

173-39-02.2**Alternative meal service.**

(A) "Alternative meal service" means a service that sustains a consumer's health by enabling the consumer to procure up to two meals per day from a non-traditional provider, such as a restaurant.

(B) Requirements for an alternative meal service in addition to the conditions of participation under rule 173-39-02 of the Administrative Code:

(1) In general: Each meal that the provider furnishes shall comply with all the requirements for the home-delivered meal service under rule 173-39-02.14 of the Administrative Code, except for the requirements in that rule that pertain to the delivery of the meal.

(2) Provider qualifications:

(a) Only a non-agency provider who is certified under rule 173-39-02 of the Administrative Code shall provide the service.

(b) The provider shall maintain all appropriate vendor licenses.

(C) Unit and rate:

(1) A unit of an alternative meal service is one meal.

(2) The maximum rate allowable for one regular home-delivered meal is listed in rule 5101:3-1-06.1 of the Administrative Code.

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