



Time Limit Extension Criteria (Part 2 of 2)

As of October 1999

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Totals (unduplicated)	2 No time limit 5 No extensions 3 No policy yet	7	7	18	14	24
Alabama	60-month lifetime	No extensions				
Alaska	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disabled child	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arizona	No lifetime limit 24 in 60 months	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to two four-month extensions to complete education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Arkansas	24-month lifetime	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		If parent /caretaker complied with all TEA requirements and is within six months of completing current education or training program				
		Other: 1) Caring for child under age 3 months; 2) Child at risk of neglect; 3) Child care or other services unavailable; 4) Unemployable; 5) Third trimester of pregnancy; 6) Special circumstances				
California	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Caretaker age 60 or older; 2) Nonparent caretaker relative is responsible for child who is ward of court or county determines that child is at risk of placement in foster care, and caretaking responsibilities are beyond those considered normal day-to-day parenting such that they impair caretaker's ability to be work regularly or participate in work activities				
Colorado	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Disabled child				
		Other: 1) Children living with nonparents for whom out-of-home placement would be necessary if assistance were stopped; 2) Other reasons				

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Connecticut	21-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: Circumstances beyond control of family				
Delaware	No lifetime limit					
	96 months of ineligibility after 48 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Unemployable; 2) Child care or other services unavailable				
Dist of Columbia	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Florida	48-month lifetime	No extensions				
	24 in 60 or 36 in 72 months	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Special circumstances; 2) Child likely to be placed in emergency shelter or foster care; 3) Extension of 1 month for each month of unsubsidized public or private employment since October 1996				
Georgia	48-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: Mental illness, emotional trauma, mental retardation, or natural disaster				
Hawaii	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Idaho	24-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Illinois	60-month lifetime	No extensions				
Indiana	24-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Child care included in self-sufficiency plan is unavailable; 2) Circumstances beyond individual's control that result in inability to obtain or retain employment, if individual has cooperated and complied				
Iowa	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kansas	60-month lifetime	No extensions				
Kentucky	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Job loss within 30 days of reaching 60-month limit (3-month extension); 2) Grandparent caring for child who would otherwise be placed in foster care				

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Louisiana	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assistance continues for the incapacitated individual only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assistance continues for the incapacitated individual only	<input type="checkbox"/>
	24 in 60 months	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To be completed within one year, and job-related	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parish unemployment rate exceeded 10% the previous October 1 (or for 3 months since) or no local employers hiring	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assistance continues for the incapacitated individual only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assistance continues for the incapacitated individual only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: 1) Child care temporarily unavailable; 2) Single parent in third trimester of pregnancy; 3) Special circumstances
Maine	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maryland	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Massachusetts	No lifetime limit					
	24 in 60 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Agency may grant extension based on criteria which include 1) whether recipient has rejected or quit a job; 2) the degree to which recipient has complied with work related activities; 3) local job opportunities; 4) whether suitable child care is available.

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Michigan	No time limit					
Minnesota	60-month lifetime	No extensions				
Mississippi	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: Caretaker age 60 or older				
Missouri	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Montana	60-month lifetime	No policy yet				
Nebraska	No lifetime limit					
	24 in 48 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Unemployable; 2) Necessary services unavailable; 3) At caseworker discretion				

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Nevada	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	12 months of ineligibility after 24 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Single parent caring for a child under age one month; 2) Caretaker over age 60; 3) Six-month extension may be granted if likelihood of self-sufficiency would be significantly increased; 4) Other circumstances on case by case basis deemed by social welfare manager to be hardship				
New Hampshire	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Jersey	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Other: Necessary services unavailable					
New Mexico	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Other: Unemployable					
New York	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Only for a child disabled as a result of domestic violence					

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North Carolina	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	36 months of ineligibility after 24 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Available employment does not meet basic requirements of health and safety as determined by county board; 2) Family crisis or change including but not limited to the death of a spouse, parent, or child				
North Dakota	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			Per federal Indian Country provision			
		Other: 1) Child at risk of neglect; 2) Caretaker age 60 or older				
Ohio	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	24 months of ineligibility after 36 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Oklahoma	60-month lifetime	No extensions				
Oregon	No lifetime limit					
	24 in 84 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: 1) Primary wage earner in two-parent family dies; 2) Child living with caretaker who was not in filing group for months counted				

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Pennsylvania	60-month lifetime	No policy yet				
Rhode Island	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
South Carolina	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	24 in 120 months	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Up to 6 months for participation in training program that leads to self-sufficiency; extensions after 6 months at discretion of County Director				
		Other: Child care or other services unavailable				
South Dakota	60-month lifetime	No policy yet				

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Tennessee	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If county unemployment rate is twice the state average	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	3 months of ineligibility after 18 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If county unemployment rate is twice the state average	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Texas	60-month lifetime	No policy yet				
	60 months of ineligibility after 12, 24 or 36 months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> List of "hardship" counties (high unemployment) is reviewed every three months	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Utah	36-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other: Families working at least 80 hours in month 36 and have worked at least 80 hours in each of five other months within last 24 months, and expected to continue working at least 80 hours in future months. Total months of assistance including extensions limited to 60.						
Vermont	No time limit					

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Virginia	60-month lifetime	No extensions				
	24 months of ineligibility after 24 months	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To be completed within one year and participant maintains satisfactory performance. No extension if previously sanctioned for failure to participate in activities or if sanctioned more than once for any other reason.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local unemployment rate of at least 10% in past two quarters. No extension if previously sanctioned for failure to participate in activities or if sanctioned more than once for any other reason.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Washington	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
West Virginia	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wisconsin	60-month lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Other: Unemployable, defined as "low achievement ability, learning disability, emotional problems of such severity that they prevent the participant from obtaining or retaining unsubsidized employment, but are not sufficient to meet SSDI or SSI requirements; or family problems of such severity that they prevent the W-2 group member from obtaining or retaining unsubsidized employment."				

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Wyoming	60-month lifetime	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <p data-bbox="632 355 919 561">For up to one year, if within one year of completing postsecondary degree and enrolled for the number of hours required for graduation</p> <p data-bbox="632 578 1409 602">Other: Extension for up to one year if recipient claims abandonment</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>