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**Liability of Local Agency for Food Instrument Inventory Shortages**

**Purpose**

To assign liability for the loss of WIC food instruments and Farmers Market Nutrition Program food instruments to the entity that controls the security and disposition thereof.

**Authority**

7 CFR Part 246.12

**Policy**

Local agencies (LAs) are to be held accountable for all food benefit instruments received by them. Upon the discovery of inventory shortages, or improperly issued food benefit instruments, the state agency may assess the LA a monetary sum equal to the actual and/or redeemed value of the food benefit instruments.