

### STATE OF CONNECTICUT

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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TO:

2013 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Sponsors

FROM:

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Bureau of Health/Nutrition, Family Services and Adult Education

**DATE:** 

July 3, 2013

**SUBJECT:** 

Operational Memorandum #07-13 - SFSP

Schedule for Submission of Reimbursement

Claims for Reimbursement

The Code of Federal Regulations for the SFSP [§225.9] details specific requirements for submission of claims for reimbursement to State agencies by SFSP Sponsors. The due date for the claim form is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following the last day of the month covered by the claim or as noted on the new schedule below when the 15<sup>th</sup> falls on a weekend or holiday. Final claims, including revisions, must be submitted not later than <u>60 days</u> following the last day of the month covered by the claim. Claims not filed or corrected within the 60 days <u>may not be paid</u>. The new schedule is listed below:

(1)	(2)	(3)	
Claim Month	Due Date for Prompt Payment	Deadline for Final Payment	
June 2013	July 15, 2013	August 29, 2013	
July 2013	August 15, 2013	September 28, 2013	
August 2013	September 16, 2013	October 30, 2013	

- 1. IMPORTANT NOTE: For this program year (Summer 2013), all SFSP sponsors will submit monthly claim information in two ways: (1) on hard copy forms (ED-103 Schedule E); and (2) through the State agency's online (internet-based) claiming system established for this purpose. Access codes and instructions for the online claiming system will be provided under separate cover to all sponsor staff identified with either claim preparer or authorized signer responsibilities in early July. In addition, sponsors will be notified by e-mail when the online system is unlocked and able to accept claims for reimbursement.
- 2. Claims are due (received by State agency) by the date in column (2). Claims MUST be postmarked by the date in column (3) to ensure compliance with the required time frame (60 days). A copy of the claim for reimbursement (ED-103, Schedule E) is enclosed. PLEASE NOTE: Only the U.S. Postal Service postmark is acceptable for the 60-day final deadline. Claims received using agency postage meter dates will not fulfill the final deadline requirement.
- 3. All counts must be supported by adequate documentation and kept on file at the sponsor level. The claim must be limited to actual counts of children served. **No estimates may be included.**

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- 4. Claim forms (original and/or revised) must be postmarked by the date in column (3), deadline for final payment, to ensure receipt of program reimbursement. Exceptions are granted on a case-by-case basis.
- 5. Sponsors that operate 10 operating days or less in the initial month, may submit a combined claim with the subsequent month.\*
- 6. Sponsors that operate 10 operating days or less in the final month of operation, may submit a combined claim with the preceding month.\*
- 7. Sponsors that operate for three consecutive months, may submit combined claims as long as the combined claim only includes 10 operating days or less from each of the first and last months of operation.\*
- \* **Note:** Sponsors that submit a combined claim must submit photocopies of supporting documents for all months covered by the combined claim to the State agency.

While sponsors do not have to report their costs to the State agency, they must continue to maintain records of their costs for the State agency's review or audit purposes. Reimbursement is based solely on "meals times rates" without comparison to actual or budgeted costs. Sponsors must continue to account for any income that accrues to the program but the income will <u>not</u> be deducted from the combined operating and administrative costs to determine the amount of reimbursement the sponsor is entitled to receive.

As a reminder, sponsors must adhere to the above schedule to ensure timely payment of claims. The online system will be locked at the close of the work day on the date indicated in column (2).

All hard copy claims should be sent to the attention of Avis Kelly in the Child Nutrition Unit at 25 Industrial Park Road, Middletown, CT 06457.

Questions regarding the claim filing process and the online system may be directed to Susan Boyle at 860-807-2074 or susan.boyle@ct.gov.

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Enclosure

ED-103 Schedule E Rev. 06/10 7CFR 225.9(d)

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# SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM – CLAIM FOR REIMBURSEMENT IMPORTANT: SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR INSTRUCTIONS

<ol> <li>6.</li> <li>8.</li> <li>9.</li> </ol>	Name and Phone Number of Sponsor:  2. Agreement #  3. Month and Year covered by this report  4. Average Daily Attendance  5. Total Enrollment  Number of Sites in this report  7. No. of Operating days this month  Breakdown: Residential Camp  Non-Residential Camp  Other Sites  Number of Sites: Rural or Self-Prep.  Sype of Sponsor: School  Government  National Youth Sports Program (NYSP)  Private Nonprofit  Private Nonprofit						
10.							
11.	Food Service by Type A. Number of Breakfas B. Number of Lunches C. Number of Suppers D. Number of Snacks (	All Other Types					
	Meal Type  Breakfast Lunch Snack Supper  RTIFY that the informa ort this claim, that this coved.						
Sig	gnature of Authorized Sp	oonsor Representativ	ve	Title		Date	

All claims must be mailed by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following the month covered by this report. <u>SUBMIT ONE COPY</u> with an original signature to the above address and keep a copy for your file. All receipts, invoices, and other evidence of purchase must be maintained on file for three years after the data of submission of the final claim for reimbursement for the fiscal year to which they pertain, or if an audit is outstanding, until the audit is closed, as required by program regulations.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Enter name and phone number of sponsor as indicated on signed Agreement (ED-099).
- 2. Enter your agreement number as assigned on ED-099. Check for accuracy.
- 3. Enter month and year covered by this report.
- 4. Enter the average daily attendance of eligible children for the month covered by this report.
- 5. Enter the number of eligible children listed as enrolled whether or not they attended.
- 6. Enter number of sites covered by this report.
- 7. Enter total number of days which food service operated during the month covered by this report.
- 8. Enter number of sites by categories of rural or self-prep., or all other.
- 9. Check the sponsor by appropriate type.
- 10. Enter under the appropriate column and the proper corresponding lines the actual number of 1st meals you served to eligible children\*.
- 11. Enter under the appropriate column and the proper corresponding lines the actual number of 2nd meals you served to eligible children\*.
- 12. A. Enter the number of 1st meals served from 10A, 10B, 10C & 10D to the appropriate row in 12A.
  - B. Enter the number of 2nd meals served from 11A, 11B, 11C & 11D to the appropriate row in 12B.
  - C. Enter the number from the appropriate row in 12A multiplied by .02. Round any fraction down to a whole number, (e.g. 201.9 is rounded to 201).
  - D. Enter the allowable number of  $2^{nd}$  meals served (lesser of 12B or 12C) in the appropriate row in 12D.
  - E. Enter the allowable total meals served (total of 12A plus 12D) in the appropriate row in 12E.

<sup>\*</sup>Adjustments to the claim form for program violations issued by State Agency personnel will be made at the State Agency.