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Are late fees/penalties on mortgages an allowable deduction for shelter expenses?

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No, such penalty fees for being late in making payments on utilities, mortgages and/or property taxes are not to be included as a shelter cost or part of a shelter cost under Section 273.9(d)(6) of the SNAP regulations. These penalties are not allowable as deductions for SNAP purpose.