ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTATION

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

SOURCES OF DOCUMENTATION

Staff may verify eligibility documentation through livestream (video sharing) such as Zoom, WebEX, or Adobe Connects or other virtual media platform. Eligibility documentation may also be verified via secure email. When documents are verified through live stream or via email staff must include the verified documentation in the customer file along with a completed Documentation Inspection Form (Attachment J).

The use of electronic signatures on eligibility documentation is permissible.

Only one of the following is required for each criterion. See also alternate forms. This document listing may not be exhaustive. Should you encounter a document that is not listed here, please contact your MDCS Field Management and Oversight representative for assistance in discerning the document's validity for the purpose of WIOA Title I eligibility.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY – Required for adults and dislocated workers

Birth Date/Age

- 1. Baptismal Record
- 2. Birth Certificate
- 3. DD-214, Report of Transfer or Discharge Paper
- 4. Driver's License (with Photo and Date of Birth)
- 5. Federal, State or Local Government Identification Card that includes a birth date
- 6. Selective Service Card
- 7. Hospital Record of Birth
- 8. Passport (as long as the passport includes the date of birth)
- 9. Public Assistance\Social Service Records
- 10. School Records\Identification Card
- 11. Letter from Commonwealth of Massachusetts EOHHS Agency (for Foster Child and State Custody Youth, only)
- 12. Unexpired Alien Registration Card/Documents indicating authorization to work in the United States I-179, I-197, I-551, I-688, I-688A, I-688B, I-766, Certificate of Naturalization (Form N-565 or N-570) I-94 Arrival/Departure Form

U.S. Citizenship *or*Authorization to Work in the United States if a non-U.S. Citizen**

- 1. U.S. Baptismal Certificate (if place of birth is shown)
- 2. U.S. Birth Certificate
- 3. U.S. Hospital Record of Birth
- 4. U.S. Passport (either current or expired)
- 5. U.S. Passport Card (either current or expired)
- 6. Certificate of Naturalization (Form N-565 or N-570)
- 7. Unexpired Alien Registration Card/Documents indicating authorization to work in the Unites States (INS Forms I-179, I-

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		197, I-327, I-551, I-571, I-688, I-688A, I-688B, I-766, an
		unexpired I-94 Arrival/Departure form that includes an
		endorsement (stamped) of the individual's status as authorized
		to work in the United States when accompanied with an
		unexpired temporary foreign passport that has the same name
		as the I-94, an unexpired temporary foreign passport stamped
		with an I-155 Work Authorization stamp
	8.	Native American Tribal document
	9.	Non-Restricted Social Security Card AND Government Issued
		Identification containing a photograph or information such as
		name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address.
	10.	Printout from the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements
		Program (SAVE) AND a Government Issued Identification
		containing a photograph or information such as name, date of
		birth, gender, height, eye color, and address.
Selective Service Registrant*	1.	DD-214, Report of Transfer or Discharge
	2.	Selective Service Advisory Opinion Letter (not used after Jan,
		1995)
	3.	Selective Service Online Verification at http://www.sss.gov
		(printout)
	4.	Selective Service Registration Acknowledgement Card
	5.	Selective Service Status Information Letter
	6.	Selective Service Registration Record (Form 3A)
	7.	Stamped Post Office Receipt of Registration
	8.	Certificate of Naturalization (Form N-565 or N-570; indicates
		compliance with all Selective Service requirements)
	9.	U.S. Passport (for non-U.S. born customers, only)

^{*}Online verification is available for men born on or after 12/31/59. Men between the ages of 18-26 who have not registered should be referred to SSS for registration prior to enrollment in WIOA Title I. Registration may be completed online at the web site.

An individual's legal right to work in the United States may be documented using the Social Security Card (unless the card says that it is not valid for employment) AND Driver's License or other government issued picture ID containing a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color and address. The SS Card establishes work authorization and the identification establishes identity (and that the SS Card belongs to the person).

Pursuant to the USDOL policy that final decisions for disbursing federally financed domestic benefits, services, rights, or training, rests solely with the provider agencies that disburse them, the local Title I operator is responsible for determining if an individual seeking services under Title I meets Selective Service requirements. As such, the Title I operator must determine for any Title I applicant who was required to register with Selective Service and failed to do so, whether that failure was knowing or willful. It is the responsibility of the individual to demonstrate that such failure to register was not knowing or willful. If the Title I operator determines it was not knowing and willful failure and the individual is otherwise eligible, services may be provided. If the Title I operator determines that evidence shows that the individual's failure to register was knowing and willful, WIOA services must

be denied, Individuals denied services must be advised of available WIOA grievance procedures. Title I operators must keep documentation related to evidence presented in determination related to Selective Service.

Reference: Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration. Training and Employment Guidance Letter No. 11-11, CHANGE 2

** U.S. Citizenship or Authorization to Work in the United States if a non-U.S. Citizen, source documentation can be found at: https://www.uscis.gov/i-9 - under Instructions for Form I-9.

	ECONOMIC ELIGIBILITY
Cash Public Assistance	1 Convert Authorization to Descius Cook Dublic Assistance
Cash Public Assistance	1. Copy of Authorization to Receive Cash Public Assistance
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NOTE: The listed items of	3. Medical Card showing Cash Grant Status
documentation are	4. Public Assistance Identification Card showing Cash Grant Status
acceptable for any	5. Public Assistance Records/Printout/Master File
individual listed on grant.	
Individual/Family Income	1. Alimony Agreement
	2. Award letter from Veterans Administration
	3. Bank Statements (Direct Deposits)
	4. Compensation Award Letter
	5. Court Award Letter
	6. Employer Statement/Contact
	7. Business Financial Records
	8. Housing Authority Verification (must include dates of
	occupancy)
	9. Pay Stubs
	10. Pension Statement
	11. Quarterly Estimated Tax for Self-Employed Persons
	12. Social Security Benefits
	13. Unemployment Insurance Documents
	14. Written statement from other Federal, State or Local agency
	15. Applicant Statement if no other forms of documentation are
	available – must be supported with a corroborative contact or
	reliable witness (see Attachment G instruction)
	16. Telephone verification if other forms of documentation are not
	readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
	17. Document Inspection if provided document cannot be legally
	photocopied (see Attachment G instruction)

Individual Status/Family	Birth Certificate
Individual Status/Family	_
Size	
	3. Disabled (See "Individuals with Disabilities" below)4. Divorce Decree
	5. Lease or Landlord Statement
	6. Marriage Certificate
	7. Medical Card
	8. Public Assistance/Social Service/Public Housing Agency Records
	9. Letter from Commonwealth of Massachusetts EOHHS Agency
	(for Foster Child and State Custody Youth, only)
	10. Applicant Statement if no other forms of documentation are
	available – must be supported with a corroborative contact or
	reliable witness (see Attachment G instruction)
	11. Telephone verification if other forms of documentation are
	not readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
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Supplemental Nutrition	Current Authorization to obtain SNAP
Assistance Program (SNAP)	2. Current SNAP receipt
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	4. Postmarked SNAP Mailer with Applicable Name and Address
	5. Public Assistance Records\Printout
Homeless	Written Statement from an Individual Providing Temporary
(Income verification not	Residence
required)	Written Statement from Shelter/Social Service Agency
i required)	3. Letter from Commonwealth of Massachusetts EOHHS Agency
	(for Foster Individual and State Custody Individual, only)
	4. Applicant Statement if no other forms of documentation are
	available – must be supported with a corroborative contact or
	reliable witness (see Attachment G instruction)
	5. Telephone verification if other forms of documentation are not
	readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
	6. Document Inspection if provided document cannot be legally
	photocopied (see Attachment G instruction)
Supported Foster	Court Contact
Individual – up to age 21	2. Court Documentation
(Income verification not	3. Medical Card
required)	4. Verification of Payments made on Behalf of the Child
requireu)	5. Written Statement from State\Local Agency
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	7. Telephone verification if other forms of documentation are not
	readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
	8. Document Inspection if provided document cannot be legally

	photocopied (see Attachment G instruction)
Individual with Disabilities	1. Letter from Drug or Alcohol Rehabilitation Agency
(Customer's own income	2. Letter from Child Study Team Stating Specific Eligibility
must be considered)	3. Medical Records
,	4. Observable Condition
	5. Physician Statement
	6. Psychiatrist's/Psychologist's Diagnosis
	7. Rehabilitation Evaluation
	8. School Records
	9. Sheltered Workshop Certification
	10. Social Service Records/Referral
	11. Social Security Administration Disability or Veterans Admin.
	Records
	12. Vocational Rehabilitation Letter
	13. Workers Compensation Record
	14. Applicant Statement if no other forms of documentation are
	available – must be supported with a corroborative contact or
	reliable witness (see Attachment G instruction)
	15. Telephone verification if other forms of documentation are not
	readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
	16. Document Inspection if provided document cannot be legally
	photocopied (see Attachment G instruction)
Offender (Customer's own	1. Court Contact
income must be	2. Court Documentation
considered)	3. Medical Card
	4. Verification of Payments made on Behalf of the Child
	5. Written Statement from State/Local Agency
	6. Letter from Commonwealth of Massachusetts EOHHS
	7. Agency Telephone verification if other forms of documentation
	are not readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
	8. Document Inspection if provided document cannot be legally
	photocopied (see Attachment G instruction)

	ADULT PRIORITY OF SERVICE
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spouses	2. DOD Letter
	Letter from the Service Members Current Command
	4. Military Identification Card for Member or Spouse Currently on
	Active Duty
	5. National Guard Report of Separation and Record of Service
	6. Military Orders
Dulalia Assistance	7. Veterans Administration letter or records
Public Assistance	 Copy of Authorization to Receive Cash Public Assistance Copy of Public Assistance Check
	Copy of Public Assistance Check Medical Card showing Cash Grant Status
	4. Public Assistance Identification Card showing Cash Grant
	Status
	5. Public Assistance Records/Printout/Master File
Other Low-Income	1. Alimony Agreement
individuals	Award letter from Veterans Administration
(For Low-Income also see	3. Bank Statements (Direct Deposits)
Economic Eligibility above.)	4. Compensation Award Letter 5. Court Award Letter
	6. Employer Statement/Contact
	7. Business Financial Records
	8. Housing Authority Verification (must include dates of
	occupancy)
	9. Pay Stubs
	10. Pension Statement
	11. Quarterly Estimated Tax for Self-Employed Persons
	12. Social Security Benefits
	13. Unemployment Insurance Documents 14. Written statement from other Federal, State or Local agency
	15. Applicant Statement if no other forms of documentation are
	available – must be supported with a corroborative contact or
	reliable witness (see Attachment G instruction)
	16. Telephone verification if other forms of documentation are not
	readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
	Document Inspection is permissible if provided document cannot
Basic Skill Deficient	be legally photocopied (see Attachment G instruction)
Youth or Adult who tests at	1.Local areas must use assessment tools that are valid and
or below 8.9 grade level in	appropriate. The following is a list of valid assessment tools,
English, reading, writing, or	please note this list is not intended to be limiting:
computing skills.	_

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	Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) 9-10 ¹
	Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) 11-12
	Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) CLAS – E
	Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment System (CASAS)
	Wonderlic General Assessment of Instructional Needs (GAIN)
	Massachusetts Adult Proficiency Test (MAPT)
	Basic English Skills Test (BEST) Plus
	For complete listing of NRS Test Benchmarks for Educational
	Functioning Levels visit: https://www.nrsweb.org/
	2. ACT WorkKeys Placement Quiz or Exam along with Crosswalk to US DOL EFL Descriptors, TABE, CASAS
	Link to crosswalk found here: https://www.mass.gov/service-
	details/workkeys-assessment-crosswalk-tools
	Note: Documentation must include test name, date taken and
	grade level or score.
English Language Learner	1.Basic English Skills Test (BEST) Literacy
	2.Referral or verification from or Records from Title II Adult
	Education Program
	3. Letter from School Official on School Letterhead
	4.Statement from Recognized Community Based Organization
Lacks high school diploma	1. School Records (Transcripts or Report Cards)
or equivalent and not	2. Letter from School Official on School Letterhead
enrolled in secondary	3. Verification from School District Student Records Department
education	
Enrolled in a Title II Adult	1.Referral or verification from Title II Adult Education Program
Education/Literacy	2.Referral or verification from Adult Community Learning Services
program	Staff
Lacks basic computer	1. Formalized Testing Instruments
literacy or basic financial	2. Documented Interviews
literacy skills	

	DISLOCATED WORKERS
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTATION
(A)	
(i) terminated, laid-off or received notice and	 Unemployment Insurance (UI) records Referral from Rapid Response Notice of Ineligibility for Unemployment Insurance
(ii) (I) is eligible for, or has exhausted entitlement	4. Profiled Customer/Referral Form5. Documentation from former employer, including telephone

¹ Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) 9-10 is not a valid testing tool to measure Education Functioning Levels.

to, UI benefits; or	_	verification of employment and layoff status
(II) has been employed but is not eligible for UI due to insufficient earnings or were not covered under UI, and	6. 7. 8.	Pay stubs (accept only with 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, above) W2 records (accept only with 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, above) Tax return (accept only with 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, above)
(iii) is unlikely to return to a previous industry or occupation		
 (B) (i) is terminated, laid-off or received notice as a result of permanent closure or substantial layoff (ii) is employed at a facility that has announced plans to close within in 180 days; or 	 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 	Letter from company (must list customer name and date of layoff if only form of documentation presented) WARN Notice with recent pay stub Newspaper article with recent pay stub Documentation from employer, including telephone verification or employment and layoff status. Unemployment Insurance (UI) records Profiled Customer/Referral Form Referral from Rapid Response Telephone verification if other forms of documentation are not readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
(iii) for purposes of receiving services, is employed at a facility that has announced plans to close		
(C) was self-employed but is unemployed due to general economic conditions or because of natural disaster	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Document indicating business closure Business Tax documents or returns News article or other written announcement of business closure (use only with 2 or 4) Business license (use only with 1, 2, or 3, above) Telephone verification if other forms of documentation are not readily available (see Attachment G instruction)
(D) is a displaced homemaker who has been providing unpaid services to family members in the home and who has been dependent on the income of another family member but is	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	Tax returns Social Security documents Death notice and/or certificate (with applicant statement and/or other proof of income status such as 1, 2, 4, 5 or 6) Divorce decree (with applicant statement and/or other proof of income status such as 1, 2, or 5) Public assistance records/UI records documentation of divorce filing (with applicant statement and/or other proof of income status such as 1, 2, or 5)

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