



Minor Living Arrangement: Eligibility and Exemptions

State	<u>Eligible for TANF if living with parent or:</u>				<u>Exemptions from adult supervision rule</u>			
	With adult relative or guardian	With supervisory adult	"Independently" in approved arrangement	State defines "best interest" exemptions	No supervised slot available	Successfully living on own	About to turn 18	Other
Totals	50	48	28 Yes 6 No 16 Not explicit	29 Yes 21 No	10	9	3	21
Alabama	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					No living parent or legal guardian; whereabouts of parent or guardian unknown; minor parent's parental rights have been terminated; parents refuse to allow minor to live at home; minor had lived apart from parent for one year before either the birth of the child or the date of the TANF application; physical or emotional health or safety risks; parent lives outside of Alabama; or minor would be financially or legally penalized for breaking a lease if the minor parent returned to parents' home			
Arizona	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arkansas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Minor parent's current living situation is deemed appropriate; minor parent has no parent, legal guardian, or other appropriate adult relative of his or her own or whose whereabouts are known			

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California	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Minor has no living parent or legal guardian; minor's parent/guardian's whereabouts are unknown; parent/guardian will not allow the minor to live in the home; Child Protective Services worker determines it is not safe for the minor parent and child(ren) to live with parent/guardian; minor parent has lived away from parent/guardian for 12 months prior to the birth of minor's youngest dependent child; minor is legally emancipated			
Colorado	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Connecticut	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delaware	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dist of Columbia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Florida	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Georgia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hawaii	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Idaho	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Illinois	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					No parent or legal guardian allows the minor to live in his or her home; minor lived independently for one year prior to child being born or applying for aid; physical or mental health of teen or her child would be jeopardized by living with parent or guardian; and other good cause, including: parent or guardian lives out of state, parent or guardian in an institution, parent or guardian is substance abuser, teen and child returning to home of parent or guardian would cause lease or local health and safety standards to be violated, minor parent placed in independent living by child welfare agency, and minor parent is in licensed substance abuse program			
Indiana	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Iowa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Parent or guardian of the minor parent is deceased, missing, or living in another state; minor parent's health or safety would be jeopardized if s/he lived with the parent or guardian; minor parent is in an independent foster care arrangement; minor parent is participating in the Job Corps solo parent program or independent living program; other good cause exists for the minor parent to receive TANF assistance while living apart from the minor parent's parent or guardian			
Kansas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Minor is emancipated; parents of the minor are institutionalized or the minor has no parent who is living or whose whereabouts are known and there is no other caretaker who is willing to assume parental control; the health and safety of the minor has been or would be jeopardized by remaining in the household with the minor's parents or other caretakers. Such status must be documented by an independent source such as social services, law enforcement, religious authorities, or a domestic violence shelter			
Kentucky	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Broad "best interest" standard			

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Louisiana	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Lived apart one year before birth of child or before applying for TANF; physical or emotional health or safety would be jeopardized; adult absent or out of state; would violate lease; adult would lose substance abuse treatment; court order precludes; parent did not provide adequate necessities for the child			
Maine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					No living parent; parents' whereabouts unknown; no parent will permit the individual to live with them; the Department has determined that the physical or emotional health or safety of the minor parent or her child would be jeopardized if they lived with the parent(s); minor parent has lived apart from her parent(s) for at least a year prior to the child's birth; minor parent has another good cause for not residing with either parent (this exception must be approved by the Program Manager)			
Maryland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Massachusetts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Minor parent was in the custody of the Department of Social Services (child protective service), is a graduate of a DSS independent living program, is making satisfactory educational progress, and is approved by DSS			
Michigan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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					There is no living parent, other adult relative, or legal guardian whose whereabouts are known; no parent, adult relative, or legal guardian allows the minor parent live in the home; the minor parent has lived apart from his/her parent or legal guardian for at least one year before either application or the birth or the child; the physical or emotional health or safety of the minor parent or child would be jeopardized if they lived with the minor parent's parent, relative, or guardian; an adult supervised supportive living arrangement isn't available in the county where the minor parent resides			
Mississippi	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Missouri	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Minor parent has no parent or legal guardian who is living or the whereabouts of the parent of guardian is unknown; no living parent or legal guardian of the minor parent allows the minor parent to live in his or her home; the Division of Family Services determines that the physical or emotional health of safety of the minor parent of dependent child would be jeopardized; the minor parent lived apart from any parent or legal guardian for a period of at least one year prior to the birth of the dependent child or applying for benefits; there is otherwise good cause for the minor parent and dependent child to receive assistance while living apart from a parent or adult relative or in a adult supervised supportive living arrangement.			
Montana	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					No available adult supervised slot; concern about or reported abuse/neglect by current caretaker; alcohol/drug abuse by current caretaker; no caretaker willing to be responsible for the minor			
Nebraska	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Nevada	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Hampshire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Jersey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Mexico	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
New York	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
North Carolina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
North Dakota	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

When "there is otherwise good cause"

The availability of child care at or near the individual's residence which allows the teen to take part in educational activities; involvement in educational activities; other persons living in the dwelling unit

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Minor parent has no living parent or guardian; no parent or guardian will allow the minor parent to live there; physical or mental health of the minor parent or child would be jeopardized; minor has earned a high school diploma or GED or is in postsecondary education under an employability plan; whereabouts of the minor's parents or guardian or unknown. In order to live independently, the minor parent must live apart from their parent or guardian for a least one year before the earlier of the birth of the child or the minor's parent's application for TANF

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Ohio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Oklahoma	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Oregon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pennsylvania	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rhode Island	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
South Carolina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
South Dakota	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennessee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					<p>Minor has been emancipated; minor lived on own for some time before the birth of the child</p> <p>No permanent housing available or there is housing overcrowding; parent/caretaker abuses drugs/alcohol; minor parent is a runaway; parent, adult relative or legal guardian will not assume responsibility for the minor parent, is not able to exercise control and supervision because of emotional, financial or other limits, lives in another area and it is not practical for minor parent to reside in that location for reasons such as attendance in school, substance abuse treatment, or employment; physical or emotional health or safety of minor parent or her child would be jeopardized by returning to the home; other exemptions if the welfare department determines it is in the best interest of the minor parent and her child</p> <p>Good cause due to harm</p> <p>No caretaker is willing to be responsible for the minor parent; housing overcrowding; caretaker abuses drugs/alcohol. The Department determines after investigation that there is good cause for the separate living arrangement and the health or safety of the applicant or the dependent children would be jeopardized</p>			

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Texas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Current living arrangement provides as much or more safety, and emotional and financial security as a local adult-supervised facility			
Utah	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vermont	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not explicit	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Emancipated by court order; 17 years old and living on own and self-supporting for 6 months prior to either birth of child or date of application; lives with minor father and his family and both teens are age 16 or older			
Virginia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Washington	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
West Virginia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wisconsin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wyoming	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>