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**Summary**

Effective October 1, 2010, Basic Food policy is amending several manual sections related to Basic Food Employment and Training (formerly called Food Stamp Employment and Training). Amended manual and WAC sections include:

- 388-444-0005 *Food stamp employment and training (FS E&T) program – General requirements;*
- 388-444-0010 *Clients who are required to register for work and must participate in FS E&T;*
- 388-444-0015 *Who is not required to register for work or participate in FS E&T?*
- 388-444-0025 *Payments for FS E&T related expenses;*
- 388-444-0050 *Good cause for failure to register for work or for not participating in the FS E&T program;*
- 388-444-0055 *What are the penalties for refusing or failing to comply?*
- 388-444-0060 *FS E&T – Unsuitable employment.*

The change repeals WAC 388-444-0020 *When must clients register for work but are not required to participate in the food stamp employment and training program (FS E&T)* as it is obsolete.

The Food Stamp Employment and Training – Appendix III, *FS Employment and Training Service Areas* is being deleted as it is no longer needed.

The amendments to the Basic Food Employment & Training program (formerly Food Stamp E&T) will:

- Change the program name from “Food Stamp employment and training” program to “Basic Food Employment and Training program” or BF E&T;
- Change BF E&T into an all-volunteer program;
- Expand the definition of BF E&T to include any Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) E&T activities or services provided in Washington State;
- Define and clarify which Basic Food recipients are mandatory Basic Food work registrants;
- Define and clarify which Basic Food recipients can volunteer for BF E&T activities; and
- Align rules with current Federal regulations on E&T requirements.

All EAZ Manual sections formerly related to FSET are being renamed to begin with *BasicFoodWR* (Basic Food Work Requirements) and appropriate section name. For example, *Food Stamp Employment and Training – Disqualification* is renamed *Basic Food Work Requirements – Disqualification*.