

## Retailer Notice

# Oklahoma Bans Soft Drinks and Candy from SNAP EBT

**Beginning February 15, 2026, Oklahoma SNAP retailers cannot accept SNAP EBT payments for soft drinks or candy.**

“Soft drinks” means any beverage marketed or sold as a soda, soft drink, sports drink, energy drink, flavored water, or juice drink containing less than 100% juice. This includes colas, sodas, teas, punches, lemonades, sports or energy beverages, flavored waters, and fruit drinks that are not 100% juice. Soft drinks do not include: milk or milk substitutes, plain coffee in any form (beans, ground, instant, brewed), plain bottled water, 100% fruit juice, or beverages prepared at home.

“Candy” means any product marketed or sold as candy, including but not limited to chocolate bars, gummies, caramels, taffy, licorice, mints, chewing gum, or similar confections such as candy bars or any products with wafers, cookies, or flour components. Candy also includes non-bakery items that are dipped, coated, or covered in chocolate, yogurt, or other candy coating.

You will need to comply with these changes. **If you do not comply, FNS may withdraw your SNAP authorization, and you will no longer be able to accept SNAP EBT.**

For more information on Oklahoma’s SNAP Food Restrictions, please visit the Oklahoma Department of Human Services’ [SNAP Retailer webpage](#).

If you have questions, please contact [ebtsnap@okdhs.org](mailto:ebtsnap@okdhs.org).

To learn more, please review the [Oklahoma SNAP Food Restriction Waiver](#). For a complete list of states implementing similar changes, visit USDA’s [SNAP Food Restriction Waivers](#).

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