

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Intent to Amend Regulations

In accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 4-168 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of Social Services, under section 17b-3 of the Connecticut General Statutes, intends to amend sections 3050, 3050.05, 3050.10, 8080.30 and 8540.20 of the Uniform Policy Manual ("UPM") and add new section 3050.15 to the UPM.

Statement of purpose: (A) The purpose of the proposed regulation is to clarify the technical eligibility criteria applicable to individuals who are felons, fleeing felons, probation or parole violators and apply for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP") or Temporary Family Assistance ("TFA") (formerly referred to as "AFDC") benefits, and to add similar technical eligibility criteria to the State Administered General Assistance Cash benefits ("SAGA Cash") and State Supplement programs.

The problems, issues or circumstances that the regulation proposes to address: Previously, the policy regarding technical eligibility contained in sections 3050, 3050.05 and 3050.10 of the UPM applied only those individuals receiving or applying for TFA or SNAP benefits. The proposed amendment adds similar technical eligibility requirements to the State Supplement and SAGA Cash programs. These additions are made pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1382(e) and § 17b-191(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes, respectively. The proposed language would make an individual who (1) is convicted of a crime that is a felony and who has not completed the sentence imposed by the court, is not satisfactorily serving a period of probation, or has not completed a court ordered substance abuse treatment program; (2) fleeing to avoid prosecution for either a crime or an attempt to commit a crime; (3) fleeing to avoid custody or confinement after conviction of a crime; or (4) is in violation of their terms of probation or parole, ineligible for SNAP, TFA, SAGA Cash or State Supplement benefits.

In addition to other technical corrections, the proposed amendment change references to the "Food Stamp" program to the "Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program" (SNAP) in the UPM to comply with the changes made to the Food Stamp program by the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008.

(B) The main provisions of the regulation: (1) revise the language of section 3050.05 and 3050.10 of the UPM to more accurately reflect the technical eligibility criteria as they relate to felony status, fleeing felons, parole and probation violators

in SNAP as provided in 7 C.F.R. §§ 273.11(m), (n); (2) pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 862a and 42 U.S.C. § 608(a)(9), add new section 3040.15 to the UPM that provides the policy regarding technical eligibility criteria for felons, fleeing felons and parole and probation violators who receive or apply for State Supplement; (3) pursuant to section 17b-191(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes revise the technical eligibility criteria for SAGA cash in section 8080.30 of the UPM to include a provision that clarifies that the same requirements under the TFA program also apply to felons, fleeing felons, parole and probation violators who receive or apply for SAGA Cash; and (4) revise section 8540.20 of the UPM to make minor technical changes and to amend language to be consistent with 42 U.S.C. § 608(a)(9).

(C) The legal effects of the regulation, including all of the ways that the regulation would change existing regulations or other laws: The amended language will clarify existing provisions and add new provisions regarding the technical eligibility criteria that apply to individuals who are felons, fleeing felons, parole or probation violators and apply for SNAP, TFA, SAGA Cash and State Supplement benefits.

A copy of the complete text of this regulation is available, at no cost, upon request from the Office of Legal Counsel, Regulations and Administrative Hearings, Department of Social Services, 25 Sigourney Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106; email: patricia.pion@ct.gov.

All written comments, questions, and concerns regarding this regulation may be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice to the Department of Social Services, Office of Legal Counsel, Regulations & Administrative Hearings, 25 Sigourney Street, Hartford, Connecticut, 06106. Attention: Brenda Parrella, Director. A hearing will be scheduled on the proposed regulation if requested by fifteen persons, by a governmental subdivision of an agency or by an association having not less than fifteen members, if notice of the request is received by the Department within fourteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

When submitting correspondence, please refer to DSS Reg. No.10-06/DS.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Notice of Intent to Amend the Boating Safety Regulations to Establish a Vessel Length Limit on Candlewood Lake

The Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) hereby gives notice of his intent to amend Section 15-121-B15a of the Regulations of the Connecticut State Agencies to establish a vessel length limit on Candlewood Lake. This amendment is being proposed pursuant to Special Act 10-3 and under the authority granted to the Commissioner in Connecticut General Statute Section 15-121(b)(11).

Statement of purpose: Special Act 10-3 requires the DEEP to propose a regulation implementing a vessel length limit of under 26-feet on Candlewood Lake for the purpose of halting the general escalation of vessel size on the lake, understood to be both a cause and a consequence of user conflict. Under this proposed amendment to existing Candlewood Lake regulations, persons operating an unauthorized oversized vessel will be subject to ejection from the lake and/or a fine. Authorization to operate will be given to oversized vessels that have historically been used or that