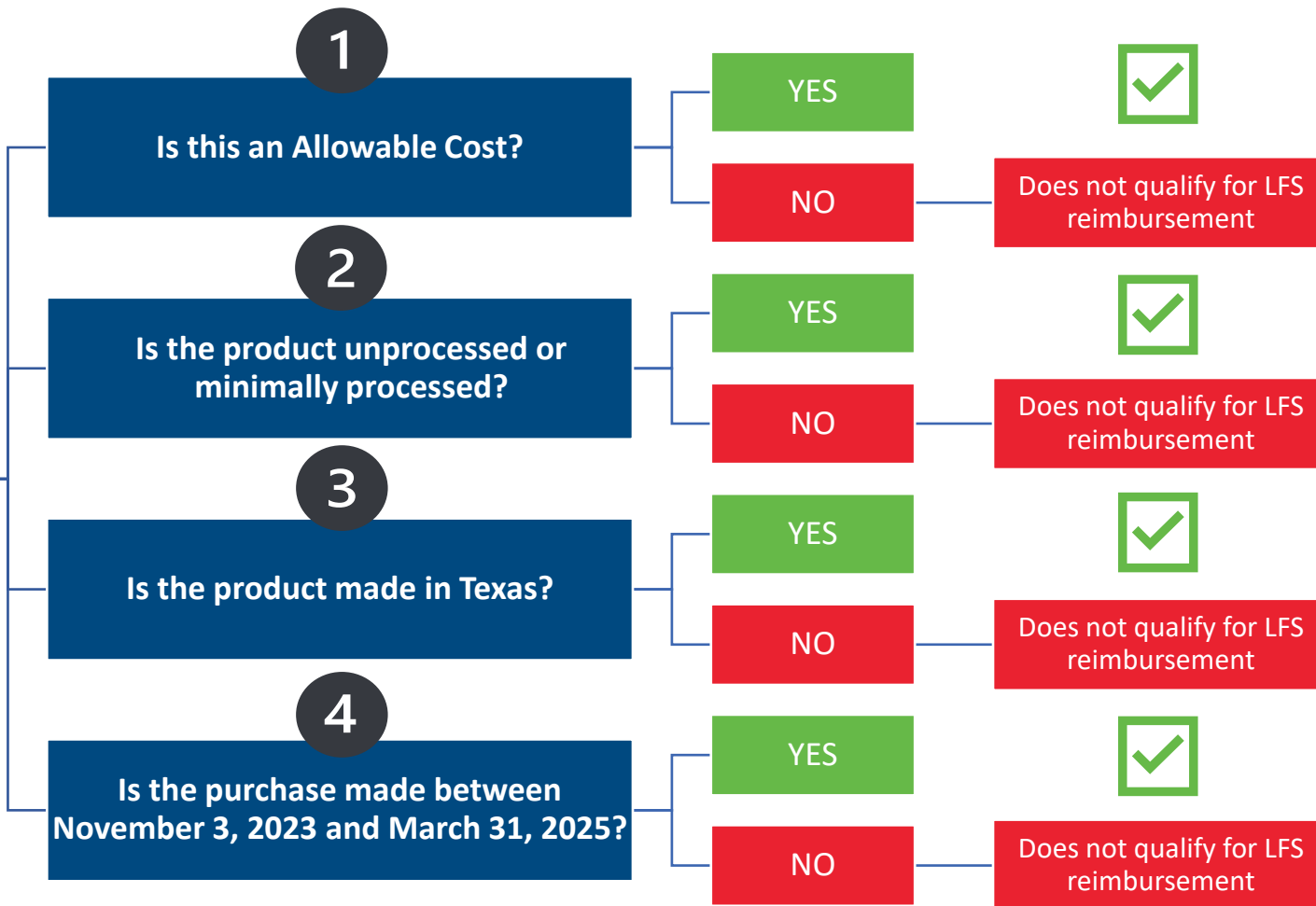




LFS Purchase Criteria Evaluation



To qualify for reimbursement, ALL criteria questions must be answered "YES".

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LFS Costs

Allowable:

- Direct food costs
- Storage and transportation costs of Texas food products

Unallowable:

- Direct or indirect costs associated with developing and administering the program

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Unprocessed or Minimally Processed Products

Allowable:

- Whole foods
- Minimally processed or unprocessed foods
- Minimally processed states: whole, cut, pureed
- Minimally processed forms: fresh, frozen, dried, canned

Unallowable:

- Processed foods
- Baked goods
- Pre-packaged meals
- Ready-to-eat or prepared foods
- Foods with added spices, flavorings

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Texas Local Products

For the purposes of this grant, to be considered an allowable purchase, the "local or regional," food item must be from Texas. TDA requires the Farmers/ Ranchers/ Producers' food to be raised, produced, aggregated, stored, processed, and distributed in the state of Texas.

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LFS Purchase Period

Funds may be used for qualifying purchases starting November 3, 2023 through March 31, 2025.



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