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RELEASE: SFSP/SSO Extreme Heat/Poor Air Quality Non-Congregate Waiver

TDA has received approval from USDA to approve SFSP and SSO operators in good standing to serve non-congregate meals at outdoor SFSP or SSO sites when one or both of the following have occurred in the area where the site is located:

- **The National Weather Service (NWS)** issues a Heat Advisory, Excessive Heat Warning, or Excessive Heat Watch
- **The Environmental Protection Agency** has issued a purple flag or higher, air-quality warning for the area

The Waiver Request to Serve Summer Non-Congregate Meals in Cases of Extreme Heat/Poor Air Quality must be used to report non-congregate meals served under this waiver. While the form can be submitted after the service occurs, TDA will review and approve all requests and supporting documentation. If TDA determines that the applicable weather advisory was not issued or that the sponsor did not meet all requirements as noted below, TDA will notify the sponsor that any non-congregate meals must not be claimed for reimbursement.

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TANS Update

TANS implementation timelines have changed since the publishing of this article. Please visit the [TANS SquareMeals page](#) for the most current information.



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