

90-100.6. AGE REQUIREMENTS

A. Policy Aid shall be provided under the GR program to all eligible adults age 18 through 64 with the exceptions noted, below. Verification of age shall not be required.

B. Minors Minors (under age 18) are not eligible to receive GR unless the minor:

- Is married
- Was married and is now divorced or separated (but not annulled)
- Was emancipated by court order
- Is under the supervision of a Social Worker and the Social Worker recommends approval to receive GR
- Is approved to receive aid for Transportation to Resource
- Is a CalWORKs recipient who is affected by the Maximum Family Grant (MFG) rules and is in a zero-grant CalWORKs case

Minors shall be required to provide verification of marriage, divorce, or emancipation, if applicable, in order to establish eligibility for GR. These types of verification shall be clearly documented in the case record. Minors living in the home of a parent or stepparent shall be denied GR, and CalWORKs shall be deemed an available resource, unless they are an MFG child in a zero-grant CalWORKs case. Minors ineligible to CalWORKs due to ineligibility under the Maximum Family Grant requirement are ineligible to GR unless the CalWORKs case is receiving a zero-grant. E through I, below, provides the requirements for MFG children in a zero-grant CalWORKs case.

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C. Adults Age 18 Applicants age 18 years old, living in the home of their parent or stepparent, may be included as part of the CalWORKs case, only if the parent or stepparent so chooses. However, the 18 year old must meet the following criteria:

- Must not have graduated from high school;
- Must be attending high school or vocational/technical training on a full-time basis (as defined by the school); and
- Must be expected (by the school) to graduate high school or complete the vocational/technical training before age 19.

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Adults Age 18
(continued) The 18 year old should be advised of possible inclusion in the CalWORKs case if the parent wishes to include the 18 year old and the above criteria is met.

D. Adults Age 19 to 20 Applicants age 19 and 20 living with a parent or stepparent are not eligible for inclusion in the CalWORKs case. CalWORKs shall not be considered a resource for any of these applicants.

E. Adults Age 65 and Older Eligible adults age 65 and older shall not be granted GR unless approved by the FRC Manager. These applicants may be eligible to receive SSI/SSP. However, in some circumstances the applicant may not yet be in receipt of SSI/ SSP or may not yet have applied. These applicants may be eligible to receive aid under the Interim Assistance Program (IAP); if otherwise eligible to GR. Applicants who are not eligible to SSI/SSP (for example, alien status) may also be eligible to receive aid under the IAP, if they meet the IAP criteria and are otherwise eligible to GR. When approved by the FRC Manager, these applicants will be granted benefits under the appropriate aid type (for example, IAP, Employable, or Incapacitated).

F. MFG Children Children who are affected by the CalWORKs MFG rules are eligible for GR only if all of the following requirements are met:

- All age-appropriate immunizations have been received (see [CalWORKs Program Guide 42-100.J](#));
- Is attending school full-time (see [G](#) through [H](#), below); and
- The parent(s) have signed a lien against all current and future property as the responsible relative of the child.

Verification of immunization and school attendance must be verified at application and redetermination.

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**G.
Regular
School
Attendance**

Regular school attendance is defined as no more than 9 unexcused absences during the school year.

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**H.
Determination
of Regular
School
Attendance**

The worker must review the absence information using the most recent report card/progress report or the school attendance verification form, 07-31 HHSA.

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there are 9 or fewer unexcused absences during the school year,	child is considered in "regular attendance."
the report card/progress report does not indicate specific attendance information,	worker must request the parent submit a form 07-31 HHSA to the school to determine the number of unexcused absences.
the report card/progress report includes a note from a teacher, school official, or counselor stating the child is not regularly attending school,	
the report card/progress report does not specify absences as excused/unexcused and the number of absences are more than 9 for the school year,	
the report card/progress report appears to have been altered,	
information is received from a third party that a child is not attending school,	

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**I.
Quarterly
Reporting**

Parent(s) of MFG children who are receiving GR must complete a quarterly report. The worker must also review CalWIN to ensure that the CalWORKs case still has a zero grant.

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