

Income Ceilings and Exemptions

NOVA SCOTIA

Program	Definition of Income	Exemptions
Provincial Social Assistance		
Available to:	Income includes:	Exemptions include:
disabled persons, needy families with dependent children where one spouse is dead, has deserted, is disabled, is absent or refuses or is unable to provide support, foster parents with foster children.	Old Age Security, Guaranteed Income Supplement, Old Age Assistance, Blind Persons Allowance, Disabled Persons Allowances, Unemployment Insurance, Workmen's Compensation, income from insurance, income from maintenance orders, income from alimony, income from wills and settlements, gross earnings, gross board receipts, gross room receipts, gross vocational training allowance, gross rental receipts from property, net profits from business, farming, fishing, lumbering,	50 per cent of gross earnings, 75 per cent of gross board receipts (provided exemption does not reduce the income from each boarder below \$10 per month), 20 per cent of gross room receipts, 50 per cent of vocational training allowances less adult board rate, if living away from home (except for disabled persons), 50 per cent of gross property rentals, 20 per cent of gross property rentals in recipient's residence, contributions under \$35 per month, 50 per cent contributions in excess of \$35 per month, Municipal Social Assistance, assistance from Indian Affairs. In assessing profit from business, expenses are deducted from gross receipts. Fifty per cent of the difference, being the value of the applicant's labour, is deducted with the balance being considered as net profit.