

SSO/SFSP Operations Before and After COVID-19			
Provision	Typical Program Rules	Current COVID-19 Flexibilities	Waiver Expiration Date
Congregate (Group) Meal Service	Congregate meal service required (children must be served & eat on site in a supervised setting)	USDA granted a nationwide waiver from congregate requirement as well as states' individually requested and approved waivers. Parent may pick up meal on child's behalf with verification of eligible child.	Nationwide Waiver - August 31, 2020
Meals Reimbursed	Per child per day, up to: - Breakfast + lunch/supper OR - Any one meal + snack *Different for camps and migrant sites	Daily limits still in effect. Sites permitted to serve meals for multiple days at the same time but must still comply with daily limits	*Included in Meal Time Waiver - August 31, 2020
Meal Times	Service times must be established for each meal and only one meal may be served during each service time. SFSP: 3 hours must elapse between the beginning of one meal service, including snacks, and the beginning of another meal service, except that 4 hours must elapse between lunch and supper if no snack is served. SO: breakfast must be served in the morning; lunch must be served 10am-2pm; supper service must begin before 7pm and end by 8pm;	Federal meal time restrictions have been waived for SFSP and SSO, allowing states to approve more than one meal being served at a time. With approval, sites may distribute meals for multiple days at one time, up to one week. Meal distribution or delivery times must still be established.	Nationwide Waiver - August 31, 2020
Site Eligibility	Open sites: located in eligible areas with more than 50% free/reduced-price eligible based on school or census data. Closed enrolled sites: more than 50% of enrolled participants must be documented as free/reduced-price eligible. *Different for camps and migrant sites	Open sites may be established in areas with less than 50% FRP eligibility but the meals must still be targeted to "children in need." Site must be granted approval from DHSS to operate as "open."	MO Waiver - June 30, 2020
Meal Pattern	SFSP: see the meal pattern https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/meal-patterns SSO: same as NSLP	FNS provided guidance to states stating waivers may be given on a case-by-case basis if operators cannot source items needed to meet requirements, including milk.	MO Waiver - May 31, 2020
Parent/Guardian Meal Pick-up	Meals may only be distributed to a child ages 18 and younger.	Meals may be distributed to parents or guardians to take home to children.	Nationwide Waiver - August 31, 2020
CACFP Sponsor Monitoring Requirement			MO Waiver - June 30, 2020

Sources:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/disaster/pandemic/covid-19/missouri#cn>

<http://bestpractices.nokidhungry.org/resource/comparison-usual-summer-and-afterschool-meal-requirements-current-covid-19-flexibilities>