Empire Justice Center's Food Stamp Budget Worksheet for New York State
(Effective from February 1, 2009 through September 2009)

A. GROSS INCOME

1. Monthly Gross Earned Income (salary, self-employment, etc.)
2. Monthly Income from Boarder/Lodger (exclude first $176 for one, $323 for two)
3. Total Gross Monthly EARNED Income (Lines 1 + 2)
4. a. Monthly UNEARNED Public Assistance
   b. Monthly UNEARNED SSA/SSI/SSD
   c. Other Monthly UNEARNED (e.g. unemployment, child support)
   d. Monthly RENTAL Income (after subtracting costs)
5. Total Gross Monthly UNEARNED (Line 4a + 4b + 4c + 4d)
6. Total Gross Monthly EARNED and UNEARNED Income (Line 3 + 5)
7. MINUS Legally Obligated Child Support
8. ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME (Line 6 - 7) A.

B. MAXIMUM GROSS MONTHLY INCOME TEST - Cannot exceed 130% of FPL unless household contains elderly or disabled member. B.

C. DEDUCTIONS

8. 20% Deduction on Gross Earned Income (20% x Line 3)
9. Standard Deduction based on Household Size:
   1 - 3 people $144; 4 people $147; 5 people $172; 6 or more people $197
10. Child/Dependent Care (as of 10/1/08, there is no longer a cap on this deduction)
11. Homeless Shelter Deduction: $143 (for undomiciled)
12. Unreimbursed Medical Costs (ONLY for elderly or disabled - exclude the first $35)
13. TOTAL DEDUCTIONS (Lines 8 + 9 + 10 +11 + 12) C.

D. ADJUSTED INCOME (Line A minus Line C) D.

E. MONTHLY SHELTER COSTS

13. Actual RENT/MORTGAGE Billed to Household
14. STANDARD UTILITY ALLOWANCES: (Choose Level 1, 2 or 3)

   LEVEL 1 NYC: $781
   L.I.: $727
   Rest of State: $645
   Most households are now eligible for Level 1 SUA because they automatically receive at least $1 in HEAP benefits

   OR

   LEVEL 2 NYC: $308
   L.I.: $286
   Rest of State: $261
   Households with $0 rent, no HT/AC costs but who pay for domestic utilities

   OR

   LEVEL 3 All districts: $33
   Phone SUA (Residents of DV/homeless shelters)

15. Costs for Applicant Owned Property: (Property Taxes, Home Insurance, Repairs, etc.)
16. TOTAL Shelter Costs (Lines 13 + 14 + 15) E.
F. SHELTER DEDUCTIONS

16. Total Shelter Cost (Line E) ______________

17. One-Half of Adjusted Income (Line D divided by 2) ______________

18. Excess Shelter Costs (Line 16 minus 17): (If negative enter $0) ______________

Excess Shelter Deduction - Enter line 18 up to maximum of $446. If household contains an elderly or disabled household member, enter full amount. F. ___________

G. NET FOOD STAMP INCOME (must be at or below 100% FPL unless household is categorically eligible)

19. Adjusted Income (Line D) ______________

20. Maximum Excess Shelter Deduction (Line F) ______________

Monthly Net Food Stamp Income (Line 19 minus Line 20) (Negative = $0) G. ______________

H. FOOD STAMP ENTITLEMENT

21. Enter Thrifty Food Plan amount for Household size (chart, last column) ______________

22. Multiply Net Food Stamp Income by 30% (Line G x .30) ______________

ESTIMATED FOOD STAMP BENEFITS (lines 21 minus 22) H. ______________

Note: 1 & 2 person households whose net income does not exceed 100% of FPL or who are categorically eligible automatically receive a minimum grant of $14, even if line H is less than $14. Households of 3 or more with grant of zero or less are ineligible.

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<th>Household Size</th>
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<th><strong>Maximum Monthly Income of Household Living with Disabled Elderly (165% of Poverty)</strong></th>
<th>Maximum Gross Monthly Income (130% of Poverty)</th>
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<th>Thrifty Food Plan (Maximum Allotment)</th>
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*A disabled and elderly person (and spouse) living with others can be treated as a separate FS household even if unable to purchase and prepare meals separately, as long as the income of the household with which (s)he (or they) reside does not exceed 165%FPL. (A disabled person who has his food purchased and prepared separately, even if by someone in the household, is a separate FS household.)

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