



## Minimum Stock Requirements (MSRs) for Vendors *(Effective August 15, 2023)*

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#### **What are the Minimum Stocking Requirements?**

Below are the minimum stocking requirements (also known as MSRs) which all authorized vendors must meet at the time of application and throughout their authorization period. Authorized WIC vendors must meet the MSRs assigned to their peer group. The State of Alaska WIC program has five peer groups. Expired foods and spoiled produce do not count toward the minimum stocking requirements. For further detail of WIC approved foods able to be used to meet these requirements, please review the Alaska WIC Approved Food List.

#### **Are there any exceptions to the Minimum Stocking Requirements?**

Yes. Authorized vendors in rural areas can apply for exemptions for some foods including perishable items and those that are not prescribed to WIC households to meet the demand of the MSRs. Exemptions are reviewed and approved by the State of Alaska WIC program on a case-by-case basis in collaboration with the local WIC agencies.

#### **Why does this look different from what was emailed to my store?**

This document has been made available for viewing on our public website and meets accessibility requirements. Authorized WIC vendors in the state of Alaska have been provided a different document containing only their peer group requirements. If needed, a copy of peer group specific MSRs can be provided upon request.

## MSRs for Super Centers

**Infant Formula:** 30 cans Similac Advance 12.4oz powder, 20 cans Similac Sensitive 12 oz powder, and 10 cans Similac Total Comfort 12oz powder

**Infant Cereal:** 192 ounces of 8- or 16-ounce containers

**Infant Meats:** 100 ounces of 2.5-ounce containers

**Infant Fruits and Vegetables:** 768 ounces of either 4- or 8-ounce packages. Must stock at least two fruit varieties and two vegetable varieties.

**Milk:** 50 gallons of skim, fat-free, or low-fat, 10 gallons of 2% fat, and 20 gallons of whole milk fat. Eight gallons must be fat-free or low-fat lactose-free milk. These requirements can be met with fresh, lactose-free, powdered, and/or shelf-stable milk.

**Evaporated Milk:** 288 ounces of 1% and/or fat-free milk. 120 ounces of whole milk.

**Soy Beverage:** 384 ounces

**Tofu:** 6 packages. Must be 16-ounce packages.

**Cheese:** 12 pounds. Must be 8-ounce packages or larger.

**Yogurt:** 384 ounces of fat-free or low-fat milk

**Eggs:** 24 one-dozen containers and/or dried egg package equivalents. Must carry 4.5-ounce packages of Ova Easy dried eggs only if store is unable to consistently have fresh eggs in stock. One 4.5-ounce package of Ova Easy dried eggs equals one dozen fresh eggs.

**Breakfast Cereal:** 576 ounces. Can be hot and/or cold cereals. At least one must be whole grain.

**Whole Grains:** 30 packages. Can be a combination of bread, tortillas, pasta, and/or rice.

**Juice:** 30 containers of 46-to-48-ounce cans or plastic containers and/or 12-ounce frozen cans. And 20 containers of 64-ounce plastic containers and/or 16-ounce frozen cans.

**Legumes:** 30 cans or packages. Can be a combination of 15-to-16 ounce dry and/or canned packages.

**Peanut Butter:** 12 containers. Must be 16-to-18-ounce containers only.

**Fish:** 450 ounces. Can be a combination of containers of tuna, salmon, sardines, or jack mackerel.

**Fruits and Vegetables:** Must have \$400 in value of fresh and \$500 in value or canned and frozen. Must have two fruit and two vegetable options.

## MSRs for Urbanized Areas

Infant Formula: 30 cans Similac Advance 12.4oz powder, 20 cans Similac Sensitive 12 oz powder, and 10 cans Similac Total Comfort 12oz powder

Infant Cereal: 192 ounces of 8- or 16-ounce containers

Infant Meats: 100 ounces of 2.5-ounce containers

Infant Fruits and Vegetables: 200 ounces of either 4- or 8-ounce packages. Must stock at least two fruit varieties and two vegetable varieties.

Milk: 50 gallons of skim, fat-free, or low-fat, 10 gallons of 2% fat, and 20 gallons of whole milk fat. Four gallons must be fat-free or low-fat lactose-free milk. These requirements can be met with fresh, lactose-free, powdered, and/or shelf-stable milk.

Evaporated Milk: 288 ounces of 1% and/or fat-free milk. 120 ounces of whole milk.

Soy Beverage: 384 ounces

Tofu: 4 packages. Must be 16-ounce packages.

Cheese: 12 pounds. Must be 8-ounce packages or larger.

Yogurt: 384 ounces of fat-free or low-fat milk

Eggs: 12 one-dozen containers and/or dried egg package equivalents. Must carry 4.5-ounce packages of Ova Easy dried eggs only if store is unable to consistently have fresh eggs in stock. One 4.5-ounce package of Ova Easy dried eggs equals one dozen fresh eggs.

Breakfast Cereal: 576 ounces. Can be hot and/or cold cereals. At least one must be whole grain.

Whole Grains: 30 packages. Can be a combination of bread, tortillas, pasta, and/or rice.

Juice: 30 containers of 46-to-48-ounce cans or plastic containers and/or 12-ounce frozen cans. And 20 containers of 64-ounce plastic containers and/or 16-ounce frozen cans.

Legumes: 30 cans or packages. Can be a combination of 15-to-16 ounce dry and/or canned packages.

Peanut Butter: 12 containers. Must be 16-to-18-ounce containers only.

Fish: 250 ounces. Can be a combination of containers of tuna, salmon, sardines, or jack mackerel.

Fruits and Vegetables: Must have \$400 in value of fresh and \$500 in value or canned and frozen. Must have two fruit and two vegetable options.

## MSRs for Military Commissaries

Infant Formula: 30 cans Similac Advance 12.4oz powder, 20 cans Similac Sensitive 12 oz powder, and 10 cans Similac Total Comfort 12oz powder

Infant Cereal: 96 ounces of 8- or 16-ounce containers

Infant Meats: 60 ounces of 2.5-ounce containers

Infant Fruits and Vegetables: 200 ounces of either 4- or 8-ounce packages. Must stock at least two fruit varieties and two vegetable varieties.

Milk: 40 gallons of skim, fat-free, or low-fat, 10 gallons of 2% fat, and 10 gallons of whole milk fat. Eight gallons must be fat-free or low-fat lactose-free milk. These requirements can be met with fresh, lactose-free, powdered, and/or shelf-stable milk.

Evaporated Milk: 288 ounces of 1% and/or fat-free milk. 120 ounces of whole milk.

Soy Beverage: 384 ounces

Tofu: 4 packages. Must be 16-ounce packages.

Cheese: 12 pounds. Must be 8-ounce packages or larger.

Yogurt: 384 ounces of fat-free or low-fat milk

Eggs: 12 one-dozen containers and/or dried egg package equivalents. Must carry 4.5-ounce packages of Ova Easy dried eggs only if store is unable to consistently have fresh eggs in stock. One 4.5-ounce package of Ova Easy dried eggs equals one dozen fresh eggs.

Breakfast Cereal: 384 ounces. Can be hot and/or cold cereals. At least one must be whole grain.

Whole Grains: 30 packages. Can be a combination of bread, tortillas, pasta, and/or rice.

Juice: 18 containers of 46-to-48-ounce cans or plastic containers and/or 12-ounce frozen cans. And 12 containers of 64-ounce plastic containers and/or 16-ounce frozen cans.

Legumes: 30 cans or packages. Can be a combination of 15-to-16 ounce dry and/or canned packages.

Peanut Butter: 12 containers. Must be 16-to-18-ounce containers only.

Fish: 90 ounces. Can be a combination of containers of tuna, salmon, sardines, or jack mackerel.

Fruits and Vegetables: Must have \$200 in value of fresh and \$200 in value or canned and frozen. Must have two fruit and two vegetable options.

## MSRs for Rural Connected

Infant Formula: 20 cans Similac Advance 12.4oz powder and 10 cans Similac Sensitive

Infant Cereal: 96 ounces of 8- or 16-ounce containers

Infant Meats: 60 ounces of 2.5-ounce containers

Infant Fruits and Vegetables: 200 ounces of either 4- or 8-ounce packages. Must stock at least two fruit varieties and two vegetable varieties.

Milk: 40 gallons of skim, fat-free, or low-fat, 10 gallons of 2% fat, and 10 gallons of whole milk fat. Four gallons must be fat-free or low-fat lactose-free milk. These requirements can be met with fresh, lactose-free, powdered, and/or shelf-stable milk.

Evaporated Milk: 288 ounces of 1% and/or fat-free milk. 120 ounces of whole milk.

Soy Beverage: 384 ounces

Tofu: 2 packages. Must be 16-ounce packages.

Cheese: 12 pounds. Must be 8-ounce packages or larger.

Yogurt: 192 ounces of fat-free or low-fat milk

Eggs: 12 one-dozen containers and/or dried egg package equivalents. Must carry 4.5-ounce packages of Ova Easy dried eggs only if store is unable to consistently have fresh eggs in stock. One 4.5-ounce package of Ova Easy dried eggs equals one dozen fresh eggs.

Breakfast Cereal: 450 ounces. Can be hot and/or cold cereals. At least one must be whole grain.

Whole Grains: 18 packages. Can be a combination of bread, tortillas, pasta, and/or rice.

Juice: 12 containers of 46-to-48-ounce cans or plastic containers and/or 12-ounce frozen cans. And 12 containers of 64-ounce plastic containers and/or 16-ounce frozen cans.

Legumes: 30 cans or packages. Can be a combination of 15-to-16 ounce dry and/or canned packages.

Peanut Butter: 12 containers. Must be 16-to-18-ounce containers only.

Fish: 90 ounces. Can be a combination of containers of tuna, salmon, sardines, or jack mackerel.

Fruits and Vegetables: Must have \$200 in value of canned and/or frozen. Fresh can be used to meet this requirement. Must have two fruit and two vegetable options.

## MSRs for Rural Remote

Infant Formula: 20 cans Similac Advance 12.4oz powder and 10 cans Similac Sensitive

Infant Cereal: 96 ounces of 8- or 16-ounce containers

Infant Meats: 60 ounces of 2.5-ounce containers

Infant Fruits and Vegetables: 200 ounces of either 4- or 8-ounce packages. Must stock at least two fruit varieties and two vegetable varieties.

Milk: 40 gallons of skim, fat-free, or low-fat, 10 gallons of 2% fat, and 10 gallons of whole milk fat. Four gallons must be fat-free or low-fat lactose-free milk. These requirements can be met with fresh, lactose-free, powdered, and/or shelf-stable milk.

Evaporated Milk: 288 ounces of 1% and/or fat-free milk. 120 ounces of whole milk.

Soy Beverage: 384 ounces

Tofu: 2 packages. Must be 16-ounce packages.

Cheese: 12 pounds. Must be 8-ounce packages or larger.

Yogurt: 192 ounces of fat-free or low-fat milk

Eggs: 12 one-dozen containers and/or dried egg package equivalents. Must carry 4.5-ounce packages of Ova Easy dried eggs only if store is unable to consistently have fresh eggs in stock. One 4.5-ounce package of Ova Easy dried eggs equals one dozen fresh eggs.

Breakfast Cereal: 450 ounces. Can be hot and/or cold cereals. At least one must be whole grain.

Whole Grains: 18 packages. Can be a combination of bread, tortillas, pasta, and/or rice.

Juice: 12 containers of 46-to-48-ounce cans or plastic containers and/or 12-ounce frozen cans. And 12 containers of 64-ounce plastic containers and/or 16-ounce frozen cans.

Legumes: 20 cans or packages. Can be a combination of 15-to-16 ounce dry and/or canned packages.

Peanut Butter: 12 containers. Must be 16-to-18-ounce containers only.

Fish: 90 ounces. Can be a combination of containers of tuna, salmon, sardines, or jack mackerel.

Fruits and Vegetables: Must have \$200 in value of canned and/or frozen. Fresh can be used to meet this requirement. Must have two fruit and two vegetable options.

## Questions

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