formula purchases.
- A valid ADPH Food Permit.
- Documentation on Employee Training.

eWIC Transactions

The maximum number of allotted unique Universal Product Codes (UPC) or Price Look Up (PLU) codes during any eWIC transaction is 50 items. If a participant, has more than 50 items (WIC and non-WIC), you may ask them to separate their WIC items from non-WIC items, up to 50 unique UPCs. This will assure that their transaction goes through.

DON'T EXCEED
50
ITEMS



Produce Mapping (Linking)

The Alabama WIC Program requires retailers to map/link produce to an Alabama WIC-approved PLU code. This means that any WIC-approved fresh fruit or vegetable without an International Federation of Produce Standards (IFPS)-approved PLU code must be mapped/linked to an IFPS-approved PLU code.

Store Responsibility:

- Map/link all required fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Contact your Electronic Cash Register (ECR) Provider for specific instructions on how to map/link produce, as every ECR is different.
- Ensure store personnel is trained to address issues that might occur.

Additional information about mapping can be found by visiting the Alabama eWIC page at: http://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/wic/assets/alabama_wic_%20produce_mapping_informational_sheet.pdf or the [IFPS website](https://www.ifpsglobal.com/) at <https://www.ifpsglobal.com/>.

Check it Out, Alabama has a WIC App!

Access the WIC approved foods brochure and stay connected with social media posts and current WIC news.



**DOWNLOAD
OUR FREE
ALABAMA WIC APP!**



Need Supplies or Have Questions?

We are here to help you! If you have WIC questions or concerns call us at the State WIC Office. You can order supplies, such as shelf labels, Alabama WIC Program Vendor Procedure Handbooks, approved foods brochures, or window clings, by calling 1-888-942-4673.



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Formula/Nutritionals Updates

Mead Johnson has 3 new formulas that WIC participants may be requesting:

Enfamil® NeuroPro Gentlease Infant™ 32 fl. oz. bottle, Ready To Use

Enfamil® NeuroPro Gentlease Infant™ 8 fl. oz./6-pack, Ready To Use

Enfamil® ProSobee Infant™ 32 fl. oz. bottle, Ready To Use

Note: These formulas **are not** part of the minimum stock requirements: however, they must be supplied upon request.

Similac® for Diarrhea™ 32 fl. oz. bottle, Ready To Feed and Ensure® Powder™ 14.1 oz. powder should no longer be requested by participants.

Who's Issued Low Fat/Nonfat Yogurt vs. Whole Milk Yogurt

Women and children ages 2-5 are allowed 32 oz. (2 lb.) low fat and nonfat yogurt in Dannon® and Yoplait® brand varieties.

Children ages 1-2 are **ONLY** allowed whole milk yogurt, which only comes in the Dannon® Plain, Vanilla, and Strawberry 32 oz. tubs. When in doubt, it may be helpful to ask the participant if their child(ren) is under 2 years of age.

Note: Please reference the Alabama WIC Approved Foods Brochure for the approved quantity options. (An excerpt from the brochure is shown on the right.)

YOGURT

32 oz. (2 lb.) yogurt allowed.

Dannon and Yoplait brands only.

Select the products and flavors listed. Pictures may change. Selections may vary by store.

For women and children ages 2-5, low fat or non fat yogurt allowed.



Dannon All Flavors
One 32 oz. (2 lb.) tub



Yoplait All Flavors
One 32 oz. (2 lb.) tub



Yoplait All Flavors
One 8 count - 4 oz. (2 lb.) value pack



Yoplait Gogurt or Simply Gogurt
All Flavors
One 16 count - 2 oz. tubes (2 lb.)



Dannon Activia
All Flavors
Two 4 count - 4 oz. (2 lb.)

For children 1-2 years of age, ONLY whole milk yogurt is allowed.



Dannon
Plain, Vanilla, and Strawberry
One 32 oz. (2 lb.) tub

You Are Responsible For Training Your Cashiers. Need WIC Training?

Please follow the link below for the Vendor Training Module:

<http://alabamapublichealth.gov/alphn/featured/wic-vendor-training.html>

Additional Information Available on the Web at:

www.alabamapublichealth.gov/wic