



Memorandum

2020-21 Distribution Periods

July 2020

To: Food Service Directors (Area K/W)
From: NYS Office of General Services
Food Distribution Memo 2020-21 #010

The ten monthly distribution periods and the Order Request due dates for School Year 2020-21 are as follows:

Month	Order Request Due Date	Distribution Period
September	08/21/2020	9/8/2020 - 9/18/2020
October	09/16/2020	10/5/2020 - 10/16/2020
November	10/16/2020	11/2/2020 - 11/13/2020
December	11/20/2020	12/7/2020 - 12/18/2020
January	12/18/2020	1/4/2021 - 1/15/2021
February	01/15/2021	2/1/2021 - 2/12/2021
March	02/12/2021	3/1/2021 - 3/12/2021
April	03/19/2021	4/5/2021 - 4/16/2021
May	04/16/2021	5/3/2021 - 5/14/2021
June	05/14/2021	6/7/2021 - 6/11/2021

Place orders at: <https://ogs.ny.gov/usda-food-distribution>

Order Request due dates are **firm**. You are responsible to ensure that your request is submitted on or before these dates. You are also responsible for tracking your entitlement. The ordering system will automatically cut you off once you exceed your entitlement, plus 5%.

Please be reminded that once USDA Foods leave the Brentwood Distribution Center (BDC), they become the responsibility of the Recipient Agency (RA). OGS Food Distribution will hold the Recipient Agency responsible for the value of the USDA Foods at all times and may subsequently charge the Recipient Agency if at any time the USDA Foods become unwholesome due to improper transportation or storage.

If a Recipient Agency utilizes the services of a commercial trucking company, an agreement must be in place stating that the value of the USDA Foods are insured and clarifying responsibilities if the USDA Foods are not going to be delivered on the same day they are picked up from the DDC. The agreement must also include the trucking company's disclosure regarding how and where the USDA Foods are to be stored, prior to delivery to the Recipient Agency, and how they will maintain the safety and integrity of the food.

Trucking companies are required to utilize temperature-controlled vehicles while transporting all USDA Foods. Any trucking company arriving to pick up refrigerated or frozen USDA Foods, without refrigerated units, will be rejected.