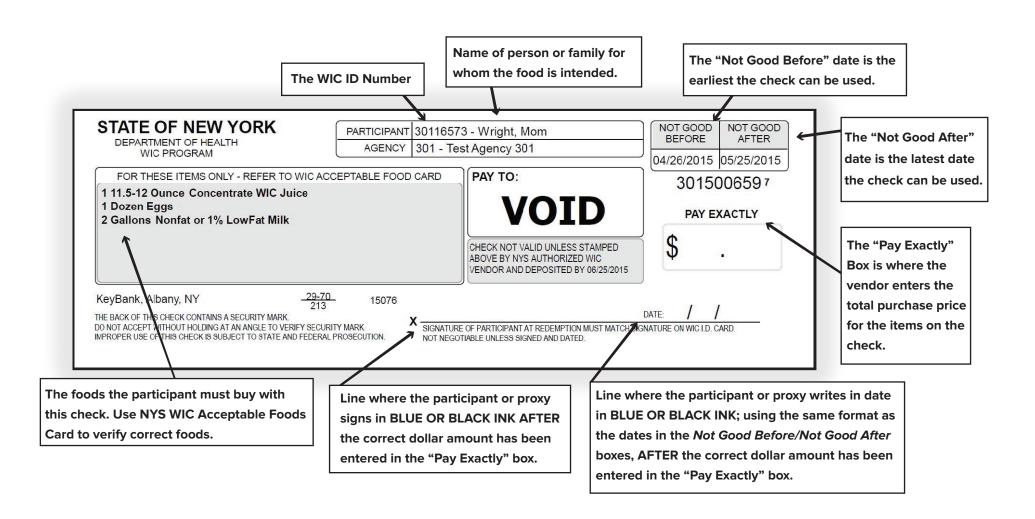
THE WIC CHECK



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Important Tips

- It is preferred that checks are dated MM/DD/YYYY (Example: 04/12/2015).
- It is also okay to use other date formats common in the United States (Examples: 4/12/15, 04/12/15).
- It is not ok to use words to write the month (Example: April 12, 2015).
- If a participant or proxy makes a mistake dating the check, the participant/proxy should put a line through the date, initial and write the correct date above the mistake.
- A date stamp may not be used to "date" the check.

DO NOT SIGN AND DATE YOUR WIC CHECKS UNTIL **AFTER** THE CASHIER WRITES YOUR TOTAL ON THE CHECK.



BEFORE YOU SHOP, MAKE SURE YOU HAVE:

- Your WIC ID card.
- The WIC Program Acceptable Foods Card.
- Your UNSIGNED WIC checks with valid dates.



WHILE SHOPPING:

- Look carefully at what is listed on the check.
- Use the WIC Program Acceptable Foods Card to help you select WIC approved foods on your check.
- Your WIC check will tell you how many (1 container) and the size (64 ounces) of each product you get.



BEFORE CHECKOUT:

• Have all the foods listed on each check.



WHILE SHOPPING:

- Do **not** use express, cash only, or self-checkout lanes.
- Place your WIC items on the checkout counter grouped together by check.
- Place the matching unsigned WIC check on top of each group of these items.
- Tell the cashier you will be using your WIC checks.
- · Never pre-sign your WIC checks.
- After the cashier writes the total cost in the PAY EXACTLY box, sign and date the check in BLUE OR BLACK INK.

READY? SET? START SHOPPING!