09 Self Employment Verification

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The participant must provide verification of self employment income and expenses.

To be eligible for the CA NA <u>self employment expense deduction</u> only one expense must be verified.

EXCEPTION

Self Employment income due to farming uses actual expenses and has special budgeting procedures. (See Farming)

Follow the <u>verification process</u> when verifying income and expenses. This verification may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Bookkeeping records
- Business ledgers listing income amounts received and expenses incurred
- Actual receipts
- Contracts for work
- Statements from patrons and companies
- Most recent Internal Revenue Service U.S. Individual Tax Return (1040) form. Below are common IRS Schedule forms that the participant may provide in addition to the 1040:

Schedule C, Profit or Loss From Business

- NOTE The gross income from line 1 is annualized to determine a monthly amount.
- Schedule E, Supplemental Income and Loss
- Schedule F, Profit or Loss from Farming

Schedule K-1, Partner's Share of Current Year Income, Deductions, Credits, and Other Items income tax returns

- NOTE The most recent IRS 1040 and Schedule forms are acceptable as verification of self employment income and expenses when the participant indicates it accurately reflects the participant's current income.
- Rent or mortgage receipt for business property

- Property tax statements for business property
- Utility costs
- Cleaning cost bills
- Business location and equipment maintenance
- Personal records indicating personnel salaries or costs of outside labor, such as cancelled checks and payroll checks
 - NOTE For CA and NA, a <u>participant statement</u> may be used to verify self employment expenses.

Have the participant sign the Authority to Release (FA-059) form to contact any companies or businesses involved.

When <u>self employment expenses</u> are not verified using the verification process, determine eligibility without those deductions.