

**MUNICIPALITY OF** Machias  
**GENERAL ASSISTANCE ORDINANCE**

Pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4305(1), the municipal officers of the Municipality of  
Machias, after notice and hearing, hereby amend the municipal General  
Assistance Ordinance by repealing and replacing appendices A through G of the existing  
ordinance with the attached appendices A through G, which shall be in effect from October 1,  
2022 through September 30, 2023. This amendment will be filed with the Maine Department of  
Health & Human Services (DHHS) pursuant to 22 M.R.S. § 4305(4), and a copy of the ordinance  
and amended appendices shall be available for public inspection at the municipal office along  
with a copy of the 22 M.R.S. chapter 1161.

Signed this 28th day of September, 2022, by the municipal officers:

Paula Johnson-Rolfe

(Print Name)

Paula Johnson-Rolfe

(Signature)

Leslie HAYNES

(Print Name)

Leslie H. Haynes

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## 2022-2023 GA MAXIMUMS SUMMARY SHEET

Note: The overall maximums found in *Appendices A, B, C, D, E, and F* are effective from **October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.**

### APPENDIX A - OVERALL MAXIMUMS

<u>County</u>	<u>Persons in Household</u>					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
<p><b>NOTE:</b> For each additional person add \$75 per month.</p> <p>(The applicable figures from Appendix A, <i>once adopted</i>, should be inserted here.)</p>						

### APPENDIX B - FOOD MAXIMUMS

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly Maximum</u>	<u>Monthly Maximum</u>
1	\$ 65.35	\$ 281.00
2	120.00	516.00
3	172.09	740.00
4	218.37	939.00
5	259.53	1,116.00
6	311.40	1,339.00
7	344.19	1,480.00
8	393.26	1,691.00
<p><b>NOTE:</b> For each additional person add \$211 per month.</p>		

### APPENDIX C - HOUSING MAXIMUMS

Number of Bedrooms	<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	144	621	172	741
1	144	621	172	741
2	176	755	224	961
3	221	951	280	1,204
4	233	1,001	306	1,304
<p>(The applicable figures from Appendix C, <i>once adopted</i>, should be inserted here.)</p>				

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## APPENDIX D - UTILITIES

### ELECTRIC

**NOTE:** For an electrically heated dwelling also see "Heating Fuel" maximums below. But remember, an applicant is *not automatically* entitled to the "maximums" established—applicants must demonstrate need.

1) **Electricity Maximums for Households *Without Electric Hot Water*:** The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, for lights, cooking and other electric uses *excluding* electric hot water and heat:

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
1	\$19.95	\$ 85.50
2	\$22.52	\$ 96.50
3	\$24.97	\$107.00
4	\$27.53	\$118.00
5	\$29.88	\$128.50
6	\$32.55	\$139.50

**NOTE:** For each additional person add \$10.50 per month.

2) **Electricity Maximums for Households *With Electrically Heated Hot Water*:** The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, hot water, for lights, cooking and other electric uses *excluding* heat:

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
1	\$29.63	\$127.00
2	\$34.07	\$146.00
3	\$39.67	\$170.00
4	\$46.32	\$198.50
5	\$55.65	\$238.50
6	\$58.68	\$251.50

**NOTE:** For each additional person add \$14.50 per month.

**NOTE:** For electrically heated households, the maximum amount allowed for electrical utilities per month shall be the sum of the appropriate maximum amount under this subsection and the appropriate maximum for heating fuel as provided below.

## APPENDIX E - HEATING FUEL

<u>Month</u>	<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Gallons</u>
September	50	January	225
October	100	February	225
November	200	March	125
December	200	April	125
		May	50

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**NOTE:** When the dwelling unit is heated electrically, the maximum amount allowed for heating purposes will be calculated by multiplying the number of gallons of fuel allowed for that month by the current price per gallon. When fuels such as wood, coal and/or natural gas are used for heating purposes, they will be budgeted at actual rates, if they are reasonable. No eligible applicant shall be considered to need more than 7 tons of coal per year, 8 cords of wood per year, 126,000 cubic feet of natural gas per year, or 1000 gallons of propane.

## **APPENDIX F - PERSONAL CARE & HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES**

<b><u>Number in Household</u></b>	<b><u>Weekly Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Monthly Amount</u></b>
1-2	\$10.50	\$45.00
3-4	\$11.60	\$50.00
5-6	\$12.80	\$55.00
7-8	\$14.00	\$60.00

**NOTE:** For each additional person add \$1.25 per week or \$5.00 per month.

## **SUPPLEMENT FOR HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN UNDER 5**

When an applicant can verify expenditures for the following items, a special supplement will be budgeted as necessary for households with children under 5 years of age for items such as cloth or disposable diapers, laundry powder, oil, shampoo, and ointment up to the following amounts:

<b><u>Number of Children</u></b>	<b><u>Weekly Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Monthly Amount</u></b>
1	\$12.80	\$55.00
2	\$17.40	\$75.00
3	\$23.30	\$100.00
4	\$27.90	\$120.00

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## **2022-2023 Mileage Rate**

This municipality adopts the State of Maine travel expense reimbursement rate as set by the Office of the State Comptroller. The current rate for approved employment and necessary medical travel etc. is 46 cents (46¢) per mile.

Please refer to the Office of the State Controller for changes to this rate at 626-8420 or visit <http://www.state.me.us/osc/>

# 2022-2023 GA Housing Maximums

## Recovery Residences

The following Recovery Residence maximums are in effect from 10/1/2022- 9/30/2023

### Non-Metropolitan FMR Areas

<u>Aroostook County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	128.63	551.25

<u>Franklin County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	132.13	566.25

<u>Hancock County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	158.90	681.00

<u>Kennebec County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	143.15	613.50

<u>Knox County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	145.43	623.25

<u>Lincoln County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	161.70	693.00

<u>Oxford County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	139.83	599.25

<u>Piscataquis County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	128.28	549.75

<u>Somerset County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	135.28	579.75

<u>Waldo County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	167.13	716.25

<u>Washington County</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	129.68	555.75

### Metropolitan FMR Areas

<u>Bangor HMFA</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	164.15	703.50

<u>Cumberland Cty. HMFA</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	185.15	793.50

<u>Lewiston/Auburn MSA</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	147.35	631.50

<u>Penobscot Cty. HMFA</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	135.63	581.25

<u>Portland HMFA</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	253.05	1084.50

<u>Sagadahoc Cty. HMFA</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	177.45	760.50

<u>York Cty. HMFA</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	186.38	798.75

<u>York/Kittery/S. Berwick HMFA</u>	<u>Recovery Residence Rates</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	223.30	957.00

SNAP STANDARDS										
NUMBER IN HH		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	ADD
GROSS 200%	Jul. 2022	2,265	3,052	3,839	4,625	5,412	6,199	6,985	7,772	787
GROSS 165%	Oct. 2021	1,771	2,396	3,020	3,644	4,268	4,893	5,517	6,141	625
GROSS 130%	Oct. 2021	1,396	1,888	2,379	2,871	3,363	3,855	4,347	4,839	492
NET 100%	Oct. 2021	1,074	1,452	1,830	2,209	2,587	2,965	3,344	3,722	379
MAX	Oct. 2021	250	459	658	835	992	1,190	1,316	1,504	188
SNAP DEDUCTIONS										
HH of 1-3 Standard Deductions	Oct. 2021	177	Full Standard (FSUA)					Mar. 2022	886	
HH of 4		184	Non-Heat Utility (NHUA)					Mar. 2022	299	
HH of 5		215	Telephone Only (PHUA)					Mar. 2022	51	
HH of 6 or More		246	2021 MAINE STATE Minimum Wage					12.15		
SHELTER CAP	Oct. 2021	597	2022 MAINE STATE Minimum Wage					12.75		
HOMELESS SHELTER	Oct. 2021	159.73	FEDERAL Minimum Wage					July 24, 2009	7.25	
CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE 1-2 MEMBER HH MINIMUM BENEFIT								Oct. 2021	20	
NON-CATEGORICAL ASSET TEST FOR FEDERALLY FUNDED SNAP (effective Jan 1, 2022)										
No HH members disabled/60+ years old			2,500	HH includes members disabled/60+ years old					3,750	
Per SNAP 333-1, households that qualify as Categorically Eligible have no asset limit.										

HOPE										
GROSS 185%		2,096	2,823	3,551	4,279	5,006	5,734	6,462	7,189	728

TANF STANDARDS effective October 1, 2021 - ALTERNATIVE AID STANDARDS effective January 1, 2022										
ADULT INCLUDED - BASIC										
NUMBER IN HH		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	ADD
ALT AID 133%	Jan. 2022	1,507	2,030	2,553	3,076	3,599	4,122	4,646	5,169	524
STANDARD OF NEED		362	569	763	960	1,153	1,348	1,544	1,740	195
BASIC MAX GRANT		298	469	628	791	948	1,108	1,270	1,431	160
ADULT INCLUDED - SPECIAL NEED										
SN STANDARD OF NEED		662	869	1,063	1,260	1,453	1,648	1,844	2,040	195
SN MAX GRANT		598	769	928	1,091	1,248	1,408	1,570	1,731	160
GAP										
MAXIMUM GAP		64	100	135	169	205	240	274	309	35
CHILD ONLY - BASIC										
NUMBER IN HH		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	ADD
STANDARD OF NEED		214	409	605	798	995	1,190	1,385	1,579	195
BASIC MAX GRANT		178	339	500	657	820	979	1,140	1,299	160
CHILD ONLY - SPECIAL NEED										
SN STANDARD OF NEED		514	709	905	1,098	1,295	1,490	1,685	1,879	195
SN MAX GRANT		478	639	800	957	1,120	1,279	1,440	1,599	160
GAP										
MAXIMUM GAP		36	70	105	141	175	211	245	280	35
STANDARD EARNINGS DISREGARD					108 and 1/2 the Remainder					
STEP DISREGARD, Step 1 (Months 1-3) see Chapter IV					100% of Earned Income					
STEP DISREGARD, Step 2 (Months 4-6) see Chapter IV					75% of Earned Income					
CHILD CARE CAP UNDER 2					200.00					
CHILD CARE CAP 2 AND OVER					175.00					