10A NCAC 43D .0703 is proposed for amendment as follows:

**10A NCAC 43D .0703  USE OF FOOD INSTRUMENTS AND CASH-VALUE VOUCHERSBENEFITS**

(a) Participants may transact food instruments and cash-value vouchers benefits on any day on or between the "First Date to Spend" and "Last Date to Spend" printed on the food instrument or cash-value voucher for their certification period.

(b) Food instruments and cash-value vouchers benefits shall be transacted only at authorized WIC vendors in accordance with the terms of the signed WIC Vendor Agreement and WIC program rules, regulations, and statutes. Authorized WIC vendors shall not be reimbursed for food instruments and cash-value vouchers benefits that are not properly transacted as set forth in Rule .0708 of this Section. Stores that are not authorized WIC vendors shall not be reimbursed for food instruments and cash-value vouchers transacted at their store.

(c) Printed food instruments and cash-value vouchers shall be deposited at the vendor's bank. Authorized WIC vendors that use EBT shall have their bank account credited with payments for completed EBT transactions. Food instruments and cash-value vouchers benefits shall not be assigned, transferred, sold, or otherwise negotiated.

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