

B Assigning Nutrition Assistance Approval Periods

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FAA must ensure approval periods are assigned based on the budgetary unit's circumstances. (See Example [When an Approval Period Needs to be Changed](#).)

AZTECS automatically assigns Nutrition Assistance (NA) approval periods based on the budgetary unit's circumstances using the following criteria:

- A 36-month approval period is assigned to the following budgetary units:
 - [The Elderly Simplified Application Project \(ESAP\)](#)
 - [The Arizona Simplified Nutrition Assistance Program \(AZSNAP\)](#)
- A 24-month approval period is assigned when all of the following apply:
 - No budgetary unit participant receives earned income or self-employment income
 - All budgetary unit participants that are under age 60 have a disability that meets the NA program criteria (See [Elderly or Has a Disability](#))

NOTE Budgetary units with a 24-month approval period are assigned to [Standard Reporting](#).

- All other budgetary units are assigned a 12-month approval period and are assigned to [Simplified Reporting](#).