

	Owner-Occupied Primary Residence Fixed Rate Only					
Transaction Type	Units	LTV/CLTV	Maximum Loan Amount <sup>1</sup>	Credit Score <sup>3</sup>	Maximum DTI <sup>4</sup> Fixed and ARM	Reserves (months/PITI)
	1-Unit SFR	90%	\$1,000,000 <sup>5,8</sup>	720	85.01-90% LTV: 40% 80.01-85% LTV: 43%	18
	Condo	<mark>85%</mark>	1		43%	
Purchase Only	1-Unit SFR	90%	\$1,500,000 <sup>5,8</sup>	740	85.01-90% LTV: 40% 80.01-85% LTV: 43%	<mark>24</mark>
	Condo	<mark>85%</mark>			<mark>43%</mark>	
			\$1,000,000 <sup>5</sup> \$1,500,000 <sup>5</sup>			6 12
Purchase / Rate & Term Refinance	1-4 Units <sup>6</sup>		\$2,000,000 2,5	700	43%	12
		80%	\$1,000,000 <sup>5</sup>	<mark>700</mark>		6
	1-4	80%	\$1,500,000 <sup>5</sup>	<mark>720</mark>		12
Cash-Out <sup>7</sup>	Units <sup>6</sup>	75%	\$2,000,000 <sup>2,5</sup>	<mark>740</mark>	38%	12

#### Footnotes:

- For LTV's ≤ 80%, First time homebuyers maximum loan amount \$1,000,000 except in the states of CA, CT, NJ, and NY which are eligible up to \$1,500.000. Refer to the <u>Eligible Borrowers</u> section for complete first-time homebuyer requirements
- 2. Loan amounts > \$1,500,000 are considered on a case-by-case basis and require an exception approval from REMN WS Credit Committee, and two full underwrites.
- 3. Minimum FICO is based on lowest middle score of all borrowers on the loan
- 4. There are **no exceptions** to the maximum DTI.
- 5. Minimum loan amounts ≥ \$510,401 for 1-unit and \$1 above the conforming loan limits for the applicable number of units for 2-4 unit properties.
- 6. For 2-4 Unit properties, the maximum LTV/CLTV is lowered by 5% in all cases (e.g. 70% max LTV for a 1-unit property will require a 65% maximum LTV for 2-4 unit property). Also, minimum post-closing reserves for 2-4 units is 12 months PITIA or the reserve requirement listed in the above table, whichever is greater.
- 7. Maximum cash-out is \$250,000 but can be up to \$500,000 cash-out with a max LTV of 50%.
- 8. Loan transactions > 80% LTV are eligible for wage-earner/W-2 borrowers only; self-employed borrowers/co-borrowers are not eligible.





Second Home Fixed Rate Only						
Transaction Type	Units	LTV/CLTV	Loan Amount <sup>1,4</sup>	Credit Score <sup>2</sup>	Maximum DTI <sup>3</sup> Fixed and ARM	Reserves (months/PITI)
Purchase / Rate		80% <sup>5</sup>	\$1,000,000	720		
& Term		80%	\$1,500,000	740	43%	12
Refinance	1-Unit	75%	\$2,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	720		
		70%	\$1,000,000	<mark>720</mark>		40
Cash-Out <sup>5</sup>	1-Unit 8	70%	\$1,500,000	740	38%	12
		70%	\$2,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	<mark>740</mark>		18
	Investment <sup>6</sup> Fixed Rate Only					
Transaction Type	Units	LTV/CLTV	Loan Amount <sup>4</sup>	Credit Score <sup>2</sup>	Maximum DTI <sup>3</sup> Fixed	Reserves (Months/PITI)
		<mark>75%</mark>	\$1,000,000	<mark>700</mark>		
Purchase / Rate & Term	1-4 Units <sup>7</sup>	70%	\$1,500,000	<mark>720</mark>		
Refinance		70%		<mark>740</mark>	43%	12
		60%	\$2,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	<mark>720</mark>		

#### Footnotes:

- 1. Loan amounts > \$1,500,000 are considered on a case-by-case basis and require an exception approval from REMN WS Credit Committee, and two full underwrites.
- 2. Minimum FICO is based on lowest middle score of all borrowers on the loan
- 3. There are **no exceptions** to the maximum DTI.
- 4. Minimum loan amounts ≥ \$510,401 for 1-unit and \$1.00 above the conforming loan limits for the applicable number of units for 2-4-unit properties.
- 5. Maximum cash-out is \$250,000, but can be up to \$500,000 cash-out with a max LTV of 50%
- 6. Investment transactions are subject to the following:
  - First time homebuyer ineligible
  - Non-permanent Resident Alien ineligible
  - Must be an arm's length transaction
  - Gift funds not allowed
  - Appraiser must provide comparable rent schedule
  - If using rental income, an executed lease agreement must be provided; see Rental Income requirements in the Income/Employment section for more details
  - Florida condominiums limited to a maximum 50% LTV/CLTV/HCLTV
  - 7. For 2-4 Unit properties, the maximum LTV/CLTV is lowered by 5% in all cases (e.g. 70% max LTV for a 1-unit property will require a 65% maximum LTV for 2-4-unit property).
  - 8. Second Home Cash-Out Refinance on a Condo unit is limited to 60% maximum LTV/CLTV.

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	PRODUCT OVERVIEW
Cavid 40 Tamasana	» Verifications of Employment (VOE)
Covid_19 Temporary Flexibilities	<ul> <li>Will follow documentation requirements per the Fannie/Freddie Covid_19 updates</li> </ul>
Texibilities	<ul> <li>The verification must be from a reasonably reliable third-party (i.e. bank statements, paystub, email from</li> </ul>
	employer) within 30 days pre-consummation in order to meet Appendix Q requirements.
	» Self-Employment Income Documentation/Continuity of Income
	<ul> <li>will follow documentation requirements per the Fannie/Freddie Covid_19 updates.</li> </ul>
	» Appraisals
	<ul> <li>Exterior-only appraisal for the subject property would be considered on an exception basis, with interior photos being provided by another source. The aforementioned guideline exception must be submitted though the Product Help group for approval.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Exterior-only appraisals with no interior photos will not be accepted.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>If a 1004D/442 is required and cannot be obtained by the appraiser, the borrower's acknowledgement of completion of the repairs would be considered on a case-by-case basis. Please note that repairs that affect the safety &amp; soundness of a property will not be acknowledged.</li> </ul>
	» Transcripts - If an IRS-delivered transcript cannot be obtained:
	<ul> <li>Borrower-provided transcripts will be acknowledged</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Exception request via Product Help to be submitted to the investor if program guidelines require transcripts and borrower-provided transcripts have not been obtained.</li> </ul>
Available Markets	» All 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia
	» Guam, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands are ineligible.
	» Texas 50(a)(6) Equity Refinance transactions are not eligible at this time.
Eligible Transactions	» Purchase
Englishe Transactions	» Limited Cash-Out Refinance (Rate/Term)
	» Cash-out Refinance
Ineligible	» Interest-only
Transactions	» Loans with a prepayment penalty
	» Higher priced mortgage loan (HPML)
	» High cost mortgage loan
	» Texas 50(a)(6)
	» Higher-Priced Covered transactions
	» Negative amortization
	» Convertible ARMs
	» Temporary Buydowns
	» Balloon payments
	» Graduated payments
	» Non-traditional credit
	» Transactions where the property securing the loan is subject to a private transfer fee covenant created on or after Feb. 8, 2011 and the fee collected does not directly benefit the property.
	» Properties with a condition rating of C5/C6
	» Properties with a construction/quality rating of Q6
	» Refinance of a property that was listed for sale in the 6 months prior to loan application (12mos for a Cash-Out Refinance)
	» Transactions with a non-occupant co-borrower
Eligible Properties	» 1-4-unit owner- occupied (attached/detached)
	» 1-unit second home (refer to the Occupancy section for requirements)
	» 1-4-unit investment property (refer to the Occupancy section for requirements)
	» PUDs (attached/detached)
	» Condominiums (attached) - Fannie Mae warrantable.
	- Full Review allowed – warranty to Fannie Mae Full Review guidelines
	<ul> <li>Limited Review allowed for attached units in established condominium projects:</li> <li>Eligible transactions as per Fannie Mae guidelines</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Projects located in Florida are not eligible for limited review</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>New condominium projects require CPM acceptance or PERS approval.</li> </ul>
	- Projects with 2-4 units – no condominium review or condominium warranty is required. Fannie Mae basic
	requirements apply.
	» Detached Condominiums (including site condominiums) – no condominium review or condominium warranty is required.
	Fannie Mae basic requirements apply.  Medular/profebricated
	» Modular/prefabricated
	<ul> <li>Properties with leased solar panels are eligible subject to Fannie Mae guidelines</li> <li>Any solar panel system that includes a UCC filing associated with the property and/or will create an easement</li> </ul>
	on title is ineligible.

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Ineligible	» Limited Review for condominiums in state of Florida (must be Full Review)
Properties	» Non-warrantable condominiums
	» New or newly converted condominium projects without a PERS approval or CPM acceptance
	» New or newly converted condominium projects in Florida with a PERS approval
	» Property < 750 square feet with the exception of New York city which cannot be < 450 square feet
	» Cooperative projects
	» Manufactured/mobile homes. Manufactured housing is defined as any dwelling built on a permanent chassis. Manufactured homes are ineligible even if the towing hitch, wheels and axles have been removed.
	<ul> <li>Condo Hotels (projects managed or operated as hotel/motel, hotel/motel conversions)</li> <li>Condominium conversion</li> </ul>
	» Mixed use
	» Properties with Illegal Accessory Units
	» Leaseholds
	» Land Trusts
	» Properties subject to oil/gas leases
	» Agricultural Zoning
	» Hobby Farms
	» Model Home Leasebacks
	» Properties located in Hawaii Lava Zones 1 & 2
	» Log homes
	» Unique properties
	» Unimproved land
	» Timeshare units
	» Properties > 20 acres
	» Residential property zoned commercial
	» Agricultural-type properties e.g. farms, orchards, ranches
	» Commercial property
	» Properties located in areas where a valid security interest in the property cannot be obtained
	» Properties with a condition rating of C5/C6
	» Properties with a construction/quality rating of Q6
	<ul> <li>Properties with a private transfer fee covenant unless the covenant is excluded under 12CFR 1228</li> <li>as an excepted transfer fee covenant.</li> </ul>
	» Properties with solar panels that will include a UCC filing associated with the property and/or will create an easement on title
	» TBD Properties
Deed/Resale Restrictions	» All properties subject to deed/resale restrictions (including age related restrictions) are ineligible.
Assumptions	<ul> <li>» Fixed Rate – not allowed</li> <li>» ARMs – May be assumed after the fixed rate period</li> </ul>
CEMA's for NY Refinances	» Refinance transactions for properties in the state of New York that utilize a Consolidated, Extension and Modification Agreement (CEMA) are eligible, as per Fannie Mae Selling Guide.
Prepayment Penalties	Not permitted

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Temporary Buydowns	Not permitted
LDP/GSA	LDP / GSA  » All of the following parties to the transaction, as applicable, must be checked against HUD's Limited Denial of Participation list and the General Service Administration's Excluded Parties List System.  - Borrower(s),  - Broker,  - Loan Agent,  - Seller,  - Real Estate Listing and Selling Agent(s),  - Appraiser.
Mortgage Insurance (MI)	Not required
Products	<ul> <li>30 year fully amortizing fixed rate</li> <li>Qualified at the Note rate</li> <li>15yr, 20yr. 25yr fixed rate and fully-amortized ARM products are not eligible at this time.</li> </ul>
Occupancy	<ul> <li>» Primary Residences for 1-4 units</li> <li>» Second Home residences for one (1) unit properties         <ul> <li>Must be a reasonable distance away from borrower's primary residence.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Must be occupied by the borrower for some portion of the year.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Must be suitable for year-round use.</li> <li>Must not be subject to a rental agreement and borrower must have exclusive control over the property.</li> </ul>
	- Any rental income received on the property cannot be used as qualifying income.
	» Investment Properties for 1-4 units

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Maximum Number of	Borrowers who own more than four (4) properties (including the subject property) are not eligible. The 4-property limit is cumulative for all borrowers and includes properties financed; owned free and clear; properties held in an LLC; and commercial properties.
Financed Properties Owned	» 1-4-unit properties held in the name of an LLC or other corporation cannot be excluded from the number of properties owned calculation if the borrower is not personally obligated on the mortgage.
	<ul> <li>Documentation to confirm the PITIA, HOA, lease payment, and any additional property related expenses must be provided.</li> </ul>
	» Six (6) months PITI on <b>each</b> financed property (in addition to subject property requirements)
	» REMN WS limits its exposure to a maximum of 4 loans per borrower.
Non-Arm's Length or Identity-of-	» A non-arm's length transaction is a purchase transaction where there is a relationship or business affiliation between the buyer and seller of the property. Non-arm's transactions are ineligible with the exceptions noted below.
Interest Transactions	<ul> <li>The following non-arm's length transactions are eligible:</li> <li>Family sales or transfers,</li> </ul>
11411544415115	- Property sellers representing themselves as the agent in the real estate transaction
	- Relative of the property seller acting as the seller's real estate agent
	- Buyers/borrowers representing themselves as the agent in the real estate transaction
	- Relative of the borrower acting as the borrower's real estate agent
	<ul> <li>The borrower is the employee of the originating lender and the lender has an established employee loan program.</li> </ul>
	- Originator is related to the borrower
	<ul> <li>Renter buying from landlord with 24 months cancelled checks to verify satisfactory pay history.</li> </ul>
	» Gifts from relatives that are interested parties to the transaction are not allowed. Real estate agents may apply their commission towards closing costs and/or pre-paid costs as long as the amounts are within the interested party contribution limitations.
	» NOTE: Investment property transactions must be arm's length, no exceptions.
Escrow/Impound Account	» ≤ 80% LTV recommended but not required, as per state law.

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Power of Attorney	<ul> <li>A Power of Attorney (POA) is allowed on a case-by-case basis on Purchase and Limited Cash-Out Refinance transactions subject to all of the following:         <ul> <li>Must be specific to the transaction</li> <li>Attorney-in-fact must be a relative (as defined by Fannie Mae), a fiancé, fiancée, or domestic partner of the borrower.</li> <li>The person(s) granting the power of attorney must match the name on the security instrument</li> <li>Must include the borrower name, property address and loan amount</li> <li>The POA must be fully executed and notarized and must be valid at the time the affected loan documents were signed</li> <li>The borrower must sign the application and disclosures</li> <li>REMN WS to review and approve prior to loan closing</li> <li>The POA must be recorded along with the security instrument/ mortgage.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Not permitted for cash out refinances</li> </ul>
Subordinate Financing	<ul> <li>Not permitted for a Texas Section 50(a)(6) (Texas Equity) transaction</li> <li>Subordinate financing is eligible as follows:         <ul> <li>Institutional financing up to the maximum LTV/CLTV/HCLTV allowed. Seller subordinate financing is not allowed.</li> <li>Subordinate financing not allowed on LTV's &gt; 80%</li> <li>Subordinate liens must be recorded and clearly subordinate to the first mortgage lien.</li> <li>Full disclosure must be made on the existence of subordinate financing and the repayment terms</li> <li>The following types of subordinate financing are eligible:</li></ul></li></ul>

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	TRANSACTION ELIGIBILITY		
Purchase	» Not eligible if the sales price was increased <b>after</b> the original appraisal was completed if:		
Agreements Amended	<ul> <li>The appraised value is higher than the originally contracted sales price that was provided to the appraiser, and</li> </ul>		
/Renegotiated	<ul> <li>The new purchase agreement and/or addendum to the purchase agreement is dated after the appraisal, and</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The only change to the purchase agreement was the sales price.</li> <li>If the purchase agreement was renegotiated after the completion of the appraisal, the LTV will be based on the lower of the original purchase price or the appraised value, unless:</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The re-negotiation was only for seller paid closing costs and/or pre-paids where the seller paid closing costs/pre-paids are common and customary for the area and are supported by the comparables, or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The purchase contract was amended for a new construction property due to improvements made that impact the tangible value of the property. An updated appraisal report must be obtained to validate the value of the improvements.</li> </ul>		
Refinance Transactions	<ul> <li>Properties that were listed for sale in the six (6) months prior to the application date are not eligible for rate/term refinance transactions.</li> <li>Properties listed for sale, at the time of application, are ineligible.</li> <li>A rate/term refinance is limited to the payoff of the current first lien, any seasoned non-first lien, and closing costs and prepays.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>A seasoned non-first lien mortgage is a purchase money mortgage or a mortgage that has been in place 12 months. A seasoned equity line is defined as not having any draws &gt; \$2,000 in the past 12 months. Withdrawal activity must be documented with a transaction history for the HELOC.</li> </ul>		
	LTV/CLTV Determination		
	» < 12 months seasoning (measured from prior Note date to Note date of the new loan):		
	<ul> <li>The LTV/CLTV/HCLTV is based on the lesser of the original purchase price or appraised value.</li> </ul>		
	NOTE: If capital improvements have been made to the property since the purchase, the LTV/CLTV/HCLTV may be based on the lesser of the current appraised value or the original purchase price plus documented improvements.  Receipts are required to document the cost of improvements.		
	<ul> <li>&gt;&gt; ≥ 12 months seasoning (measured from prior Note date to Note date of the new loan):</li> <li>The LTV/CLTV/HCLTV is based on the current appraised value.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Cash-back to the borrower on a rate/term refinance limited to 2% of the principal balance of the new loan OR \$2,000, whichever is less.</li> <li>Released subordinate liens must be paid off and closed to exclude from the CLTV/HCLTV</li> </ul>		
	calculation  » Properties inherited < 12 months prior to application are eligible for a rate/term refinance subject to the following:		
	Must have clear title or copy of probate evidencing the borrower was awarded the property, and		
	<ul> <li>A copy of the will or probate document must be provided, along with the buy-out agreement signed by all beneficiaries, and</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Borrower retains sole ownership of the property after the pay out of the other beneficiaries, and</li> </ul>		
	- Cash-back to the borrower cannot exceed 1% of the loan amount.		

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		TRANSACTION ELIGIBILITY
Refinance Transactions (Cont'd)	Cash-Out Refinances	<ul> <li>Cash-out transactions require the borrower(s) to have owned the property for a minimum of six (6) months prior to the application date unless the requirements under the Delayed Financing section are met.</li> <li>Properties that were listed for sale in the 12 months prior to the application date are ineligible for a cash-out refinance</li> <li>Cash-out eligible on primary residence and second home transactions.</li> <li>Cash-out transactions may include the unpaid principal balance of the existing first mortgage plus closing costs, points, the amount to pay-off any outstanding subordinate mortgage lien(s) of any age and additional cash that the borrower may use for any purpose.</li> <li>Maximum cash-out is limited to the amount indicated on the Cash-Out Refinance matrix on page 1. The maximum cash-out limitations include the payoff of any unsecured debt, unseasoned liens and any cash in hand.</li> <li>Properties inherited &lt; 12 months from the application date are ineligible for cash-out; 12 months ownership is required.</li> <li>The refinance of mortgage loans that involve the refinance of subordinate liens not used in whole to purchase the subject property. This includes home improvement loans, HELOC and second mortgage loans obtained for taking equity out of the property, even if a portion of the subordinate lien was used to purchase the property. However, if such subordinate lien has been outstanding form more than 2 years and there has not been a draw on the subordinate lien in the past 12 months then the new loan will not be considered a cash-out refinance.</li> <li>LIV/CLTV Determination</li> <li>&lt; 12 but &gt; 6 months seasoning: The LTV/CLTV/HCLTV is based on the lesser of the purchase, the LTV/CLTV/HCLTV may be based on the lesser of the current appraised value or the original purchase price plus documented improvements. Receipts are required to document the cost of improvements.</li> <li>≥ 12 months seasoning: The LTV/CLTV/HCLTV is based on the appraised v</li></ul>
		- Investment properties are ineligible.  Subordinate Lien
	All Refinances	<ul> <li>Released subordinate liens must be paid off and closed to exclude from the CLTV/HCLTV calculation on both Limited Cash-Out and Cash-Out refinance transactions.</li> </ul>
	Financing Real Estate Taxes	The following applies when real estate taxes are financed:  » Limited Cash-out Refinance: A loan is ineligible as a limited cash-out refinance and must be considered a cash-out transaction when:
		<ul> <li>The borrower finances the payment of real estate taxes for the subject property in the loan amount but does not establish an escrow account, or</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>The borrower finances the payment of real estate taxes that are more than 60 days delinquent for the subject property in the loan amount.</li> </ul>
		NOTE: If considered cash-out, only eligible on primary residence
		» Cash-out Refinance: A loan with financed real estate taxes that are more than 60 days delinquent is eligible as long as an escrow account is established. If an escrow account is not established the loan is ineligible.

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		TRANSACTION ELIGIBILITY
Refinance Transactions (Cont'd)	Continuity of Obligation	A continuity of obligation is required on refinance transactions. Continuity of obligation is met when at least one borrower on the existing mortgage is also a borrower on the new refinance transaction and is measured from the date of the event (such as transfer of title) to the disbursement date of the new refinance transaction.
		NOTE: Continuity of obligation does not apply to properties owned free and clear (i.e. no mortgage lien) due to the borrower purchasing the property with all cash or the prior mortgage that the borrower was obligated on has been paid in full.
		<ul> <li>Exemptions to the above continuity of obligation requirements are:</li> <li>The borrower was added to the title 24 months or more prior to the disbursement date of</li> </ul>
		the new refinance transaction, <b>or</b>
		<ul> <li>The borrower has been on title for at least 12 months but is not obligated on the existing mortgage and one of the following applies:</li> </ul>
		Has been residing in the property for at least 12 months,
		<ul> <li>Has paid the mortgage (including any subordinate financing) for the last 12 months, or</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Can demonstrate a relationship (relative, domestic partner, etc.) with the current obligor</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>The borrower has been added to title through a transfer from a trust or a limited liability company (LLC) as long as the borrower was a beneficiary/creator of the trust or a 25% or more owner of the LLC/partnership prior to the transfer and the transferring entity and/or borrower has had consecutive ownership (on title) for at least the most recent 6 months prior to the transfer.</li> </ul>
		NOTE: Transfer of ownership from a corporation to an individual does <b>not</b> meet the continuity of obligation requirement
		- The borrower recently inherited, or was legally awarded, the property (divorce, separation, or dissolution of a domestic partnership). There is <b>no waiting period</b> in these instances.
		» If the continuity of obligation requirement does not exist, or one of the exemptions outlined above do not apply, the loan is ineligible.
	Delayed Financing	<ul> <li>Delayed financing is the refinance of a property the borrower purchased for all cash within 90 days of the application date for the refinance transaction. The following applies:         <ul> <li>Transaction is considered a Limited Cash-Out refinance</li> <li>The LTV/CLTV is calculated based on the lesser of:</li></ul></li></ul>
		<ul> <li>The appraised value;</li> <li>Allowed on primary residence, second home, and investment properties</li> <li>Investment properties eligible as long as the borrower is not a builder or in the construction industry and the prior transaction was arm's length</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>The preliminary title reflects the borrower as the owner and no liens</li> <li>HUD-1/CD from the original purchase is required to document that the total funds used to close the original purchase transactions were the borrower's own funds (no borrowed, gift, or shared funds),</li> <li>If funds from a pledged asset or retirement account were used to purchase the property</li> </ul>
		delayed financing is <b>not</b> eligible.  - Funds drawn from a HELOC on another property owned by the borrower, funds borrowed against a margin account or funds from a 401(k) loan are acceptable as long as the following
		requirements are met:
Conversion of Construction-to-	the purpose of	new refinance transaction  of construction-to-permanent financing involves the granting of a long-term mortgage to a borrower for replacing interim construction financing that the borrower has obtained to fund the construction of a new is eligible subject to the following:
Permanent	- The b	is eligible subject to the following:  porrower must hold title to the lot, which may have been previously acquired or purchased as part of the action  ed Cash-Out and Cash-Out refinance transactions:
	•	Lots owned ≥ 12 months the LTV/CLTV is based on the current appraised value
	•	Lots owned < 12 months the LTV/CLTV is based on the lesser of:
		<ul> <li>The current appraised value, or</li> <li>The total acquisition costs (sum of construction costs and purchase price of lot)</li> </ul>
	» <u>NOTE</u> : Timefra transaction.	ame for ownership is measured from the date the lot was purchased to the Note date of the subject
		nt financing is allowed

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#### **BORROWER ELIGIBILITY**

#### Eligible Borrowers

- » All borrowers are required to have a valid Social Security number; Tax ID / ITIN number is not eligible.
- » U.S. Citizens
- » Permanent Resident Aliens
  - Must provide documentation to verify they are legally present in the U.S. Eligible documentation:
    - A valid and current Permanent Resident Alien card (Form I-551) aka Green Card, or
    - A passport stamped "Processed for I-551, temporary evidence of lawful admission for permanent residence. Valid until . Employment authorized"
  - Must be employed in the U.S. for the previous two (2) years
- » Inter Vivos Revocable Trust Eligible subject to the following:
  - The trust must be established by one or more natural persons, solely or jointly,
  - The primary beneficiary of the trust must be the individual(s) who established the trust,
  - If the trust is established jointly, there may be more than one primary beneficiary as long as
    the income or assets of at least one of the individuals establishing the trust will be used to
    qualify for the mortgage,
  - The trustee(s) must include the individual establishing the trust (or at least one of the individuals, if there are two or more),

#### **NOTE**: Institutional trustees are ineligible.

- The trustee must have the power to mortgage the security property for the purpose of securing a loan to the party (or parties) who are the borrower(s) under the mortgage or Note
- The mortgage must be underwritten as if the individual establishing the trust (or at least one of the individuals, if there are two or more) were the borrower (or co-borrower, if there are additional individuals whose income or assets will be used to qualify for the mortgage)
- All trust documents, including the trust agreement, must be provided to determine eligibility.
- » Non-permanent Resident Aliens Eligible subject to the following:
  - Primary residence only
  - Maximum 75% LTV/CLTV
  - 20, 25, 30-year fixed rate only
  - Unexpired H-1B, H-2B, E1, L1 and G Series visas only. G Series visas with diplomatic immunity are ineligible.
  - Credit tradeline requirements detailed in this guideline must be met, no exceptions, and
  - Borrower must have a documented employment and income history including but not limited to two (2) years of US tax returns, a history of visa renewals and no reason to believe that the employment will cease.
  - Income verification and validation requirements must be met No Exceptions

#### » First Time Homebuyers (borrowers who have not owned a property in the past 3 years)

- When multiple borrowers are on the loan, if any borrower qualifies as a FTHB, the loan is subject to FTHB restrictions.
- FTHBs with LTV's < 80% eligible subject to the following:</li>
  - Maximum loan amount of \$1,000,000\* (see exception below)
  - Primary residence only. Second home and investment property ineligible
  - Minimum 720 credit score
  - Maximum 43%
  - No gift funds allowed
  - Reserves required as follows:
  - Minimum 12mos PITIA reserves required

\*Exception: First time homebuyer purchasing a subject property in the states of CA, CT, NJ and NY are eligible for loan amounts up to \$1,500,000, subject to all of the above.

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	BORROWER ELIGIBILITY			
Ineligible	» Foreign Nationals			
Borrowers	Non-occupant co-borrowers			
	» Land Trusts (except Illinois Land Trust)			
	» Limited partnerships, general partnerships, corporations and LLCs			
	» Borrowers with diplomatic immunity			
	» Borrowers without a social security number or a number that cannot be validated with the SSA. An ITIN is not eligible.			
	» Borrowers with non-traditional credit			
	» Life Estates,			
	» Non-revocable trusts,			
	Guardianships			
	First time homebuyer purchasing a second home or investment property  Borrowers with any ownership in a business that is federally illegal, regardless if income is not being considered for qualifying			
	» Borrowers who are party to a lawsuit			
Borrower Ownership	» Title must be in the borrower's name at time of application for refinance transactions and at the time of closing for all transactions.			
Interest	» Borrowers may hold title as follows:			
	- Fee Simple with vesting as:			
	Individual, or			
	Joint tenants, or			
	Tenants in common			

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	CREDIT & LINDERWRITING
Documentation	<ul> <li>CREDIT &amp; UNDERWRITING</li> <li>All loans must be manually underwritten and fully documented. No documentation waivers based on AUS recommendations are permitted.</li> <li>Income calculation worksheet or 1008 with income calculation. The Fannie Mae Form 1084, Freddie Mac Form 91 or equivalent is required for self-employment income analysis.         <ul> <li>If using the Fannie Mae Form 1084; for applications on or after 2/1/2016, the Form 1084 must be the most recent form dated 8/25/2015 and the new instructions within the Form 1084 followed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Full income and asset verification are required</li> <li>QM (Qualified Mortgage) designation must be provided in the loan file:         <ul> <li>QM designation is QM Safe Harbor OR</li> <li>QM designation is Exempt for investment property transactions when the transaction is exclusively for business purposes</li> <li>Investment property transactions require an attestation from the borrower stating the property is used 100% of the time for business purposes in order for the designation to be Exempt. If the borrower does not use the property 100% of the time for business purposes, the loan is subject to QM and the designation would be QM Safe Harbor.</li> <li>Cash-Out refinances of investment properties must also contain an attestation regarding the proceeds from the cash-out refinance. If 100% of the proceeds are not used for business purposes, the loan is subject to QM and the designation would be QM Safe Harbor.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Loan file must document the eight (8) Ability to Repay (ATR) rules identified in Part 1026-Truthin-Lending (Regulation Z).</li> <li>If the subject transaction is paying off a HELOC that is not included in the CLTV/HCLTV calculation,</li> </ul>
	the loan file must contain evidence the HELOC has been closed.  » If the 1003, title commitment or credit documents indicate the borrower is a party to a lawsuit,
Age of	<ul> <li>additional documentation must be obtained to determine no negative impact on the borrower's ability to repay, assets or collateral.</li> <li>Credit reports cannot be more than 90 days old as of the Note Date.</li> </ul>
Documents	<ul> <li>All income and asset documentation cannot be more than 60 days old as of the Note date.</li> <li>Appraisal documents cannot be more than 120 days old at funding.</li> <li>Title commitment cannot be more than 60 days old as of the Note date.</li> </ul>

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#### **CREDIT & UNDERWRITING**

# Credit Reports/Scores

- » Minimum credit score per matrices on pages 1 & 2
- » An individual borrower's representative credit score is determined as follows:
  - If there are three (3) valid scores, the middle score is used. If two of the three scores are a
    duplicate, the duplicate score is used.
  - If there are two (2) valid scores, the lower of the two is used

The representative score for the loan is the lowest representative score for all borrowers.

- » A tri-merged credit report is required for all borrowers.
- » Credit reports showing as "frozen" with a credit bureau will require the freeze to be removed and a new credit report, with all bureaus "unfrozen", is required.
- » The borrower(s) must address, in writing, all credit inquiries indicated on the credit report within the previous 120 days and indicate the reason for and result of the inquiry (i.e. was new credit obtained or not). If new credit was obtained, a verification of that debt must be provided, and the borrower must be qualified with the monthly payment.

#### **Examples:**

- Acceptable Response: Chase, Wells & Bank of America credit pulled while searching for a mortgage on property located at 123 Main Street; no credit was obtained.
- *Unacceptable Response:* "We did not accept any credit for the inquiries listed on our credit report: or "We did not accept any credit from Chase, Wells & Bank of America" (neither response specifically addresses both the inquiry and disposition).
- » If additional debt was obtained or discovered or the borrower's income is reduced after the underwriting decision was made the following applies:
  - The additional debt(s) and reduced income must be applied and determined if the loan still qualifies,
  - If there is new subordinate debt on the subject property, the loan must be reunderwritten, and
  - The final loan application signed by the borrower(s) must include all income and debt verified, disclosed or identified
- » The credit report cannot be more than 60 days old at funding.
- » Court Ordered Assignment of Debt
  - Debt that has been assigned by order of the court is not required to be included in the borrower's DTI calculations if the following is provided:
    - Copy of the court order, and
    - Mortgage debt requires a copy of the document transferring ownership of property,
       and
- » If transfer of ownership has not taken place, any late payments associated with the repayment of the debt owing on the mortgage property should be considered when reviewing the borrower's credit profile.

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	CREDIT & UNDERWRITING			
Credit History	» Minimum three (3) tradelines that meet the following requirements:			
Credit History	- One must be open for 24 months and active within the most recent 6 months, and			
	- The 2 remaining tradelines must be rated for 12 months and may be open or closed, <b>OR</b>			
	» Minimum (two) 2 tradelines are acceptable if the borrower has a satisfactory mortgage rating for at least 12 months (open or closed) within the last 24 months, and one (1) additional open tradeline			
	» Each borrower contributing income for qualification must meet the minimum tradeline requirements;			
	<ul> <li>Borrowers not contributing qualifying income are not subject to tradeline requirements.</li> <li>Authorized user tradelines cannot be used to satisfy tradeline requirements.</li> <li>Non-traditional credit cannot be used to satisfy tradeline requirements</li> </ul>			
Mortgage/Rental	Mortgage History Requirements:			
History	<ul> <li>0x30 in the previous 24 months (no exceptions). This applies to all borrowers on the loan.</li> <li>Mortgage must be current for the month closing.</li> </ul>			
	Rental History Requirements:			
	<ul> <li>Ox30 in the previous 24 months (no exceptions). This applies to all borrowers on the loan.</li> <li>If the borrower(s) has a rental history in the most recent 12 months, a VOR must be obtained.</li> <li>Applies to all borrowers on the loan.</li> </ul>			
	If the landlord is a party to the transaction or relative of the borrower, cancelled checks or bank statements to verify satisfactory rent history is required; otherwise if not related or a party to the transaction a satisfactory VOR can be provided.			
Installment Debt	» Installment debt is considered as a recurring monthly debt obligation and included in the borrower's long-term debt when there is ≥ ten (10) months payments' remaining.			
	» Installment debt with < ten (10) months remaining (9 months or less) will be considered as a recurring monthly debt obligation if it significantly affects the borrower's ability to meet their credit obligations.			
	» Car lease payments must be included in the monthly debt obligation regardless of the number			
	of remaining payments.			
	» Installment debt cannot be paid down to qualify.			
	» Installment debt can be paid off for qualification. If the account is paid off and closed			
	documentation that the account was closed must be provided and verified prior to loan			
	disbursement. The payoff must be shown on the HUD-1/CD			
	<ul> <li>» All accounts must be current at closing</li> <li>» No adverse credit reported on installment accounts for the previous 36months</li> </ul>			
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	CREDIT & UNDERWRITING	
Revolving Debt	<ul> <li>Revolving debt is considered part of the borrower's recurring monthly debt. Revolving debt includes credit cards and personal lines of credit (equity lines, secured by real estate, are included in the housing expense). Revolving debt is subject to the following:         <ul> <li>If the monthly payment is not included on the credit report, the greater of \$10 or 5% of the outstanding balance is used to determine the monthly payment</li> <li>Payoff of debt solely to qualify the borrower is carefully evaluated and will be considered in the overall loan analysis by the underwriter. Generally, the following applies:</li></ul></li></ul>	
Open 30-Day Charge Accounts	» If the credit report reflects an open-end or 30-day account, the balance owed must be subtracted from the borrower's liquid assets.	
Student Loans		

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	CREDIT & UNDERWRITING		
Child Support/Separate Maintenance Payments	<ul> <li>Child support or separate maintenance payments that are required to be paid due to a divorce decree, separation agreement or other legal document must be included in the borrower's monthly debt obligations if they will continue for ≥ ten (10) months.</li> <li>Voluntary support payments are not required to be considered in the DTI calculation.</li> <li>Alimony payments may be deducted from the borrower's income rather than included as a liabil</li> </ul>		
Alimony Payments	in the debt-to-income (DTI) ratio for divorces prior to $1/1/2019$ . For borrowers with a divorce or after $1/1/2019$ , the alimony must be treated as a liability.		
Taxes Owed by Borrower/Tax Extension	» If the most recent tax return or a tax extension indicate a borrower owes money to the IRS or applicable State Tax Authority, evidence of sufficient assets to pay the debt must be documented if the amount due is within ninety (90) days of loan application date.		
<b>Derogatory Credit</b>	» Multiple derogatory credit events not allowed.		
Derogatory Credit  - Bankruptcy	<ul> <li>Seven (7) year waiting period, measured from discharge/dismissal date to the disbursement date of the new loan.</li> <li>Seasoning period applies to all BK's (Chapter 7, Chapter 11 &amp; Chapter 13)</li> </ul>		
Derogatory Credit - Foreclosure	» Seven (7) year waiting period, measured from completion date to the disbursement date of the new loan, is required.		
Derogatory Credit  - Deed-In- Lieu/Pre- Foreclosure/Short- Sale/Short Payoff	<ul> <li>» Seven (7) year seasoning is required.</li> <li>- This seasoning period requirement includes:</li> <li>• Mortgage accounts that were settled for less than payoff, and/or</li> <li>• Negotiated payoffs or</li> <li>• Short Payoff</li> </ul>		
Derogatory Credit  - Loan  Modifications	<ul> <li>Lender initiated modification will not be considered a derogatory credit event if the modification did include debt forgiveness and was not due to hardship as evidenced by supporting documentation. No seasoning requirement would apply.</li> <li>If the modification was due to hardship or included debt forgiveness – Seven (7) years seasoning since modification.         <ul> <li>A forbearance that results in a loan modification (moving payments to the end of the mortgage) is a credit event and will be considered "due to hardship".</li> </ul> </li> <li>Payments on the modified loan are 0x30 in the previous twenty-four (24) months.</li> </ul>		
Prior Mortgage Forbearances	Allowable six (6) months after the end of the forbearance period, and only if the borrower made all the monthly payments during forbearance and did not utilize the forbearance terms to skip any payment		
Collection Accounts	Medical Collection Accounts     Medical collection accounts may remain outstanding as long as the cumulative total of all collection accounts (medical and non-medical) are less than or equal to \$5,000.  Non Medical Collection Accounts		
	Non-Medical Collection Accounts The following applies to non-medical collection accounts:		
	<ul> <li>1-4 Unit Owner-Occupied Primary Residence and 1-Unit Second Home</li> <li>Collections totaling more than \$5,000 (cumulative total of medical and non-medical accounts) must be paid off prior to or at closing.</li> <li>1-4 Unit Investment Properties</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Individual accounts equal to or greater than \$250 and accounts that total more than \$1,000 must be paid in full prior to or at closing.</li> <li>NOTE: At REMN WS Underwriter discretion, the payoff of collection accounts may be required.</li> </ul>		

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	CREDIT & UNDERWRITING		
Judgments/Tax Liens/Charge- Offs/Past-Due Accounts	<ul> <li>Open judgments, tax liens, charge-offs and past-due accounts must be satisfied or brought current prior to or at closing. Cash-out proceeds from the subject transaction may not be used to satisfy judgments, tax liens, charge-offs or past-due accounts.         <ul> <li>Borrowers who are party to a lawsuit are not eligible for financing.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Documentation of sufficient funds to satisfy these obligations must be obtained.</li> <li>NOTE: Payment plans on prior year tax liens/liabilities are ineligible; must be paid in full prior to or at closing.</li> </ul>		
Consumer Credit Counseling	Borrowers who have participated in consumer credit counseling are eligible if they meet all other credit requirements (minimum credit score, no mortgage lates, no short sales, no modifications, etc.)		
Disputed Accounts	<ul> <li>All disputed tradelines must be included in the DTI if the account belongs to the borrower unless documentation can be provided that authenticates the dispute.</li> <li>Derogatory accounts must be considered in analyzing the borrower's willingness to repay unless the disputed account has a zero balance and no late payments; then it can be disregarded.</li> <li>Disputed accounts may not be used to meet tradeline requirements.</li> </ul>		
Delinquent Child Support	Delinquent child support must be paid current or in a payment plan.      On a case-by-case basis, this requirement may be waived subject to REMN WS underwriter review.		
Business Debts	<ul> <li>Business debt that appears on a self-employed borrower's personal credit report requires documentation that the debt is paid from company funds and considered in the cash flow analysis for the borrower's business.</li> <li>Business debt does not need to be considered as part of the borrower's individual recurring monthly debt when:         <ul> <li>The account does not have a history of delinquency, and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Documentation is provided that the debt was paid from the borrower's business funds (e.g. 12 months cancelled business checks), and</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The cash-flow analysis of the business took payment of the obligation into consideration.</li> <li>If documentation of payment from the business funds cannot be provided, or there is history of delinquency on the account, or the debt is not included in the business cash flow the debt must be considered as part of the borrower's individual recurring debt obligation.</li> </ul>		
Contingent Liabilities	<ul> <li>Co-signed Debt</li> <li>Co-signed debt is not required to be included in the borrower's DTI calculation if all of the following applies:         <ul> <li>Documentation is provided that the borrower is not primarily responsible for payment of the debt, and</li> <li>The credit report indicates no late payments on the account, and</li> <li>Twelve (12) months most recent consecutive cancelled checks are provided documenting the primary party obligated on the debt has been making the payments (the checks cannot be from an account co-owned with the borrower).</li> </ul> </li> <li>Co-signed debt must be included in the borrower's DTI calculation if:         <ul> <li>It cannot be properly documented that the primary party obligated on the loan is making the payments, or</li> <li>A twelve (12) month pay history, by the primary party, cannot be established, or</li> <li>The credit report indicates there have been late payments on the debt, or</li> <li>Another party is making the payments, but the borrower is the only party responsible for the debt.</li> </ul> </li></ul>		
	Assumption w/ No Release of Liability  The debt on a previous mortgage may be excluded from DTI with evidence the borrower now longer owns the property. The following requirements apply:  Payment history showing the mortgage on the assumed property has been current during the previous twelve (12) months, or  The value of the property, as established by an appraisal or sales price on the HUD-1/CD results in an LTV of 75% or less.		
	<ul> <li>If the obligation to make payments on a debt has been assigned to another person by court order, the payment may be excluded from the DTI if the following documents are provided.</li> <li>Copy of court order.</li> <li>For mortgage debt, a copy of the document transferring ownership of property.</li> <li>If transfer of ownership has not taken place, any late payments associated with the repayment of the debt owing on the mortgage property should be considered when reviewing the borrower's credit profile.</li> </ul>		

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#### **CREDIT & UNDERWRITING Departing Residence Pending Sale: Conversion of** If the borrower is purchasing a new primary residence, and the current primary residence is pending Principal sale and the transaction will not close prior to the new transaction, the following is required to **Residence to** exclude the departure residence PITIA from qualifying: Second Home. A copy of an executed sales contract for the property pending sale (transaction must be **Investment or** arm's length), and **Pending Sale** Confirmation that all contingencies have been cleared, and The closing date for the departure residence must be within 30 days of the subject transaction Note date, and The borrower must meet reserve requirements for subject property and have six (6) months PITIA in reserves for vacating/departing property. Departure Residence Subject to Guaranteed Buy-out with Corporation Relocation: The borrower's payment on their primary residence that is part of a corporate relocation may be excluded when all of the following requirements are met: Copy of the executed buy-out agreement verifying the borrower has no additional financial responsibility toward the departing residence once the property has been transferred to the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) party, and Guaranteed buy-out by the third (3rd) party must occur within 4 months of the fully executed guaranteed buy-out agreement, and Evidence of receipt of equity advance if funds will be used for down payment or closing costs, and The borrower must meet reserve requirements for the subject property and have an additional 6 months PITIA in reserves for the vacating/departing property. **Conversion to Second Home:** The borrower is qualified using the PITIA payments for both properties The borrower must meet the reserve requirements for the subject property and have three (3) months PITIA reserves for vacating/departing property **Conversion to Investment:** 75% of the rental income may be used in the underwriting analysis when there is documented equity of at least 30% in the property being rented Equity must be documented with either: A full or exterior only appraisal dated within 6 months of the Note date, or Evidence of the original sales price and the current unpaid principal balance The borrower must also provide: A fully executed lease agreement, Security deposit from the new tenant, A copy of the bank statement showing the deposited security funds, and Applicable reserve requirements for the subject property and six (6) months PITIA for vacating property is required if financed (see Maximum Number of Financed Properties Owned section). HELOCs with a current outstanding balance with no payment reflected on the credit report may have the **Home Equity Line** payment documented with a current billing statement. of Credit (HELOC) HELOCs with a current \$0 balance do not need a payment included in the DTI unless using for HELOC funds for a down payment or closing costs. Maximum DTI: Debt-to-Income Purchase/Rate-Term Refinance - 43% Ratio (DTI)

- For eligible Purchase transactions with LTV > 85%, max DTI is limited to 40%
- Cash-Out Refinance 38%
- No exceptions to the maximum DTI are allowed.
- The DTI is based on the total of existing monthly liabilities plus any planned future liabilities based on credit inquiries or as disclosed by the borrower and then divided by the calculated gross monthly income.
- Liabilities must include housing, revolving and installment debt, real estate loans, rent, child support, and any other consistent and recurring debt.
- If the borrower owns other properties documentation must be provided to confirm the PITI, HOA dues, lease payments and any other property-related expenses.
- Balloon payment Note that will come due within one year of loan closing must be considered in the borrower's liability

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#### **EMPLOYMENT & INCOME**

#### **Employment**

- » A two (2) year employment and income history is required for both wage earner and selfemployed borrowers.
- » Gaps in employment > 30 days during the past 2 years require a satisfactory letter of explanation and the borrower must be employed with their current employer for a minimum of 6 months to include as qualifying income.
  - Extended gaps of employment (≥ 6 months) require a documented 2-year work history prior to the gap
- » A verbal verification of employment (VVOE) is required within **five (5) business days** of the Note date or funding date for escrow states for salaried borrowers and within **five (5) business days** of the Note date or funding date for escrow states for self-employed borrowers.
- » The VVOE for wage earners should contain the following information:
  - Date of contact,
  - Borrower's date of employment,
  - Name of employer
  - Name, phone number and title of the person contacted at the employer
  - The name and person contacting the employer, and
  - The method and source used to obtain the phone number

NOTE: The VVOE for wage earners must cover **two full years of employment** including any prior employment if the borrower has changed employers in the previous two years.

- » The VVOE for self-employed borrowers (individuals who have a 25% or greater ownership interest in a business) the following applies:
  - Verification of the existence of the borrower's business from a third-party source, such as a CPA, regulatory agency, or applicable licensing bureau.
    - NOTE: The borrower's website is **not** an acceptable 3<sup>rd</sup> party verification source.
  - Provide the listing and address of the borrower's business using a telephone book, internet, or directory assistance
  - Name and title of the person completing the verification.
- » Wage earners require a current paystub with YTD income. The pay stub must be computer generated and clearly identify the borrower as the employee
- » Paystubs issued electronically via email or downloaded from the internet must show all of the following:
  - The URL address,
  - Date and time printed, and
  - Identifying information on place of origin and/or author of the documentation.

**NOTE**: A fully completed written VOE is only acceptable as a supplement to the VVOE to further explain the type of income earned (e.g. breakdown of base, OT, bonus, commission, etc.)

» Most recent W-2s are required for wage earners and must be employer generated copies.

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	EMPLOYMENT & INCOME	
Income	» A minimum of two (2) years employment and income history is required. REMN WS underwriter is	
income	required to provide a written analysis and justification for using income that has less than two (2) year	
	history of receipt.	
	Stable monthly income is the borrower's verified gross monthly income from all acceptable and verifiable sources and there must be a reasonable expectation it will continue for a minimum of three (3) years.	
	» Full income verification is required.	
	<ul> <li>All verifications of employment (VOE) must constitute reasonably reliable third-party records with final pre-close VOE within five (5) days of consummation, irrespective of employment type.</li> </ul>	
	» Gaps in employment > 30 days during the past two (2) years require a satisfactory letter of explanation an the borrower must be employed with their current employer for a minimum of 6 months to include as qualifying income.	d
	- Extended gaps of employment (≥ 6 months) require a documented 2-year work history prior to the	ž
	<ul> <li>An income analysis form (Fannie Mae Form 1084 Cash Flow Analysis or its equivalent) is required detailing income calculations. Income analysis for borrowers with multiple employers, businesses or income sources must show income/loss details separately, not in aggregate.</li> <li>Wage earner borrowers:</li> </ul>	•
	At minimum, a current paystub with YTD earnings and the most recent two (2) years W-2 forms of tax returns are required	
	» Self-employed borrowers:	
	<ul> <li>Copy of the most recent two (2) years signed federal individual and business tax returns with all schedules.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Refer to the <u>Income Documentation Requirements</u> section for complete documentation requirements.</li> <li>When tax returns are used for qualifying the following applies:</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Personal tax returns must include all schedules (W-2 forms, K-1s, etc.) and be signed and dated or or before closing</li> </ul>	
	- Business tax returns (if applicable) must be signed and include all schedules	
	- Transcripts are not acceptable in lieu of signed and dated Federal tax returns with all schedules.  » When the borrowers have unfiled prior years' tax returns the following applies:	
	- Between Jan 1 <sup>st</sup> and the tax filing date (typically April 15 <sup>th</sup> ) the borrower must provide:	
	IRS Form 1099 and the W-2 from the previous year	
	NOTE: If the loan is closing in January and the borrower has not received their W-2 the prior year's year-end paystub may be provided. Borrowers using 1099s, evidence of receipt of 1099 income must be provided.	
	<ul> <li>Between the tax filing date and the extension expiration date (October 15<sup>th</sup>), borrowers must provide (as applicable):</li> </ul>	
	Copy of the filed extension,	
	<ul> <li>Evidence of payment of any taxes owed as identified on the tax return,</li> </ul>	
	• W-2 forms,	
	Form 1099 (if applicable),  Year and size ad profit and less for the prior year and	
	Year-end signed profit and loss for the prior year, and     Current signed profit and loss for prior year.	
	<ul> <li>Current signed profit and loss for prior year,</li> <li>Self-employed borrowers must provide balance sheet for the prior calendar year.</li> </ul>	
	NOTE: After the extension expiration date, the prior year tax returns are required.	
	Other sources of income are eligible for qualifying the borrower as long as it is considered stable and ther	ا م
	is a reasonable expectation it will continue for a minimum of three (3) years.	_
	» Income must be fully documented and must be averaged for the time-period covered.	
Declining Income	» If declining income has occurred, the most recent twelve (12) months should be used. Declinin	g
Deciming medine	income must be analyzed to determine if the rate of decline would have a negative impact on	
	the continuance of income and borrower's ability to repay.  Declining income requires	
	management review and approval.	
	» NOTE: If the decline is related to a one-time capital expenditure, a longer period of time for the	e
	averaging of income on a case-by-case basis. Documentation of the expenditure must be provided	
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Income	Income Type	Documentation Requirements
Documentation	Employment Income - Salaried	An earnings trend must be established and documented. Large
Requirements		increases in salary over the prior two (2) years must be explained and documented.
		The following documentation is required:
		W-2 forms or personal tax returns, including all schedules, for prior two years
		<ul> <li>Year-to-date pay stub up through and including the most current pay period at the time of application. Cannot be dated earlier than 60 days prior to the Note date</li> </ul>
		If the borrower receives overtime pay, it must be shown on the YTD pay stub.
	Employment Income – Hourly	An earnings trend must be established and documented.
	and Variable	Stable to increasing income should be averaged over a two (2) year period
		Declining income must be explained by the employer and borrower. The REMN WS underwriter must provide a written analysis and explanation if declining income is used to qualify the borrower(s).  The following documentation is required:
		<ul> <li>W-2s or personal tax returns, including all schedules, for prior two (2) years.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Year-to-date pay stub that includes the most current pay period at the time of application</li> </ul>
	Employment Income – Part- Time	A two (2) year uninterrupted history working part-time at the job is required. Borrower must confirm plans to continue the part-time work.
		If the part-time income shows a continual decline, written sound rationalization for using the income to qualify must be provided, or income should not be used.
		W-2 forms for prior two (2) years
		<ul> <li>Year-to-date paystub that includes the most current pay period at the time of application.</li> </ul>
	Employment Income –	» YTD paystub, and
	Employed by Family Member	» Two (2) years W-2s <b>and</b>
		» Two (2) years personal tax returns (all schedules), and
		<ul> <li>» Verbal VOE</li> <li>» Underwriter must address borrower's potential ownership</li> </ul>
	Employment Income – Commission	Commission income must be averaged over the previous two (2)
	Commission	years.  If the commission income shows a continual decline, the underwriter must provide written sound rationalization for using the income to qualify or income cannot be used.
		<ul> <li>W-2s for prior two years if commissions are &lt; 25% of the total income.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Tax returns, including all schedules, and W-2 forms from the previous two years if commissions are ≥ 25% of the total income.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Unreimbursed business expenses (form 2106) must be subtracted from income.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Year-to-date pay stub up through and including the most current pay period at the time of application. Paystub cannot be dated earlier than 60 days prior to Note date</li> </ul>
	Employment Income –	Employee business expenses must be deducted from the adjusted
	2106 Expenses	gross income.
	Employment Income – Overtime & Bonus	An earnings trend for bonus and overtime must be established and documented. A period of more than two (2) years must be

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	used in calculating the average overtime and bonus income if the income varies significantly from year to year. If either type of income shows a continual decline, written sound rationalization for using the income to qualify must be provided, or income should not be used.
	W-2 forms or personal tax returns, including all schedules for prior two (2) years.
	Year-to-date paystub up through and including the most current pay period at time of application. Paystub cannot be dated earlier than 60 days prior to the Note date.
Self-Employment Income	» Self-employed borrowers are individuals who have 25% or greater ownership interest or receive a 1099 statement to document income.
	» 1099 borrowers are considered self-employed.
	» YTD paystub required for self-employed borrower(s) if they pay themselves wage income.
	» YTD P&L and balance sheet are required for all self- employed entities, regardless if income was used to qualify.
	» Self-employment income statements must be the most recent 90 days and cannot be more than 30 days old.
	» Transcripts are not acceptable in lieu of signed and dated Federal tax returns with all schedules.
Self-Employment – Sole Proprietorship	» Year-to-date profit and loss (P&L) with an end date within ninety (90) days of funding for each business. The current quarter must be included.
	» Balance sheet with an ending date within ninety (90) days from the funding date for each business.
	» If the borrower filed an extension for the prior year then the prior year P&L and the prior year balance sheet (January through December) for each business is also required.
	» Personal tax returns, including all schedules, signed on or before the closing date, for the prior two years are required.
	» Stable to increasing income should be averaged for two (2) years
Solf Familianment Comparation	» Third party verification of the existence of the business.
Self-Employment - Corporation	» Two (2) years personal tax returns, signed on or before the closing date
	» Two (2) years business returns (1120) signed if ≥25% ownership interest.
	» Business returns must reflect percentage of ownership the borrower has in the business.
	» YTD profit and loss statement if ≥25% ownership interest
	» YTD balance sheet if ≥25% ownership interest
	» Stable to increasing income should be averaged for 2 years
	» Third party verification of the existence of the business.

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	Income Type	Documentation Requirements
Income	Self-Employment – Partnership	» Year-to-date profit and loss (P&L) with an end date within
<b>Documentation</b>	(General/Limited), Limited	ninety (90) days of funding for each business if ≥25%
Requirements	Liability Companies (LLC), S-	ownership. Must include current quarter.
(Cont'd)	Corps	» Balance sheet with an ending date within 90 days from the funding date for each business if ≥ 25% ownership
		» If the borrower filed an extension for the prior year, then the prior year P&L and the prior year balance sheet (January through
		December) for each business is also required.
		» Personal tax returns, including all schedules, signed on or before the closing date for prior two (2) years are required.
		<ul> <li>K-1s for prior two years, showing ownership percentage. K-1s are not required if the source is reporting positive income</li> </ul>
		and the income is not used for qualification. If K-1s show an income loss, they are required, regardless if the income is
		used for qualifying purposes. If using capital gains, interest/dividends, or W-2 income, the K-1's are required.
		» Business tax returns (1065/1120), including all schedules, for
		the prior two (2) years are required if the borrower has a 25%
		or greater ownership interest. Business returns are <b>not</b> required if reporting positive income (on the K-1) and the income is not used for qualification purposes.
		<ul> <li>Stable to increasing income is averaged for two (2) years.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Third party verification of the existence of the business.</li> </ul>
	Rental Income – All	When using rental income to qualify the borrower, the
	Properties (except Departing	current signed lease agreement for each rental
	Primary Residence)	property, including commercial properties listed in
		Part 1 of Schedule E of the 1040's. Leases required
		even if identified on Schedule E. The income must be
		consistent with the current leases or a letter of
		explanation from the borrower is required.
		NOTE: If the rental payment indicated on the lease
		agreement is less than the rental income
		reported on the tax returns, justification for
		using the income reported on the tax returns
		must be provided to warrant the use of the
		higher income. If no justification, the amount
		indicated on the lease agreement, less
		expenses, should be considered for rental
		income/loss.
		» Personal tax returns, including all schedules, for prior
		two years are required.
		<ul> <li>For properties listed on Schedule E of the borrower's tax returns, net rental income should</li> </ul>
		be calculated as "rents received minus total
		expenses <b>plus</b> depreciation <b>plus</b> interest <b>plus</b>
		taxes <b>plus</b> insurance <b>plus</b> HOA (if applicable) <b>divided by</b> applicable months <b>minus</b> current
		PITI". A 24-month average is used to qualify
		unless income is declining. In the event of
		declining income, the most recent 12-month
		average is used to qualify.
		<ul> <li>If the borrower purchased the rental property</li> </ul>
		subsequent to the most recent tax filing year a copy
		of the signed lease agreement, and a copy of the
		receipt for the security deposit, including copies of
		the borrower's bank statements showing the

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Rental Income - Departing Principal Residence	deposit, is required. When using a lease agreement, only 75% of the gross rents, minus the verified PITIA payment, may be used for qualifying  Net rental income must be added to the borrower's total monthly income. Net rental losses must be added to the borrower's total monthly obligations.  If the subject property is the borrower's primary residence (1-unit property or 1-unit property with an accessory unit) and generating rental income, the full PITI must be included in the borrower's total monthly obligations.  If the subject property is the borrower's primary residence with two (2) units, rental income may be included for the unit not occupied by the borrower so long as the requirements for a lease agreement and/or tax returns are met.  Commercial properties which report income or loss on Schedule E of the 1040's:  — Net rental income should be calculated as "rents received minus total expenses plus depreciation plus interest plus taxes plus insurance plus HOA (if applicable) divided by applicable months minus current PITI"  — PITIA must be documented  Lease required if income is used (positive or negative cash flow)  When a borrower vacates a principal residence in favor of another principal residence, 75% of the rental income, may be used in the underwriting analysis when there is documented equity of at least 30% in the property being rented  Bequity must be documented with:  A full appraisal or exterior only appraisal dated within 6 months of the Note date, OR  Evidence of the original sales price and the current unpaid principal balance.  The borrower must also provide:  A fully executed lease agreement,  Security deposit from the new tenant,
	<ul> <li>Evidence of the original sales price and the current unpaid principal balance.</li> <li>The borrower must also provide:         <ul> <li>A fully executed lease agreement,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	Income Type	Documentation Requirements
Income	Social Security Income	» Surviving spouse/children benefits with a defined
Documentation Requirements	Social Security Income	expiration date must have a remaining term of at least
(Cont'd)		three (3) years.
· · · ·		» Social Security income must be verified by a Social
		Security Administration benefit verification letter (sometimes called a "proof of income letter,"
		"budget letter," "benefits letter," or "proof of
		award letter"). If any benefits expire within the
		first three (3) full years of the loan, the income
		source may <b>not</b> be used in qualifying.
	Retirement Income	» Existing distribution of assets from an IRA, 401K or
	(Pension, Annuity, IRA	similar retirement asset account must be sufficient to
	Distributions)	sustain income continuance for a minimum of three
		(3) years. If any retirement income will cease with
		the first 3 years of the loan, the income is ineligible.
		- Verification of the assets is required, and
		- Distribution must have been set-up at least six (6)
		months prior to history of receipt, <b>OR</b>
		<ul> <li>Two (2) year history of receipt documented.</li> <li>NOTE: Distributions cannot be set up, or changed,</li> </ul>
		solely for loan qualification purposes
		» Document regular and continued receipt with any of the
		following:
		- Letters from the organization providing the income,
		or
		- Copies of retirement award letters, or
		- Copies of federal income tax returns (signed and
		dated on or before the closing date), or
		- Most recent IRS W-2 or 1099 forms, or
		- Proof of current receipt with two (2) months bank
	Alimani, Canavata	statements.
	Alimony, Separate Maintenance & Child	» Eligible with a divorce decree, court ordered
	Support	separation agreement, court decree, or other legal agreement provided that income will continue for at
		least three (3) years.
		NOTE: If the income is the borrower's primary
		income source and there is a defined
		expiration date (even if expiration date
		exceeds 3 years), the income may not be
		acceptable for qualifying purposes.
		» Documentation evidencing that the borrower has
		been receiving full, regular, and timely payments for the past 12 months.
		» Refer to the Non-Taxable Income section for guidance on
		child support income
	Capital Gains/Loss	» Capital gains for like assets may be considered as
		effective income if the gains are from similar assets
	(continued on next page)	for three (3) continuous years. The earnings trend or
		loss must be considered in the overall analysis of this
		income type. If the trend results in a gain, it may be
		added as effective income. If the trend consistently
		shows a loss, it must be deducted from the total income. NOTE: if the analysis reflects a carryover of a
		one-time capital loss, this would not be included as it

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	<ul> <li>would not establish a trend of losses).</li> <li>Tax returns for the prior three (3) years, including Schedule D to document receipt, are required.</li> <li>Gains must be consistent amounts from consistent sources.</li> <li>Documentation of assets similar to the assets reported as capital gains to support the continuation of the capital gain income is required</li> </ul>
Dividend/Interest Income	Interest and dividend income may be used for qualifying with documentation that supports a two (2) year history of receipt.  - Prior two (2) year's tax returns required, and - Proof of asset(s) to support the continuation of interest and dividend income.

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Income	Income Type	Documentation Requirements
Documentation	Stock Options & Restricted	May not be used as qualifying income.
Requirements	Stock Grants	
(Cont'd)	Note Income	<ul> <li>Income from a Note is eligible subject to the following:</li> <li>A copy of the Note must document the amount, frequency and duration of payments.</li> <li>Documentation substantiating regular receipt of Note income in the past twelve (12) months and the income is expected to continue for at least three (3) years is required</li> <li>Evidence of Note income must be reflected on the borrower's tax returns.</li> </ul>
	Trust Income	Income from trusts may be used if guaranteed and regular payments will continue for a minimum of three (3) years.  » Regular receipt of trust income for the past twelve (12) months must be documented.  » A copy of the Trust Agreement or Trustee Statement which indicates the following:  - Total amount of borrower-designated trust funds,  - Terms of payment,  - Duration of trust,  - Evidence the trust is irrevocable  » If trust fund assets are being used for down payment or closing costs, the loan file must contain adequate documentation to indicate the withdrawal of the assets will not negatively affect income.
	Foreign Income	Foreign income is eligible subject to the following:  » W-2 forms and personal tax returns reflecting foreign-earned income, including all schedules, for prior two (2) years to document receipt (income must be reported on two (2) years U.S. tax returns).  » Year-to-date (YTD) most recent pay stub  » Verbal Verification of Employment (VVOE)  » All income must be converted to U.S. currency
	Trailing Co-Borrowers	Not eligible
	Projected Income	Not eligible.  Not eligible.  On a case-by-case basis, projected income may be considered if the borrower has a non-revocable contract and employment will start within 60 days of loan closing. REMN WS management approval required.
	Non-Taxable Income (Child Support, Disability, Foster Care, Military, etc.)	<ul> <li>Eligible if documented income will continue for a minimum of three (3) years.</li> <li>Tax returns must confirm that income is non-taxable</li> <li>The amount of continuing tax savings attributed to the income not subject to federal taxes may be added to the borrower's gross income. The percentage of non-taxable income that may be added cannot exceed the appropriate tax rate for the income amount. Additional allowances for dependents are not allowed. Required documentation:         <ul> <li>The amount of income grossed-up for any non-taxable income source must be documented and supported,</li> <li>The same tax rate the borrower used to calculate their income tax from the prior year should be used</li> </ul> </li> <li>NOTE: If the borrower is not required to file a tax return, 25% is</li> </ul>

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	EMPLOYMENT & INCOME	
Ineligible Income Types	<ul> <li>Examples of ineligible income for qualifying purposes include, but are not limited to:         <ul> <li>Income from sources that cannot be verified,</li> <li>Income that is temporary or a one-time occurrence,</li> <li>Deferred compensation,</li> <li>Asset depletion,</li> <li>Restricted stock units</li> </ul> </li> <li>Rental income received from the borrower's primary residence – One (1) unit property or one (1) unit property with accessory unit</li> <li>Rental income received from the borrower's second home,</li> <li>Retained earnings,</li> <li>Education benefits,</li> <li>Trailing spouse income,</li> <li>Income that is not legal in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Examples include, but are not limited to:</li></ul>	
4506-T Form	<ul> <li>Businesses engaged in any type of internet gambling.</li> <li>Completed and signed 4506-T required prior to loan closing for both personal and business tax returns (if applicable) for all borrowers whose income was used for qualifying</li> <li>NOTE: IRS Form 4506-T Rev., dated 7-2017, with the attestation box checked, is required.</li> <li>The 4506-T must be processed and tax transcripts (both personal and business, if applicable) for two (2) years must be obtained for all borrowers to validate all income used for qualifying</li> <li>4506-T results must be validated against the income documentation in the loan file</li> <li>In the event tax returns were filed but the transcripts are not available from the IRS, the results</li> </ul>	
Automated Underwriting (AUS)	<ul> <li>In the event tax returns were filed but the transcripts are not available from the IRS, the results must reflect "No Record Found".</li> <li>An additional prior year's tax transcripts must be obtained.</li> <li>Large increases in income that cannot be validated through a tax transcript may only be considered for qualifying on a case-by-case basis.</li> <li>Not eligible</li> <li>Manual underwriting is required on all transactions.</li> </ul>	

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	ASSETS
General Asset Information	<ul> <li>Full asset documentation is required.</li> <li>Borrowers must disclose all liquid assets, in addition to the minimums required</li> <li>All assets must be verified as detailed in the below sections</li> <li>Cash on hand is ineligible as a source of assets.</li> <li>Asset documentation must be no older than 60 days from the Note date.</li> </ul>
Checking and Savings Accounts	<ul> <li>The two (2) most recent, consecutive months' statements (all pages) for both checking and savings accounts.</li> <li>A VOD is <b>not</b> acceptable in lieu of bank statements.</li> <li>Large deposits inconsistent with monthly income or other deposits must be verified.</li> </ul>
Marketable Securities/Stock Accounts	<ul> <li>The two (2) most recent, consecutive months' stock securities account statements are required (all pages).</li> <li>70% of the vested balance of stock accounts can be considered in the calculation of assets available for closing and reserves.</li> <li>NOTE: Non-vested accounts, stock options, restricted stock grants and restricted stock accounts are ineligible.</li> </ul>
Cryptocurrency	» Cryptocurrency is ineligible to be used as post-closing reserves and/or funds-to-close.
Retirement Accounts	<ul> <li>The most recent account statement (all pages) covering for a minimum of a two (2) month period</li> <li>Evidence of liquidation is required when funds are used for down payment or closing costs.</li> <li>If borrower is &lt; 59 ½ years old, 60% of the vested value of retirement accounts may be used to satisfy reserve requirements. Any outstanding loans must be deducted from the vested value.</li> <li>If borrower is &gt; 59 ½ years old, 70% of the vested value of the retirement account may be used to satisfy reserve requirements. Any outstanding loans must be deducted from the vested value.</li> <li>Retirement accounts that do not allow for any type of withdrawal are ineligible to use for reserves.</li> </ul>
Business Funds	<ul> <li>Business funds may be used for down payment and/or closing costs only subject to the following:         <ul> <li>A cash flow analysis using three (3) months business bank statements (all pages) to determine the withdrawal of the funds will not have a negative impact on the business is required.</li></ul></li></ul>
Cash Value of Life Insurance Policies/Annuities	<ul> <li>» 100% of the value is eligible unless subject to penalties</li> <li>» The most recent account statement (all pages), covering a minimum of a two (2) month period is required.</li> </ul>
Foreign Assets	» Funds from foreign assets/accounts are not eligible
Taxes Owed or Tax Extension	If the most recent tax return or a tax extension indicate a borrower owes money to the IRS or applicable state tax authority, evidence of sufficient assets to pay the debt must be documented if the amount due is within ninety (90) days of loan application.

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Gift Funds	» Gift funds are eligible subject to the following:		
One i dilas	<ul> <li>On purchase transactions, gift funds may be used once the 5% borrower own funds</li> </ul>		
	requirement is met.		
	- Gift funds are eligible for down payment (after borrower own funds requirement met)		
	and closing costs.		
	NOTE: Gift funds may not be used to satisfy reserve requirements.		
	» Gift funds are <b>ineligible</b> on the following:		
	- LTVs > 80%		
	- Investment property transactions		
	- First time homebuyer transactions		
	» The gift donor must be an immediate family member, future spouse, or domestic partner living		
	with the borrower		
	» A gift letter is required that includes the following donor information:		
	- Name,		
	- Address,		
	- Telephone, and		
	- Relationship to the borrower.		
	Proof of donor's funds and transfer/evidence of receipt by borrower must be documented.		
	- Acceptable documentation includes:		
	<ul> <li>A copy of the donor's check and borrower's deposit slip, or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>A copy of the donor's withdrawal slip and borrower's deposit slip, or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>A copy of the donor's check to the closing agent, or</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>A settlement statement/CD showing receipt of the donor's gift check.</li> </ul>		
	» Foreign assets/funds are <b>ineligible</b> as a source of gift funds.		
Gift of Equity	» Not Allowed		
1031 Exchanges	» Proceeds from a 1031 exchange in escrow, properly documented and in compliance with		
TOST Excilalizes	Internal Revenue Code Section 1031 are eligible as funds to close.		
	Both the sold property and subject property must be similar and qualify as "like-kind".		
	Tax-deferred exchanges are only eligible for purchases of investment properties.		
	NOTE: 2-4 unit properties where one of the units is occupied by the borrower are not		
	considered investment properties, and therefore are not eligible.		

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# Post-Closing Reserves

Borrowers should disclose **all** liquid assets (not just those required to satisfy reserve requirements) and those assets should be verified.

» Reserve requirements for the subject property:

Occupancy	Loan Amount	Required Reserves*	
		Purchase/Rate-	Cash-Out
		Term Refi	Refinance
	<u>&lt;</u> \$1,000,000	6 months PITIA	
Primary Residence	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	12 months PITIA	
- up to 80%	\$2,000,001 - \$2,500,000	12 months PITIA	18 months PITIA
LIV/CLIV	\$2,500,001 - \$3,000,000	18 months PITIA	N/A
Primary Residence - 80.01 - 90%	<u>&lt;</u> \$1,000,000	18 months PITIA	N/A
LTV/CLTV (Purchase Only)	\$1,000,001 - \$1,500,000	24 months PITIA	<mark>N/A</mark>
First Time Homebuyer –	<u>&lt;</u> \$1,000,000	12 months PITIA	N/A
Primary Residence	\$1,000,001 - \$1,500,000	18 months PITIA	N/A
Occupancy	Loan Amount	Required	Reserves*
	<u>&lt;</u> \$1,000,000	12 months PITIA	
Second Home	\$1,000,001 - \$1,500,000	12 months PITIA	
Second Home	\$1,500,001 - \$2,000,000	12 months PITIA	18 months PITIA
Occupancy	y Loan Amount Required Reserves*		Reserves*
Investment	<u>&lt;</u> \$1,500,000	12 mont	hs PITIA
Property	>\$1,500.000	12 months PITIA	

<sup>\*</sup>The following additional reserve requirements apply in addition to the applicable required reserves stated above for the subject transaction:

- <u>2-4 unit properties</u> minimum 12 months PITIA or the reserve requirement in the above table, whichever is greater.
- If the borrower has additional financed properties (other than the subject property) six (6) months PITIA is required for each additional property. Refer to the <u>Maximum Number of Financed Properties Owned</u> section for allowable number of financed properties.
- Minimum required reserves from non-retirement accounts:
  - o Primary Residence 3 months PITIA
  - Second Home 6 months PITIA
  - o Investment Property 6 months PITIA

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<sup>\*\*</sup>ARMs are not eligible on Second Home Cash-Out Refinance transactions.



#### **ASSETS**

#### Interested Party Contributions (IPC's)

#### **Interested Party Contributions**

- » Interested party contributions (IPC) include funds contributed by the property seller, builder, real estate agent/broker, mortgage lender, or their affiliates, or any other party with an interest in the real estate transaction.
- » IPC's may only be used for closing costs and prepaid items.
- » IPC's cannot be used to make the borrower's down payment, reserve requirements or to meet the minimum borrower contribution requirement.
- » Interested party contributions are limited as follows:

Occupancy Type	LTV/CLTV	Maximum Allowable Contribution
Primary Residence	> 80%	3%
or Second Home	≤ 80%	6%
Investment	All	2%

#### **Seller Concessions**

- » Seller concessions are defined as any interested party contribution beyond the limits stated above or any amounts not being used for closing costs or prepaid expenses (e.g. fund for repairs not completed prior to closing)
- » If a seller concession is present, both the appraised value and the sales price must be reduced by the concession amount when calculating the LTV/CLTV
- » All seller concessions must be addressed in the sales contract, appraisal, and HUD-1/CD

#### **Personal Property**

- » Any personal property transferred with the sale must indicate zero transfer value on the sales contract and the appraisal.
- » If any value is associated with the personal property, the sales price and appraised value must be reduced by the personal property value for purposes of calculating the LTV/CLTV.

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#### APPRAISAL, PROPERTY

#### **Appraisals**

Appraisal requirements are as follows:

Purchase Transactions	
First Lien Loan Amount	Appraisal Requirement
≤ \$2,000,000	One (1) full appraisal
> \$2,000,000	Two (2) full appraisals
Refinance Tr	ansactions
First Lien Loan Amount	Appraisal Requirement
≤ \$1,500,000	One (1) full appraisal
> \$1,500,000	Two (2) full appraisals

- » When two appraisals are required the following applies:
  - Appraisals must be completed by two independent appraisal companies. The same AMC may be utilized but the appraisals must be provided from two different appraisal companies.
  - The LTV will be determined by the lower of the two appraised values as long as the lower appraisal supports the value conclusion.
  - The REMN WS underwriter is responsible to review both appraisals and address any inconsistencies between the two reports and all discrepancies must be reconciled.
- » A Collateral Desktop Analysis is required for the subject property appraisal. The following valuation review process would apply based on the CDA being provided:

Collateral Desktop Analysis (CDA) Provided		
If CDA supports the appraised value, no additional	If the CDA returns a value that is "indeterminate" or if the CDA indicates	
reports are required	a lower value than the appraisal value that exceeds a 10% tolerance, one of the following requirements must be met:	
	<ul> <li>BPO and Value Reconciliation is required to support value</li> <li>Field review or 2<sup>nd</sup> full appraisal may be provided. The lower of two values will be used as the appraised value</li> </ul>	

- For transactions where two (2) full appraisals are required, the above valuation review process would still apply to the
  appraisal with the lower value.
- » Properties purchased by the seller of the property within 90 days of the fully executed purchase contract are subject to the following additional requirements:
  - Two (2) appraisals required, and
  - Property seller on the purchase contract must be the owner of record,
  - Increases in value should be fully documented by the appraiser and supported with recent paired sales.
- » Properties with values significantly in excess of the predominant value of the subject property's market are subject to REMN WS management review and approval.
- » Appraisals must be Uniform Appraisal Data (UAD) compliant and meet Fannie Mae's Appraiser Independence Requirements (AIR).
- » A Fannie Mae Market Conditions Addendum (1004MC) & a Fannie Mae Submission Summary Report is required on all appraisals.
- » If an applicable law, regulation or REMN WS policy requires more than one (1) appraisal be obtained, the single most accurate appraisal must be used for underwriting and submission to the Uniform Collateral Data Portal (UCDP).
- » A full appraisal must provide legible interior and exterior photos.
  - The exterior photos must contain photos of the front, back and street scene of the subject property as well as the front of all comparable sales.
  - The interior photos, at minimum, must include:
    - Kitchen, (free-standing stove/range or refrigerator not required)
    - Main living area,
    - All bathrooms,
    - Examples of physical deterioration, if present,
    - Examples of any recent updates, if present (i.e. remodel, renovation, restoration)
- » The source of the closed comparable sales used in the appraisal must be from one of the following or a desk review will be required:
  - A Multiple Listing Service (<u>MLS</u>), or
  - MRIS (www.mris.com), or
  - Midwest Real Estate Dated (MRED) (<u>www.mredllc.com</u>), or
  - North Texas Real Estate Information Systems, Inc. (NTREIS) at (<u>www.ntreis.net</u>), or
  - San Antonio Board of Realtors (www.sabor.com), or
  - GeoData at <u>www.geodataplus.com</u> , or
  - Comps Inc. at www.compsny.com.

NOTE: Comparables from a public independent source are only eligible in the states of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont.

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#### APPRAISALS, PROPERTY

# Appraisals (Cont'd)

- » Comparable sales cannot be > 6 months old at time of underwriting review.
- » Comparable sales used for new construction properties are subject to the following:
  - If all three of the comparable sales used to support the value of the subject property were obtained from one of the above sources (public source eligible in Vermont and Maine only) no further action is required.
  - If the comparable sales are not all obtained from a MLS, MRIS, MRED, NTREIS, or from an independent source (Vermont and Maine only), the appraiser must comment that the subject property development is being marketed in an "open" or "public" environment (i.e. newspaper advertisements, bill board signs, website, etc.).
  - Additionally, the following applies:
    - One of the comparable sales must be outside the project the subject property is located in and be from an MLS, MRIS, MRED, NTREIS, SABOR, GeoData, or Comps Inc. or public source (public source Maine/New Hampshire/Vermont only).
    - Two of the comparable sales must be from sources other than the subject property builder.

<u>NOTE</u>: The appraiser is always allowed to provide more than three (3) comparable sales in order to support the property value.

- » The appraisal must identify, and address properties located within a declining market.
- » Modular/Prefabricated homes: The appraiser must address the marketability of the property
- » The appraisal must contain a comparable rent schedule on transactions involving investment properties
- » Land value subject to Fannie Mae guidelines. The appraiser must comment if typical for the area and current use is highest and best use.
- » Properties with < 20 acres.
  - Properties >10 acres ≤20 acres must meet the following:
  - Maximum land value 35% (if land value exceeds 35%.
  - No income producing attributes.
  - Transaction must be 10% below the maximum LTV/CLTV as allowed per the LTV/CLTV matrix for transactions over 10 acres. For example, if borrower qualifies for a loan at 80% LTV based on the transaction (FICO, loan amount, reserves, etc.), then the maximum allowed would be 70%.
  - 20, 25, 30-year fixed rate only for transactions over 10 acres.
- » REMN WS requires properties to be, at minimum, in average condition. Additionally, the following applies:
  - A conventional heat source with the ability to maintain a temperature of 50° in areas of the property where there is plumbing.
  - Any broken glass that is a health hazard must be removed and the opening closed.
- » Appraisal transfers are ineligible
- » A new appraisal will be required when the appraisal is dated more than 120 days from the funding date. A re-certification is not allowed.
- » Properties located in a FEMA Disaster Declaration area will be subject to additional appraisal review.

# Appraisal Management Companies (AMC's)

- » Appraisal must be ordered from one of REMN WS's approved appraisal management companies (AMC's):
- ACT Appraisal Management
- » AMC (Appraisal Management Company
- AMC Settlement Services
- » Appraisal Nation
- » Appraisal-Tek
- » Assurant Mortgage Solutions
- » Axis Management Solutions
- » BRIDGE Appraisal Management Corp.
- » Class Valuation
- » Clear Capital
- » Golden State AMC
- GOT Appraisals
- » Karis Appraisal Management
- » Integrity Appraisal Management LLC
- » Lender's Choice Inc. (LCI)
- » MaxVantage Appraisal Management Company
- » Momentum Appraisal Group, Inc.
- » Mortgage Management Consulting (MMC)
- » Nationwide Appraisal Network

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Appraisal Management Companies (AMC's) Cont'd	<ul> <li>Nationwide Property &amp; Appraisal Services</li> <li>OrderProUSA</li> <li>Pendo Management Group</li> <li>Property Valuation Services, Inc. (Property Val)</li> <li>R3 Appraisal Management</li> <li>Service Link</li> <li>Solidifi US Inc.</li> <li>United States Appraisals</li> <li>USAMC</li> <li>Valuation Partners</li> <li>Value Trend Solutions</li> </ul>
Inspections	<ul> <li>Septic inspections are only required when the appraiser indicates there is evidence the septic system be failing.</li> <li>Termite inspections are only required when the purchase contract requires one, or the appraiser indicates there is evidence of active infestation.</li> <li>Well inspections are only required when state or local regulations require, or if there is indication the well may be contaminated.</li> </ul>
Property with an Accessory Unit	<ul> <li>Legal Accessory Unit</li> <li>Eligible on 1- unit single family properties only provided the following requirements are met:         <ul> <li>The appraisal must indicate the improvements are typical for the market.</li> <li>A minimum of one (1) comparable sale with the same use is required.</li> <li>The borrower must qualify for the mortgage without considering any rental income for the legal accessory unit.</li> <li>Illegal Accessory Unit</li> <li>If it is determined that the accessory unit does not comply with zoning the property is ineligible.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Property Flips	<ul> <li>Properties purchased by the seller of the property within 90 days of the fully executed purchase contract are subject to the following additional requirements:         <ul> <li>Two (2) appraisals required, and</li> <li>Property seller on the purchase contract must be the owner of record,</li> <li>Increases in value should be fully documented by the appraiser and supported with recent paired sales.</li> </ul> </li> <li>NOTE: The above requirements do not apply if the property seller is a bank that received the property as a result of a foreclosure or deed-in-lieu.</li> </ul>
Flood Insurance	Flood insurance requirements should include compliance with the HFIAA including the escrow requirement.
Hazard Insurance	<ul> <li>Ensure there is sufficient hazard insurance coverage and the coverage is in force at or prior to the loan consummation. If the coverage amount is less than the note amount:         <ul> <li>Explicit evidence of guaranteed replacement cost coverage must be provided, or</li> <li>A replacement cost estimator must be provided to evidence adequate dwelling coverage.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Escrow Holdbacks	Not allowed

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