

Illinois WIC Program Violations and Sanctions

This Addendum identifies various types of violations to the WIC Program and the associated sanctions.

- Program may provide warnings before imposing participant sanctions.
- First violation less than \$100 will impose a warning.
- Second violation or violation greater than \$1000 will impose a sanction.

Participant Violation	Sanction
1. Sale of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Card, WIC Breast pump or WIC food benefits (including exchange for other items of value).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Month Suspension, or • Full repayment or approved repayment schedule within 30 days, or • Approved designation of a proxy.
2. Alteration of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Card or WIC food benefits.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Month Suspension, or • Full repayment or approved repayment schedule within 30 days, or • Approved designation of a proxy.
3. Dual participation/Redemption of Duplicate Benefits.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immediately remove from one program. • 12 Month Suspension, or • Full repayment or approved repayment schedule within 30 days, or • Approved designation of a proxy.
4. Deliberately making a false or misleading statement or intentionally misrepresenting, concealing or withholding fact.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Month Suspension, or • Full repayment or approved repayment schedule within 30 days, or • Approved designation of a proxy.
5. Derogatory or verbally abusive action in relation with local agency Or WIC food vendor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Month Suspension, or • Approved designation of a proxy.
6. Theft or use of stolen Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Car or food benefits.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Month Suspension, or • Full repayment or approved repayment schedule within 30 days, or • Approved designation of a proxy. • Referral to local law enforcement by local agency staff.
7. Physically abusive toward local agency staff or WIC food vendor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Month Suspension, or • Full repayment or approved repayment schedule within 30 days, or • Approved designation of a proxy. • Referral to local law enforcement by local agency staff.