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		Owner Oc	cupied			
Transaction Type	Units	Maximum LTV ¹ /	CLTV ² /HCI	LTV	Loan Amount ³	Credit Score
	4.11	Amortization Type	DU 10.2	DU 10.3		
	1 Unit	Fixed Rate	97.0	00% <mark>6</mark>	See Below	Per AUS
Purchase		ARM	95.	.00%	See Below	Pel AUS
Limited Cash-Out	Manufactured	Fixed Rate/ARM (7/6	95	.00%		
	Home	and 10/6 only)				
	2 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM		.00%	See Below	Per AUS
	3-4 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	95.	.00%	See Below	Per AUS
	1 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	80.	.00%		
Cash-Out⁵	Manufactured Home	Fixed (15-20yr only)/ARM (7/6 and 10/6 only)	65.00%		See Below	Per AUS
	2-4 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	75.	.00%	See Below	Per AUS
	2	Second H	-			
		Amortization Type	DU 10.2	DU 10.3		
Purchase	1 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	90.0			
Limited Cash-Out	Manufactured Home	Fixed Rate	90.0		See Below	Per AUS
Cash-Out⁵	1 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	75.0	00%	See Below	Per AUS
		Non-Owner (Occupied			
Purchase	1 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	85.0	00%	See Below	Per AUS
Fulcilase	2-4 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	75.0	00%	See Below	Per AUS
Limited Cash-Out	1-4 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	75.0	00%	See Below	Per AUS
Cash-Out⁵	1 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	75.0	00%	See Below	Per AUS
Casii-Out	2-4 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM	70.0	00%	See Below	Per AUS
		Maximum Loan	Limits 202	<mark>.6</mark>		
Number	of Units	Contiguou District of Columb		o Rico	Alaska, Guam, Hav & US Virgi	The second secon
	1	\$832,	<mark>750</mark>		\$1,249	
	2	<mark>\$1,066</mark>	<mark>,250</mark>		<mark>\$1,59</mark> 9	9 <mark>,375</mark>
;	3	\$ <mark>1,288,800</mark>		<mark>\$1,933,200</mark>		
4	4	\$1,601,750			\$2,402,625	
		Maximum Loan	Limits 202	<u>!5</u>		
		Contiguou			Alaska, Guam, Hav	waii (All Counties
Number	of Units	District of Columb	District of Columbia & Puerto Rico		& US Virgin Islands	
	1	\$806,	500		\$1,209	
	2	\$1,032	\$1,032,650		\$1,548	
	3	\$1,248,150			\$1,872,225	
4 \$1,551,250 \$2,326,875						
Footnotes	Financed MI; the n 2 105% CLTV Commu only if the mortgag the LTV/CLTV/HCL' 3 REMN Minimum Lo 4 DU performs its ow 5 If the property wa	ires Mortgage Insurance (Inaximums as indicated abounity Seconds: With the except is part of a Community STV ratio indicated above. Dan Amount - \$50,000. (\$15 on analysis of the credit reputs purchased within the print the loan meets the Delayer	ve cannot be eption of AR econds tran 50,000 for Ir ort data. or six (6) m	e exceeded of the loans, the loans, the loans of the loan	with DU Version 9.1. c CLTV ratio may exceed to wever; 5, 7 & 10 year AR roperties)	the limits stated abo IM loans are limited

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⁶ LTV, CLTV and HCLTV Ratios greater than 95.00%: Purchase transactions, at least one (1) borrower must be a first-time home buyer (excluding HomeReady). Limited Cash-Out Refinances, FNMA must be owner of existing mortgage.

	HIGH-BALANCE LOAN PRODUCT MATRIX					
		Primary F	Residence			
Transaction Type	Units	r	/laximum LT\	//CLTV/HCLTV		Credit Score
Durchasa	1 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	95.00%		Per AUS
Purchase Limited Cash-Out	2 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	85.00%		Per AUS
Lillilled Cash-Out	3-4 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	75.00%		Per AUS
Cash Out	1 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	80.00%		Per AUS
Cash-Out	2-4 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	75.00%		Per AUS
		Second	l Home			
Purchase Limited Cash-Out	1 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	90.00%		Per AUS
Cash-Out	1 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	75.00%		Per AUS
		Non-Owne	r Occupied			
Purchase	1 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	85.00%		Per AUS
Pulcilase	2-4 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	75.00%		Per AUS
Limited Cash-Out	1-4 Unit	Fixed Ra	te/ARM	75.00%		Per AUS
Cash Out	1 Unit	Fixed Ra	Fixed Rate/ARM			Per AUS
Cash-Out	2-4 Unit	Fixed Rate/ARM 70.00%			Per AUS	
	Maximum Loan Limits for High Cost Areas 2026					
Number of Units District of Columbia & Puerto Counties Other Counties Other Counties			ska, Guam, Hawaii <mark>(All</mark> <mark>Other Counties)</mark> & US Virgin Islands			

Number of Units	Contiguous States District of Columbia & Puerto Rico	Hawaii (Kalawao & Maui Counties)	Alaska, Guam, Hawaii <mark>(All</mark> <mark>Other Counties)</mark> & US Virgin Islands
1	<mark>\$1,249,125</mark>	<mark>\$1,299,500</mark>	N/A
2	<mark>\$1,599,375</mark>	<mark>\$1,633,600</mark>	N/A
3	<mark>\$1,933,200</mark>	<mark>\$2,010,950</mark>	N/A
4	\$2,402,625	\$2,499,100	N/A

Maximum Loan Limits for High Cost Areas 2025

Number of Units	Contiguous States &	Alaska, Guam, Hawaii (All Counties)
	District of Columbia	& US Virgin Islands
1	\$1,209,750	N/A
2	\$1,548,975	N/A
3	\$1,872,225	N/A
4	\$2,326,875	N/A

[»] High Balance mortgage loans (HBLs) are subject to high-cost area loan limits set annually by the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA). Refer to FNMA's website for eligible areas and loan limits for each area; see Loan Limits Page. The Loan Look-Up Table 2024 can be found under the Resources section on the left side of the page.

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Note: Regarding refinance of existing FNMA loans, the refinance loan must meet the loan limits applicable at the time of sale of the refinanced loan to FNMA, regardless of whether higher limits might have applied to the existing loan being refinanced.

[»] Puerto Rico and a number of other states do not have any high cost areas in 2025/2026.

	HIGH BALANCE PRODUCT OVERVIEW
HBL Loan Purpose	» Purchase, Limited Cash-Out Refinance & Cash-Out Refinance eligible on all property types & occupancy
	types for High Balance. See <u>High Balance Loan Product Matrix</u> for details.
HBL Property Type	» 1-4 Unit; including condos
HBL Underwriting	» DU Approve/Eligible recommendation must be received.
HBL Mortgage	» Loans with >80% LTV, mortgage insurance is required and are subject to MI guidelines. The more
Insurance	restrictive of REMN or MI company guidelines apply.
	» Eligible MI products:
	 Borrower-paid Mortgage Insurance (BPMI). Monthly or single premiums are eligible.
	 REMN-paid Mortgage Insurance (LPMI). Single premium only.
	» Eligible MI options:
	 Financed MI eligible for BPMI single premium
	– Non-refundable
	 Refundable (eligible with BPMI single premium only)
	 Renewal type, as applicable
	Level/constant
	Declining /amortized
	REMN approved MI companies: Arch, Essent, Enact, MGIC, National, Radian
	LPMI
	» Broker must indicate LPMI when locking loan. Refer to REMN Rate Sheet for pricing.
HBL Appraisal	Standard appraisal requirements apply.
Requirements	

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	97% PRODUCT OPTION MAT	
	Fannie Mae Standard 97%	FNMA HomeReady*
Eligible Loan Type	Fixed Rate up to 30yrs	Fixed Rate up to 30yrs
Loan Purpose	Purchase	Purchase
	Limited Cash-Out Refinance	Limited Cash-Out Refinance
Property &	1-unit Primary Residence (SFR, Warrantable	1-unit Primary Residence (SFR, Warrantable
Occupancy	Condo/PUD)	Condo/PUD); 2-4 unit allowed to standard LTV/CLTV's
LTV/CLTV/CLTV Limits	Purchase/Limited Cash-Out – 97.00%*	1 Unit Purchase – 97% LTV* / 105% CLTV**
	LTV/CLTV/HCLTV	1 Unit LCOR – limited to 95% LTV/CLTV
	CLTV's up to 105% - allowed w/ Community 2 nd	**CLTV's up to 105% allowed w/ eligible
	loan.	Community Seconds program.
	*Limited Cash-Out Refi w/ 95.01-97% LTV –	*Limited Cash-Out Refi w/ 95.01-97% LTV –
	existing loan must be owned or securitized by	existing loan must be owned or securitized by
	Fannie Mae.	Fannie Mae.
<mark>Maximum Loan</mark>		<mark>\$832,750</mark>
<mark>Amount</mark>	\$832,750	High Balance loan limits allowed at standard
		LTV/CLTV limits.
Underwriting Method	DU Approve/Eligible only	DU Approve/Eligible only
First Time Homebuyer	At least one (1) borrower must be a FTHB	Not required
(Purchase)		
Non-Occupant Co-	Non-Occupant Co-Borrowers are permitted up to	Non-Occupant Co-Borrowers are permitted up to
Borrowers	95% w/ DU Approve/Eligible findings	95% w/ DU Approve/Eligible findings
Ownership of Other	No limit on borrower's ownership in other	Borrowers (Occupant & Non-Occupant) are
Property	residential property at time of closing.	allowed to own other residential properties at
		time of loan transaction. Max financed properties
		is 2, including subject.
Borrower Income	No Income Limits	» Total annual qualifying income may not
Limits		exceed 80% of the AMI (area median income)
		for the property's location
		» DU findings will reference Fannie Mae AMI's
Boarder Income	Not permitted	Permitted – 1 unit only
		Up to 30% of the qualifying income
		Must document at least 12mos of shared
		residency Boarder cannot be obligated on the mortgage or
Accessory Dwelling	Not normitted	have ownership interest in the property Permitted – 1 unit only
Accessory Dwelling Units	Not permitted	Rental income from the unit considered in
Offics		qualifying the borrower per rental income
		guidelines.
Mortgage Insurance	35%	25%
Coverage	33/0	
Cash on Hand	Not allowed	Allowed – 1 unit only
Homeownership	Homeownership education & counseling required	Homeownership education & counseling required
Education & Housing	for at least one (1) borrower on purchase	for at least one borrower on purchase transactions
Counseling	transactions with LTV/CLTV/HCLTV > 95%, when all	when all occupying borrowers are first-time
	occupying borrowers are first-time homebuyers	homebuyers
*Please reference the R	EMN FNMA HomeReady Product Description for addit	

^{*}Please reference the REMN FNMA HomeReady Product Description for additional program guidelines and criteria that apply to Fannie Mae HomeReady.

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	97% LIMITED CA	ASH-OUT REFINANCE TRANSACTIONS		
Existing Loan	Documentation may come REMN's servicing syst Current servicer (if RE FNMA's Loan Lookup Any other source conf	nat the existing loan being refinanced is e from; em, EMN is not the servicer), Tool; or,	s owned (or securitized) by FNMA.	
LTV, CLTV and HCLTV	LTV	CLTV	HCLTV	
Ratios	95.01% - 97.00%	95.01% - 97.00% 105.00% - With Community Seconds® loan.	95.01% - 97.00%	
Maximum Loan	» \$832,750	,		
Eligible Loan Type	» Fixed Rate – Up to 30-year terms			
Ineligible Loan Type	» High Balance» Adjustable Rate			
Property and	» 1 Unit Principal Residence (including Condo/PUD)			
Occupancy	» Manufactured housing is not permitted.			
Underwriting	» DU ONLY	<u> </u>		
Method	» Approve/Eligible			
Mortgage Insurance Coverage	» 35%			
Other	» All standard limited cash-o	out refinance policies apply.		

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	PRODUCT OVERVIEW
Eligible Transactions	
Eligible Hallsactions	
Eli il I. B	» Cash-Out Refinance
Eligible Properties	» 1-4 Unit
	- A one-unit property with an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) is defined as a one-unit property and
	subject to all one-unit requirements, unless otherwise stated.
	» Condominiums (Attached – Established Projects Only/Detached)
	» Townhomes – PUD's (Attached/Detached)
	» Manufactured Homes (in all states except for New York) – see Manufactured Home Product Compare
	on <u>www.remnwholesale.com</u> for complete guidelines/criteria
	» TBD (To Be Determined) Properties
Ineligible	» Manual Underwrite
Transactions	» DU Findings <u>without</u> Approve/Eligible recommendation
	» MCC (Mortgage Credit Certificate) programs; allowed after closing (cannot be used for qualifying
	purposes)
	» Land Trusts (Community Land Trusts are eligible)
	» Loans subject to Private Transfer Fees (PTF's)
	 Excluding loans with private transfer fees paid to homeowners' associations, condominiums, and
	certain tax-exempt organizations that use private transfer fee proceeds to benefit the property.
	Fees that do not directly benefit the property would disqualify mortgages from being originated
	by REMN.
	» Power of Attorney on a Cash-Out Refinance transaction.
	» Single-Close Construction-to-Permanent
	» Loans with PACE or HERO programs as a secondary/subordinate financing option (all states)
	» Loans with qualifying income earned from state-legalized marijuana businesses, where the income is
	not standard W-2 and/or is considered self-employed. Please refer to <u>General Income Documentation</u>
	Requirements section for further details.
	» Loans where a borrower(s) has a Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status and does not
	meet the eligibility requirements as defined in the Non-U.S. Citizens section.
	» Homestyle Renovation
Ineligible Properties	» Non-warrantable condo & new attached condo projects
	» Cooperatives
	» Vacant land or land development properties,
	» Properties that are net readily accessible by roads that meet local standards,
	» Agricultural properties, such as farms or ranches,
	» Units in Condo or Co-op Hotels (See B4-2.1-02 Ineligible Projects 5-28-2014) for complete listing of
	ineligible properties,
	» Boarding houses (Group Homes are not considered to be boarding houses),
	» Bed and breakfast properties; or
	» Properties not suitable for year-round occupancy regardless of location.
	» Properties located in Lava Zones 1 & 2
	» Manufactured homes located in the state of New York
Excluded Party Lists	» REMN requires that a DataVerify DRIVE report be generated and analyzed for all loans at approval and
	updated prior to underwriting clearance.
Assumption	» Not permitted
Prepayment Penalty	» Not permitted

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CEMA	Properties located in the state of New York may be structured as a Consolidation, Extension & Modification Agreement (CEMA) transaction (refinances only). The most current version of Fannie Mae/Freddie Mac Uniform Instrument (Form 3172) must be used. The following documentation must be provided: » New York Consolidation, Extension and Modification Agreement (Form 3172) » Original Note(s) – Original documents signed by the applicant » Gap Note and Gap Mortgage, if applicable » Consolidated Note – Original documents signed by the borrower » Exhibit A – Listing of all Notes & Mortgages being consolidated, extended and modified » Exhibit B – Legal description of the subject property » Exhibit C – Copy of the consolidated Note » Exhibit D – Copy of the consolidated Mortgage Lost Note Affidavits are not acceptable
Mortgage Insurance	 Loans with >80% LTV, mortgage insurance is required and are subject to MI guidelines. The more restrictive of REMN or MI company guidelines apply. Eligible MI products: Borrower-paid Mortgage Insurance (BPMI). Monthly or single premiums are eligible. REMN-paid Mortgage Insurance (LPMI). Single premium only. Eligible MI options: Financed MI eligible for BPMI single premium Non-refundable Refundable (eligible with BPMI single premium only) Renewal type, as applicable

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PRODUCT OVERVIEW							
Mortgage Insurance	Under a New York statute, a mortgage insurer must issue mortgage insurance based on a determination						
LTV Determination	of the "fair market value" of the property. The term "fair market value" is not defined in the statute but						
for New York State	has been defined by the NY insurance regulator as being the "appraised value".						
	The following table identifies the value calculation that is to be used for mortgage loans secured by						
				e based on the LTV ra			
	LTV Ratio Ca	•	Policy				
	LTV ratio based on t	he appraised	>>	REMNs must base t	heir determination of	when mortgage	
	value				quired solely on the a		
				the property. If the	appraised value exce	eds the sales price,	
				this determination	may result in MI not b	eing placed on the	
					ould otherwise be re	quired using FNMA's	
				standard definition			
			»		esults in MI not being	•	
					be required, REMN n		
					MI Absence Reason T	ype of "No IVII Based	
	LTV ratio based on t	ha lawar of tha	»	on Original LTV" (So	use of appraised value	o or calos prico for	
	sales price or apprai		"	•	• •	•	
	(standard LTV ratio		determining whether MI is required, the standard LTV calculation must be used to determine the level of MI				
	all property types			coverage that is required on the mortgage loan. (See MI			
				Coverage Requiren	nents for additional in	formation).	
				 Determine whether the loan satisfies any of 			
						teria that are based on	
					tio of the loan;		
					Determine any loan-level price adjustments that include LTV or CLTV ratios as a rick attribute, and		
		 include LTV or CLTV ratios as a risk attribute; a When the loan is delivered to FNMA (Sort ID 2 			•		
		The standard LTV ratio must be delivered, even the appraised value or sales price is used to					
					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
MI Coverage	Transaction Type	80.01% - 85.00%	determine that mortgage insurance is not required. 98 85.01% - 90.00% 90.01% - 95.00% 95.01% - 97.00%				
Requirements	Fixed Rate	C0/		120/	250/	250/	
(Standard)	≤ 20 Years	6%		12%	25%	35%	
	Fixed Rate						
	> 20 Years	12%		25%	30%	35%	
	ARMS						
ARMs		ed ARM Product					
	- Terms: 5/6,		0/6	ADMc 5/1/5			
	 Caps: 5/6 ARM – 2/1/5; 7/6, 10/6 ARMs - 5/1/5 Margin: 3.000 						
 Index: 30-Day Avg Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) Qualifying Payment Initial fixed rate period of 5 years or less (6 Month to 5 Year ARM) – Qualifying Payment 			OFR)				
			,				
			Year ARM) – Qualify	at the greater of the			
	indexed note rate or the note rate + 2%.						
	 Initial fixed rate period of greater than 5 years (7/6 and 10/6) - Qualify at no less than the notes. 				o less than the note		
	rate.						
	The fully indexed rate is defined as the index plus margin, as entered in DU.						
	HPML and HPCT are qualified at the greater of the note rate or the fully indexed rate. The index and program are required for all APM league submitted for under writing for DLL.						
	» The index and margin are required for all ARM loans submitted for underwriting for DU.						

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Temporary Buydowns

General Requirements for Loans with Temporary Interest Rate Buydown Plans

- » Temporary interest rate buydowns are allowed on fixed-rate mortgages for principal residences or second homes provided the rate reduction does not exceed 3%, and the rate increase will not exceed 1% per year
- » The buydown plan must be a written agreement between the party providing the buydown funds and the borrower
- » All of the terms of the buydown plan must be disclosed to Fannie Mae, the mortgage insurer, and the property appraiser
- » The mortgage instruments must reflect the permanent payment terms rather than the terms of the buydown plan. In no event may the buydown plan change the terms of the mortgage note.

Buydown Funds Provided by Interested Parties to the Transaction

» When the source of the buydown funds is an interested party to the property sale or purchase transaction, Fannie Mae's interested-party contribution limits apply

Who Funds the Buydown

- » Temporary buydowns may be funded by the following (No Exceptions):
 - o REMN (purchase)
 - o The Listing or Selling Real Estate Agent (purchase)
 - o The Seller (purchase)
 - The Borrower (purchase and rate/term refinance)
 - NOTE: Borrower-funded subsidy amounts must be calculated in the QM points & fees cap, and pass compliance testing
 - Note: Buydowns may be funded by <u>only one</u> of the above parties. Buydowns may not be split or funded by more than one party.

Buydown Agreements

- The buydown agreement must provide that the borrower is not relieved of his or her obligation to make the mortgage payments required by the terms of the mortgage note if, for any reason, the buydown funds are not available
- » The buydown agreement may include an option for the buydown funds to be returned to the borrower if the mortgage is paid off before all of the funds have been applied
- » A copy of the buydown agreement must be included in the delivery documentation for the mortgage

Eligible Transaction Types

» The following table lists the transaction types that are eligible and ineligible for temporary buydowns:

Transaction Type	Eligibility
Principal Residence	Eligible
Second Homes	Eligible
Investment Properties	Ineligible
Rate & Term Refinance Transactions	Eligible
Cash-Out Refinance Transactions	Ineligible
ARMs	Ineligible
Texas Section 50(a)(6) Refinances	Ineligible
Manufactured Homes	Eligible

Qualifying the Borrower

» When underwriting loans that have a temporary interest rate buydown, REMN must qualify the borrower based on the note rate without consideration of the bought-down rate

Terms of the Buydown

- » REMN does not place a limit on the total dollar amount of an interest rate buydown
- » REMN offers 3/2/1, 2/1, 1/1/1, 1/1, and 1/0 options
- » The total dollar amount of an interest rate buydown must be consistent with the terms of the buydown period
- » An interest rate buydown plan must provide for:
 - A buydown period not greater than 36 months, and
 - Increases of not more than 1% in the portion of the interest rate paid by the borrower in each twelve (12) month interval

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More frequent changes are permitted as long as the total annual increase does not exceed 1%

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Buydowns (Cont'd)

Buydown Funds

The following are Fannie Mae requirements for treatment of buydown funds:

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- » Buydown accounts must be established and fully funded by the time REMN submits the mortgage to Fannie Mae for purchase or securitization
- » Funds for buydown accounts must be deposited into custodial bank accounts Note: Buydown funds cannot be included in accounts with REMN's other corporate funds
- » The borrower's only interest in buydown funds is to have them applied toward payments as they come due under the note
- » Buydown funds are not refundable unless the mortgage is paid off before all the funds have been applied
- » Buydown funds cannot be used to pay past-due payments
- » Buydown funds cannot be used to reduce the mortgage amount for purposes of determining the LTV ratio

Disposing of Buydown Funds

» If the mortgage is liquidated or the property is sold during the buydown period, REMN should dispose of the buydown funds in the following manner:

Status of Mortgage	Disposition of Funds
The mortgage is paid in full	The funds should be credited to the total amount required to pay off the mortgage, or they may be returned to either the borrower or REMN, as specified in the buydown agreement
The mortgage is foreclosed	The funds are used to reduce the mortgage debt
The property is sold, and the mortgage is assumed by the purchaser	The funds may continue to be used to reduce the mortgage payments under the original terms of the buydown plan

Delivery Requirements

The following special feature codes (SFC) must be delivered, depending on the type of interest rate buydown:

	If the temporary interest rate buydown provides for:	Then the mortgage loan must be identified with:
_	A difference of 2 percentage points or less between the actual note rate and the "bought down" interest rate, or A buydown period of 2 years or less	SFC 009
_	A difference of more than 2 percentage points between the actual note rate and the "bought down" rate, or A buydown period greater than 2 years	SFC 014

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Occupancy	» Owner Occupied					
	» Second Home» Non-Owner Occupied					
Principal Residence		that the borrower occupies as his or her primary residence. The				
Principal Residence Properties		s in which FNMA considers a residence to be a principal residence				
rioperties	even though the borrower will not					
	Borrower Types	Requirements for Owner-Occupancy				
	Multiple Borrowers	Only one borrower needs to occupy and take title to the property, except as otherwise required for mortgage that have guarantors or co-signers.				
	Military Service Borrowers	A military service member borrower currently on active duty and temporarily absent from their principal residence because of military service is considered to be an owner occupant. Lenders must verify the borrower's temporary absence from the subject property by obtaining a copy of the borrower's military orders. The military orders must evidence the borrower will be absent from the subject property as of the date the owner occupancy must be established as required by the security instrument. Loans that meet these requirements must be delivered with Special Feature Code 754.				
	Parents of legal guardian wanting to provide housing for their handicapped	If the child is unable to work or does not have sufficient income to qualify for a mortgage on his/her own, the parent or legal				
	or disabled adult child	guardian is considered the owner/occupant.				
	Children wanting to provide housing	If the parent is unable to work or does not have sufficient income				
	for parents	to qualify for a mortgage on his/her own, the child is considered the owner/occupant.				
Second Home	» Second Home Requirements	the owner, occupant.				
Properties	·	porrower for some portion of the year				
	Is restricted to one-unit dwellings					
	Must be suitable for year-round occupancy					
	 Borrowers must have exclusive control over the property 					
	 Must not be rental property or a timeshare arrangement If rental income is identified from the property, the loan is eligible for del Second Home as long as the income is not used for qualifying purposes, and requirements for Second Homes are met (including the occupancy req above). Cannot be subject to any agreements that give a management firm control occupancy of the property. 					

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Investment Properties	 An investment property is owned but not occupied by the borrower. An LLPA applies to all mortgage loans secured by an investment property. These LLPA's are in addition to any other price adjustments that are otherwise applicable to the particular transaction. For borrowers who are natural-person individuals, eligibility and pricing for group homes will be the same as currently provided under the terms and conditions established for investment, second home, or owner-occupied properties, depending on the particular occupancy status. Investment properties that are or will be leased to business entities for use as a group home are eligible for purchase by Fannie Mae (provided all borrowers are individuals).
Tax Exemptions / Abatements	 There can be no uncertainty about whether the borrower qualifies for the homestead, abatement or other tax exemption or reduction. For the lower amount to be used for qualifying purposes; evidence the abatement, homestead or exception is unconditionally approved prior to the first mortgage payment for a purchase transaction or is in effect for a refinance transaction and remains in place for a minimum of five (5) years after closing.
Escrow/Impounds	 First mortgages generally must provide for the deposit of escrow funds to pay as they come due, including taxes, ground rents, premiums for property insurance, and premiums for flood insurance. However, escrow deposits for payments of premiums for borrower-purchased mortgage insurance (MI), if applicable, are mandatory. Fannie Mae does not require an escrow deposit for proper ty or flood insurance premiums for an individual unit in a condo or PUD when the project in which the unit is located is covered by a blanket insurance policy purchased by the homeowner's association (HOA) If a special assessment levied against the property was not paid at loan closing, the borrower's payment must include appropriate accruals to ensure that any estimated annual payment toward the assessment will be accumulated by the time it comes due. For certain refinance transactions where the borrower is financing real estate taxes in the loan amount, an escrow account is required, subject to applicable laws or regulations – see Cash-Out Refinance section for more information.

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Escrow Waivers –	» REMN allows for the waiving of escrows, depending on the loan type, the LTV, and the borrower(s)				
REMN Policy	financial ability to pay the lump sum payments of taxes and insurance.				
	 REMN allows for the partial waiver of tax and homeowners insurance escrows. However, if a 				
	waiver is chosen for:				
	 Taxes – all taxes must be waived. For example, a borrower may not waive county taxes and 				
	escrow for school taxes.				
	 Insurance – all insurance (hurricane, wind, etc.), with the exception of flood, must be waived. 				
	Flood insurance escrow waivers are not permitted				
	 For subject properties not located in CA, REMN does not allow for the waiving of escrows when 				
	a loan requires mortgage insurance, regardless if the mortgage insurance is REMN-paid or				
	borrower-paid.				
	 For subject properties located in CA, an escrow waiver is permitted if the LTV is < 90%. 				
	 Refinance transactions where the escrow deposit accounts for current or prior year taxes that 				
	were sixty (60) days or more delinquent and are being included in the new loan amount are				
	considered cash out transactions. Escrows may not be waived.				
	» Any conflict between REMN policy and state law must default to the state law.				
	» For further details and complete guidance on this topic, please reference the REMN Escrow Waiver				
	policy & procedure.				
Non-Arm's Length	» Non-Arm's Length transactions are purchase transactions in which there is a relationship or business				
Transactions	affiliation between the seller and the buyer of the property				
	» FNMA allows for the purchase of existing properties				
	» Newly constructed properties, if the borrower has a relationship or business affiliation (any ownership				
	interest or employment) with the builder, developer or seller of the property, FNMA will only purchase				
	mortgage loans secured by primary residences				
	» FNMA will not purchase mortgage loans on newly constructions homes secured by a second home or				
	investment property if the borrower has a relationship or business affiliation with the builder,				
	developer or seller of the property				
	» Non-Arm's Length transactions are not eligible when using <u>Delayed Financing</u>				
Principal Curtailment	» A principal curtailment is the application of funds that are used to reduce the unpaid principal balance				
	of the mortgage loan.				
	» REMN may apply a curtailment to refund the overpayment of fees or charges paid by the borrower, in				
	any amount, in accordance with applicable regulatory requirements				
	» If the borrower receives more cash back than is permitted for limited cash-out refinances, REMN can				
	apply a curtailment to reduce the amount of cash back to the borrower to bring the loan into				
	compliance with the maximum cash-back requirement. The maximum amount of the curtailment cannot exceed the lesser of \$2,500 or 2% of the original loan amount for the subject loan.				
	 For example, if the borrower received \$4,500 cash back at closing on a loan amount of \$400,000, 				
	REMN could apply a \$2,500 curtailment. This would result in "net cash back" to the borrower of				
	\$2,000, thus meeting FNMA's limited cash-out refinance requirement.				
	» If the curtailment is made at the time of closing, it must be documented on the CD with the amount				
	of the curtailment and the reason.				

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Power of Attorney	» Please refer to the following links:						
	 REMN POA Policy & Procedure Checklist. 						
	 Fannie Mae Selling Guide POA Requirements 						
DU Loan Casefiles	» Approve/Eligible Findings required.						
	» When DU identifies bankruptcy, foreclosure, deed-in-lieu, pre-foreclosure, or mortgage charge-off, it						
	is up to REMN to determine if the waiting period has been met. DU will indicate that the waiting period						
	is measured from the disbursement date of the new loan, not the credit report date.						
	Waiting Period						
	» On loan casefiles where DU measures the waiting period and uses that information in the eligibility						
	assessment, the credit report date will continue to be used as DU does not know the disbursement						
	date of the new loan. For loan casefiles that will have met the waiting period requirement based on						
	the disbursement date, but not credit report date, REMN may pull a new report after the waiting period						
	has elapsed in order to receive an Eligible recommendation.						
Compensating	» For loans underwritten with DU, DU will determine the reserve requirements based on the overall risk						
Factors	assessment of the loan and the minimum reserves that may be required for the transaction						
	 Reserves may be considered a compensating factor in DU's risk analysis and may serve to improv 						
	the underwriting recommendation.						
	» For loans underwritten through DU, DU will determine the maximum allowable debt-to-income ratio						
	based on the overall risk assessment of the loan file.						
	 DU will apply a maximum allowable total expense ratio of 45.00%; with flexibilities offered up to 						
	50.00% for certain loan files with strong compensating factors as accepted by DU.						
	With release of DU 10.3, cash-out refinance transactions for borrowers with DTI ratio						
	exceeding 45% must have at least six (6) months reserves. If < 6mos, an Ineligible						
	recommendation will be received.						

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DU Credit Report Analysis

Prior Bankruptcy, Foreclosure, Deed-in-Lieu, Pre-foreclosure Sales and Charge-Off Mortgage Accounts

- See <u>Identification of Significant Derogatory Credit Events</u>, <u>Waiting Period</u> and <u>Re-Established Credit</u> for additional information on these types of accounts.
 NOTE: DU is not able to identify whether the borrower's derogatory credit event(s) was the result of
 - extenuating circumstances. See Extenuating Circumstances for additional information.
- » Per the requirements of Significant Derogatory Credit Events Waiting Periods and Re-establishing Credit, an amount of time must elapse (the "waiting period") after a significant derogatory credit event before the borrower is eligible for a new loan. The waiting period commences on the completion, discharge or dismissal date (as applicable) of the derogatory credit event and ends on the disbursement date of the new loan. Because DU does not have the disbursement date of the subject loan, DU uses the date of the credit report to measure whether or not the applicable waiting period has been met. However, because the credit report date may not result in an accurate calculation of the waiting period (it is earlier than the disbursement date), REMN may use the disbursement date to confirm that the waiting period has been met.

waiting period has been met.					
Event		Me	asurement of Waiting Period		
	» Bankru	ptcy	»	If the completion, discharge or dismissal dates (as applicable) reflected in	
	» Foreclo	osure	»	the credit report are complete and appears to comply with the applicable waiting period requirements, DU will issue a recommendation, but REMN must still confirm that the waiting period has been met and may base our determination on the disbursement date of the new loan. If the completion, discharge or dismissal dates (as applicable) reflected in the credit report are complete, but do not appear to comply with the applicable waiting period requirements, a Refer with Caution recommendation will be issued. DU uses the date of the credit report to determine whether or not the applicable waiting period has been met. REMN may obtain an updated credit report and resubmit to DU after the required time has elapsed. If the completion, discharge or dismissal dates (as applicable) reflected in the credit report are incomplete, REMN must confirm that the waiting period has been met and base our determination on the disbursement date of the new loan.	
	» Deed-ir	n-Lieu of	»	DU is not able to determine when the even occurred. Therefore, it is not	
	Foreclo	sure		able to confirm if the applicable waiting period has been met.	
	» Pre-for	eclosure Sale	»	REMN must confirm the waiting period requirement has been met and	
» Mortgage Charge-Off may base our determination on the disbursement date of the r		may base our determination on the disbursement date of the new loan.			
	» Approve/Eligible Findings required.				

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Multiple Properties Financed

REMN Wholesale Overlay:

- » Borrowers who own more than four (4) properties (including the subject property) are not eligible for financing with REMN Wholesale. This includes properties owned free and clear. Exceptions may be granted on a case-by-case basis with REMN Wholesale Executive management approval. A price adjustment may apply. FNMA's standard eligibility and underwriting policies apply for any loans granted an exception.
- » No multiple simultaneous loan submissions allowed if contingent to qualify
- » REMN limits its exposure to a maximum of 4 loans per borrower.

If a management exception is obtained the following apply:

Loan and Borrower Requirements

- » A borrower may finance multiple properties if qualified and if the following requirements are met:
 - The loan must comply with FNMA's limitations on the maximum number of financed properties, including ownership interests in financed properties as well as eligibility, delivery and reserve requirements.
 - The borrower must have sufficient assets to close after calculating reserve requirements. Additional reserve requirements apply, based on the number of financed properties a borrower will own. Please see Reserve Requirements.

Limits on the Number of Financed Properties

- » If the property being delivered to FNMA is secured by the borrower's principal residence, there are no limitations on the number of properties that the borrower will have financed.
- » If the mortgage is secured by a second home or investment property, the multiple financed properties policy applies.
- » The financed property limits
 - applies to borrower's ownership of 1-4-unit residential properties where the borrower is personally obligated on the mortgage(s), even if the monthly housing expense is excluded from the borrower's DTI in accordance with Debts Paid By Others section.
 - applies to the total number of properties financed, not to the number of mortgages on the property or the number of mortgages sold to FNMA;
 - includes the borrower's principal residence if it is financed; and
 - is cumulative for all borrowers (though jointly financed properties are only counted once).
- » The following property types are not subject to these limitations, even if the borrower is personally obligated on a mortgage on the property:
 - Commercial real estate
 - Multifamily property consisting of more than four (4) units
 - Ownership in a timeshare
 - Ownership of a vacant lot (residential or commercial), or
 - Ownership of a manufactured home on a leasehold estate not titled as real property (chattel lien on the home).

Examples – Counting Financed Properties

- » The borrower is personally obligated on mortgages securing two (2) investment properties and the coborrower is personally obligated on mortgages securing three (3) other investment properties, and they are jointly obligated on their principal residence mortgage. The borrower is refinancing the mortgage on one of the two investment properties. Thus, the borrowers have six (6) financed properties.
- » The borrower and co-borrower are purchasing an investment property and they are already jointly obligated on the mortgages securing five (5) other investment properties. In addition, they each own their own principal residence and are personally obligated on the mortgages. The new property being purchased is considered the borrowers' eighth (8th) financed property.
- » The borrower is purchasing a second home and is personally obligated on his or her principal residence mortgage. Additionally, the borrower owns four (4) two-unit investment properties that are financed in the name of a limited liability company (LLC) of which he or she has a 50% ownership. Because the borrower is not personally obligated on the mortgages securing the investment properties, they would not be included in the property count and the result is only two (2) financed properties.
- » The borrower is purchasing and financing two (2) investment properties simultaneously. The borrower does not have a mortgage lien against his or her principal residence but does have a financed second home and is personally obligated on the mortgage, two existing financed investment properties and is personally obligated on both mortgages, and a financed building lot. In this instance, the borrower will have five (5) financed properties because the financed building lot does not need to be included in the property count.

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Applying the Multiple Financed Property Policy to DU Loan Casefiles

- If the borrower is financing a second home or investment property that is underwritten through DU, the maximum number of financed properties the borrower can have is ten (10).
 - REMN OVERLAY REMN limits the maximum number of financed properties for a second home or investment property transaction to <u>four (4)</u>. Any loans exceeding this overlay must receive an exception approval from REMN Wholesale Executive Management, along with a corresponding price adjustment for the exception.
- » If the borrower will have one (1) to six (6) financed properties, FNMA's standard eligibility policies apply (for example, LTV ratios and minimum credit scores).
- » DU will determine the number of financed properties for the loan casefiles based on the following approach:
 - If the Number of Financed Properties field is completed, DU will use that as the number of financed properties. REMN must complete this field with the number of financed 1-4-unit residential properties (including the subject transaction) for which the borrower(s) are personally obligated.
 - If the Number of Financed Properties field is not provided, DU will use the number of residential
 properties in the Real Estate Owned (REO) section that include a mortgage payment, or that are
 associated with a mortgage or HELOC in the liabilities section of the loan application, as the
 number of financed properties.
 - If the Number of Financed Properties field and the REO information was not provided, DU will
 use the number of mortgages and HELOC's disclosed in the liabilities section of the loan
 application as the number of financed properties.
 - NOTE: In order to account for he subject property, DU will add "1" to the number of financed properties on purchase transactions when the REO section, number of mortgages on the application, or number of mortgages on the credit report are used as the number of financed properties.
- » After determining the number of financed properties, DU will use that value to assess the eligibility of the loan, including the minimum credit score requirement for seven to ten (7-10) financed properties, and the minimum required reserves to be verified by the Underwriter.
- » DU will issue a message informing REMN of the number of financed properties that DU used and where that information was obtained (Number of financed Properties field, REO section, number of mortgages on application, or number of mortgages on the credit report).
 - If DU used the information provided in the Number of Financed Properties field or in the REO section as the number of financed properties, and that information is inaccurate, REMN must update the data and resubmit the loan casefile to DU.
 - If DU used the number of mortgages and HELOCs on the loan application or credit report as the number of financed properties, and that number is inaccurate, REMN must provide the correct number in the Number of Financed Properties field, or complete the Real Estate Owned section of the loan application and resubmit the loan casefile to DU.

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Multiple Properties Financed Minimum Reserve Requirements

- If the borrower owns other financed properties (determined in accordance with Applying the Multiple Financed Property Policy to DU Loan Casefiles), additional reserves must be calculated and documented for financed properties other than the subject property and the borrower's principal residence. The other financed properties reserves amount must be determined by applying a specific percentage to the aggregate of the outstanding unpaid balance (UPB) for mortgages and HELOCs on these financed properties. The percentages are based on the number of financed properties:
 - 2% of the aggregate UPB if the borrower has 1-4 financed properties,
 - 4% of the aggregate UPB if the borrower has 5-6 financed properties, or
 - 6% of the aggregate UPB if the borrower has 7-10 financed properties.
- » The aggregate UPB calculation does not include the mortgage and HELOC's that are on
 - The subject property,
 - The borrower's principal residence,
 - Properties that are sold or pending sale, and
 - Accounts that will be paid by closing (or omitted in DU on the online loan application)
 - Note: DU will also include in the UPB calculation open mortgages and HELOCs on the credit report that are not disclosed on the online loan application.
- If there are multiple second home or investment property applications for the same borrower(s) simultaneously, the same assets may be used to satisfy the reserve requirements for both mortgage applications. Reserves are not cumulative for multiple applications.
 - Example Two refinance applications are being simultaneously processed for two investment properties owned by the borrower. The application for property A requires reserves of \$5,000. The application for property B requires reserves of \$10,000. Because the reserves are covering the same properties, REMN does not have to verify \$15,000 in reserves, but only those required per each application.

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Subordinate Financing

- See Eligibility Matrix on page 3 for CLTV/HCLTV limits
- » If subordinate financing HELOC; full line amount must be used to determine HCLTV
- » Unless it qualifies as a Community Seconds loan, an agreement under which a borrower is obligated to pay a third-party (other than a co-owner of the subject property) a share in any appreciation in the value of the subject property is not permitted.
- » REMN must consider any subordinate liens secured by the subject property, regardless of the obligated party, when calculating CLTV & HCLTV ratios. This includes business loans, such as those provided by the Small Business Administration.
- » Except as described below or in the <u>Community Seconds</u> section, no other type of recorded instrument documenting or securing the borrower's obligation to pay an amount in connection with funds advanced to the borrower in relation to the first mortgage is permitted, unless those funds have been advanced to the borrower by a co-owner of the subject property. Regardless of whether it qualifies as financing, eligible subordinated or unsecured PACE structures are permitted.
- » Acceptable Subordinate Financing Types;
 - Variable payment mortgages that comply with the details below.
 - Mortgages with regular payments that cover at least the interest due so that negative amortization does not occur.
 - Mortgages with deferred payments in connection with employer subordinate financing (see below).
 - Mortgage terms that require interest at market rate.
- » If financing provided by the property seller is more than 2% below current standard rates for second mortgages, the subordinate financing must be considered a sales concession and the subordinate financing amount must be deducted from the sales price.
- » Unacceptable Subordinate Financing Terms;
 - Mortgages with negative amortization (with the exception of employer subordinate financing that has deferred payments).
 - Subordinate financing that does not fully amortize under a level monthly payment plan where the
 maturity or balloon payment date is less than five (5) years after the note date of the new first
 mortgage (with the exception of employer subordinate financing that has deferred payments).
 Note: FNMA will accept these subordinate financing terms when the amount of subordinate debt is
 - minimal relative to the borrower's financial assets and/or credit profile.

 Subordinate financing that restricts prepayment (that is; subordinate liens with prepayment
 - penalties).
 Mortgages with PACE or HERO programs as a subordinate/secondary financing option are not eligible for financing (all states).
- » Eligible Variable Payment Terms for Subordinate Financing;
 - Variable payments for subordinate financing that does not qualify as an eligible Community Seconds loan are permitted if the following provisions are met:
 - With the exception of HELOC's when the repayment terms provide for a variable interest rate, the monthly payment must remain constant for each 12-month period over the term of the subordinate lien mortgage (HELOC's, the monthly payment does not have to remain constant).
 - The monthly payments for all subordinate liens must cover at least the interest due so that negative amortization does not occur (with the exception of employer subordinate financing that has deferred payments).
- » Eligible Repayment Terms for Employer Subordinate Financing;
- » If the subordinate financing is from the borrower's employer, it does not have to require regular payments of either principal or interest or interest only. Employer subordinate financing may be structured in any of the following ways;
 - Fully amortizing level monthly payments,
 - Deferred payments for some period before changing to fully amortizing level payments,
 - Deferred payments over the entire term; or,
 - Forgiveness of the debt over time.
- » The financing terms may provide for the employer to require full repayment of the debt if the borrower's employment is terminated (either voluntarily or involuntarily) before the maturity date of the subordinate financing.
- » Defining Refinance Transactions Based on Subordinate Lien Payoff;

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The table below provides the underwriting considerations related to subordinate financing under refinance transactions.

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Subordinate	Refinance transaction includes payoff of the first	REMN must underwrite the	Comments
Financing	lien and	transaction as a	
Underwriting	The payoff of a purchase money second with no	Limited Cash-Out Refinance	N/A
Considerations	cash out		
	The payoff of a non-purchase money second,	Cash-Out Refinance	N/A
	regardless of whether additional cash out is taken		
	The subordinate financing is being left in place,	Limited Cash-Out Refinance	The subordinate lien
	regardless of whether the subordinate financing		must be re-subordinated
	was used to purchase the property, and the		to the new first lien
	borrower is not taking cash out except to the extent		mortgage loan.
	permitted for a limited cash-out refinance		
	transaction		
	The subordinate financing is being left in place,	Cash-Out Refinance	N/A
	regardless of whether the subordinate financing		
	was used to purchase the property and the		
	borrower is taking cash out		

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Community Seconds

- REMN must approve all Community Second scenarios on a loan level basis.
- » A borrower of a mortgage loan secured by a principal residence may use funds received from a Community Seconds mortgage to fund all or part of the down payment provided the Community Seconds is not funded in any way through the first lien mortgage, such as premium pricing.
- » The following are not permitted with Community Seconds:
 - Second Homes,
 - Investment Properties,
 - Cash-Out Refinance; and,
 - ARMS with initial adjustment period less than five (5) years.
- » The following table describes the minimum borrower contribution requirements for transactions that contain a Community Second:

LTV/CLTV/HCLTV Ratio	Minimum Borrower Contribution Requirement from Borrower's Own Funds		
≤80%	1-4 Unit Primary Residence	A minimum borrower contribution from the borrower's own funds is not required. All funds needed to complete the transaction can come from a Community Seconds.	
	1 Unit Primary Residence	A minimum borrower contribution from the borrower's own funds is not required. All funds needed to complete the transaction can come from a Community Seconds.	
> 80%	2-4 Unit Primary Residence	The borrower must make a 5% minimum borrower contribution from his or her own funds. After the minimum borrower contribution has been met, a Community Seconds can be used to supplement the down payment, closing costs, and renovations (including those that are energy-related) or to fund a permanent interest rate	

Non-Community lending mortgages may be used in a Community Seconds Transaction with the following limitations:

- All non-community lending mortgages are eligible, with the exception of ARMs with an initial fixedrate period of less than 5 years.
- The transaction is limited to a purchase or limited cash-out refinance.
- For a limited cash-out refinance transaction, the Community Seconds mortgage holder must acknowledge

Repayment

- » Repayment of the Community Seconds mortgage may be structured in any number of ways as long as the terms are consistent with terms Fannie Mae considers acceptable, including:
 - requiring fully amortizing, equal monthly payments;
 - deferring payments for some period before changing to fully amortizing, equal monthly payments;
 - deferring payments over the entire term, unless the loan is paid off or the property is sold before the maturity date of the mortgage; or
 - forgiving the debt over time
- » When the borrower's employer is the provider of the Community Seconds mortgage, the financing terms may provide for the employer to require full repayment of the debt should an employee's employment

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- terminate (either voluntarily or involuntarily, for reasons other than those related to disability) before the maturity date of the Community Seconds mortgage.
- » Where repayment of the Community Seconds mortgage is deferred for five years or more, REMN is not required to include a monthly payment for the Community Seconds mortgage in its calculation of the borrower's debt-to-income ratio. Where repayment is deferred for fewer than five years, REMN must include the monthly payment amount that will be required after the end of the deferral period in its calculation.
- » The maturity date of the Community Seconds mortgage, or the due date of any balloon payment on the Community Seconds mortgage, may not be before the earlier of 15 years after the note date of the first mortgage, or the maturity date of the first mortgage.
- » The interest rate for the Community Seconds mortgage must be fixed and may not be more than 2% (200 basis points) higher than the initial note rate of the first mortgage.
 - Note: Interest that is imposed as a penalty should the mortgage be declared in default and called due and payable under its terms is not subject to this interest rate cap
- » The Community Seconds mortgage may not provide for negative amortization, however, because negative amortization will occur if the interest rate is greater than zero and the payment of interest is deferred for a period of time, negative amortization will be acceptable provided:
 - the amount of scheduled monthly interest deferred on the Community Seconds mortgage for any
 full calendar month within the initial five years (of the Community Seconds loan) may never exceed
 the scheduled monthly principal payment of the first mortgage for that month (see below for an
 example);
 - o interest is accrued on a simple-interest basis at a fixed rate; and
 - the accrued interest is fully deferred until
 - sale or transfer of the property,
 - the loan is refinanced or the first mortgage is paid in full, or
 - declaration of an event of default under the subordinate note or the security instrument.

<u>Example</u>

» In the following example, the loan is eligible as the amount of deferred, accrued interest for July on the Community Seconds loan is less than the scheduled principal payment for the first mortgage for the same month.

Note Date: May First Payment Date: July	First Mortgage	Community Seconds
UPB	\$150,000	\$30,000
Interest Rate	5%	7%
Maximum Accrued, Deferred Interest - July	N/A	\$175 (\$30,000 @ 7% / 12)
Scheduled Principal Payment – July _	\$180.23	N/A

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Community Seconds: Shared Appreciation Transactions

- » Shared appreciation programs are a type of Community Seconds offering that create affordability for eligible borrowers by providing down payment, closing cost assistance, and/or funding for renovations to the property (including energy-related improvements) in exchange for repayment of an interest-free loan and a share in any future appreciation to the property.
- » Shared Appreciation transactions are subject to the following:
 - Must comply with the requirements in the <u>Community Seconds</u> section
 - Interest (deferred or otherwise) is not permitted, other than default interest on overdue principal or a share in appreciation.
 - Expenses or fees must not be imposed on the borrower after loan origination, except in cases of default or in connection with borrower-initiated transactions, as defined in the program's legal documentation
 - After completion of the obligations to the shared appreciation provider (or its assignee), including payment of any shared appreciation in value, the borrower must not have any further obligation to the shared appreciation provider or any assignee.

Repayment

» The following table describes the requirements related to repayment of a shared appreciation loan

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Criteria	Requirements			
	 Requirements The shared appreciation loan and any share in appreciation must only be payable in connection with one or more of the following events as specified in the shared appreciation program's legal documentation: a specific date, which must not be earlier than the scheduled maturity date of the first mortgage granted in connection with the purchase of the property; repayment in full of the first mortgage (except when the shared appreciation loan is being resubordinated in connection with a refinance; acceleration of the first mortgage in accordance with its terms (for purchase mortgages only, this is limited to acceleration after the conclusion of loss mitigation or other measures to cure a delinquency); or 			
	 an unauthorized transfer or unauthorized change in occupancy status of the property, or an event of default relating to the failure to maintain collateral (after notice and an opportunity to cure). In addition, the program's legal documents must allow the borrower an option to prepay the loan in its entirety at any time and to pay all other amounts due to the provider, including any shared appreciation. If the shared appreciation loan becomes due and payable, all amounts then due and payable to the first mortgagee must be paid first, 			
	followed by other entitled parties, such as the shared appreciation provider and the borrower.			
Basis for determining the amount of appreciation	 In the program's legal documentation, the appreciation in value must be based on one of the following: When the property is sold on the open market, the appreciation must be based on the actual sales price of the property. 			
	 In any other instance, the appreciation must be based on an appraisal from a state licensed or state-certified appraiser obtained in accordance with the program's terms, or if explicitly indicated as permitted in the program's legal documents, a current value established by a third-party, commercial automated valuation model (AVM). For limited cash-out refinances, appreciation in value may be based on any method included in the program's legal documentation. 			

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Provider's share of appreciation	Except as permitted below, the provider's share of appreciation must not exceed the Standard Percentage" which is derived by dividing the original shared appreciation loan amount by the original sales price. For example, if the provider contributed a 10% down payment towards the purchase of a home, the provider cannot share in appreciation greater than 10% (the Standard Percentage) when the home is sold. Exceptions The provider's share of appreciation may be greater than the Standard Percentage in either of the two scenarios below: 1. The borrower must first recover the following (which will result in a reduction in the amount of appreciation) before the provider is able to share in appreciation: - any portion of the down payment that came from the borrower's own funds, - reasonable costs of selling the property (such as a sales commission), - the costs of any improvements made by the borrower to the property (provided they were allowed under the program's legal documentation and not otherwise taken into account in determining the amount of appreciation), and - the principal portion of all payments the borrower made on the first mortgage. 2. The provider may share in appreciation greater than the Standard Percentage if - in the first year following origination of the shared appreciation loan, the share does not initially exceed 75%, or - after the first year following origination of the shared appreciation loan, the share is reduced at least proportionally each year, so the share is equal to or less than the Standard Percentage no later than five years following origination of the shared appreciation loan. For example, if the provider's share of appreciation is 70% in the first year, and the Standard Percentage is 10%, then the provider's share must decrease by at least 15% annually (70% minus 10%, divided by 4), so that in the second, third, and fourth years, the provider's share of appreciation must not exceed 55%, 40%, and 25%, respectively.

REMN must report SFC 176 when delivering a loan with shared appreciation

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Loans with Resale Restrictions

- » Fannie Mae will purchase loans that are subject to one or more of the following types of resale restrictions:
 - income limits
 - age-related requirements
 - employment-related requirements
 - occupancy requirements
 - first-time homebuyer requirements
 - restrictions on group homes or homes that are principally used to serve residents with disabilities
- » Some restrictions are likely to occur only in combination with others and it is permissible more than one resale restriction to apply to a single loan
- » Fannie Mae will purchase loans secured by properties subject to resale restrictions in the following circumstances:
 - When the restrictions terminate automatically upon foreclosure (or the expiration of any applicable redemption period),
 - Upon the recordation of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, or
 - When the resale restrictions survive foreclosure.
 - Note: If the resale restrictions survive foreclosure, REMN represents and warrants that the resale restrictions do not impair the servicer's ability to foreclose on the restricted property
- » There are no restrictions on the length of the period in which the resale restrictions may remain in place on the property.
- » The source and terms of the resale restrictions must be included in the public land records so that they are readily identifiable in a routine title search.
- » The presence of resale restrictions must not impair Fannie Mae's legal rights to cure a default under the loan terms, to foreclose on the subject property, or to otherwise protect Fannie Mae's interests under the mortgage.
- » The following table describes the eligibility requirements for loans with resale restrictions

Criteria	Requirements		
Loan Eligibility	The loan must be a fixed-rate or ARM with an initial		
	fixed period of five years or more.		
Borrower Eligibility	» Borrowers must meet applicable criteria of the		
	deed restriction.		
	» If income limit requirements are imposed by		
	both the resale restrictions and the terms of		
	the mortgage, the most restrictive will apply.		
	» Note : Age-related restrictions generally apply		
	to the unit occupant and frequently require		
	only one occupant to be aged 55 and over. In		
	such a case, the borrower could be younger		
	than 55 provided there is a unit occupant aged		
	55 and over. This occupant can be a non-		
	borrower household member or a renter in the		
	case of an investment property.		
Property Type	One- and two- unit properties are eligible, including		
	PUDs, and condos. Manufactured homes are not		
	eligible unless they are located in a PERS-approved		
	project.		

Appraisal Requirements

- » In cases where the resale restrictions terminate automatically upon foreclosure (or the expiration of any applicable redemption period), or upon recordation of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, the appraisal should reflect the market value of the property without resale restrictions.
- » REMN must ensure that the borrower and appraiser are aware of the resale restrictions and should advise the appraiser that they must include the following statement in the appraisal report:
 - "This appraisal is made on the basis of a hypothetical condition that the property rights being appraised are without resale and other restrictions that are terminated automatically upon the

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latter of foreclosure or the expiration of any applicable redemption period, or upon recordation of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure."

- » In cases where the resale restrictions survive foreclosure or a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, the appraisal must reflect the impact the restrictions have on value and be supported by comparable sales with similar restrictions.
- » The appraisal report must note the existence of the resale restrictions and comment on any impact the resale restrictions have on the property's value and marketability.

Delivery

» REMN must report SFC 631 when delivering a loan secured by a property with resale restrictions that survive foreclosure or a deed-in-lieu foreclosure.

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Shared Equity Transactions

- » Loans originated in connection with the following shared equity programs are eligible for purchase by Fannie Mae:
 - Community land trusts
 - Income and resale price restrictions
- » Fannie Mae will not purchase shared equity loans where the borrower is required to submit to arbitration to resolve disputes with the shared equity program unless the mandatory arbitration provision provides, or is amended to provide, that, in the event of a transfer or sale of the related mortgage or an interest in the related mortgage loan to Fannie Mae, the mandatory arbitration clause immediately and automatically becomes null and void and cannot be reinstated.
- » The following table describes eligibility requirements for shared equity transactions:

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Cr	riteria	Community Land Trusts	Income and Resale Price	
		·	Restrictions	
Eligible S		Shared equity providers must comp		
Equity P	roviders	requirements in Community Second	ds. Additionally, the following	
		flexibilities are permitted:		
		_	ed exclusively by a nonprofit	
			idered eligible shared equity	
			LLC wholly owned by a nonprofit	
		_	an eligible shared equity provider.	
			re not considered interested parties to	
		the transaction.		
Required		The shared equity provider must	» The shared equity provider must	
Counseli	ing	comply with the provisions of the	have an established procedure	
		Model Ground Lease relating to	that requires counseling or	
		counseling the prospective	similar engagement with	
		borrowers.	prospective borrowers to	
			ensure such individuals are	
			educated on the specific terms	
			of the income and resale price	
			restrictions, including the	
			calculation that will be used to	
			determine the maximum resale	
			price. This counseling or	
			engagement must be conducted	
			at least 30 days prior to the closing of any purchase	
			transaction. Examples may	
			include, but are not limited to:	
			o one-on-one counseling	
			specific to the	
			transaction,	
			o a program summary	
			document in plain	
			language, or	
			o an attorney review of	
			the program with the	
			prospective	
			homebuyer.	
Eligible F	Borrowers »	Because of the affordable terms that	at they offer, shared equity programs	
			gibility and on the resale price of the	
		property. Eligible borrowers must s	· .	
		set up by the shared equity program		
		» Note : If income limit requirements are imposed by both the shared		
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Eligible Property	»	All loans secured by one- and	>>	All loans secured by one- and	
and Occupancy		two-unit principal residence	two-unit principal residence properties are eligible for purchase by Fannie Mae.		
Types		community land trust properties			
		are eligible for purchase by			
		Fannie Mae. Manufactured			
		homes subject to a community			
		land trust are also ineligible			
		unless they are located in a			
		Fannie Mae-approved condo or			
		PUD project.			
	»	The leasehold estate created by			
		the community land trust ground			
		lease must constitute real			
		property under applicable law.			
	»	Improvements owned by the			
		lessee may be held in fee simple	·		
		or as a unit in a detached or a	-		
		Fannie Mae-approved attached	iched		
		condo.			
Eligible Loans	»	Eligible loans include purchase and	ible loans include purchase and refinance transactions. Loans must		
		be fixed-rate or ARMs with an initial fixed period of five years or more.			
Underwriting	»	These loans may be underwritten manually or through DU.			
Considerations	»	Any recurring monthly fees or expenses associated with the shared			
		equity program must be included in	quity program must be included in the monthly housing expense for qualifying purposes.		
		qualifying purposes.			

Affordable LTV Calculation: Resale Restrictions that Terminate at Foreclosure

- When resale restrictions terminate automatically upon foreclosure (or the expiration of any applicable redemption period), or the recordation of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, the sales price is typically not a reliable indicator of market value for the property because the sales price does not include the subsidy from the shared equity provider. The appraised value is more indicative of the actual value of the property in the event of a foreclosure or acceptance of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure (disregarding factors that may affect value after origination and prior to foreclosure). Accordingly, for these types of transactions, REMN must use the "Affordable LTV" calculation to determine LTV, CLTV, and HCLTV ratios.
- » The Affordable LTV calculation divides the loan amount by the appraised value of the property, rather than the lesser of the sales price or the appraised value. The following table provides an example of the Affordable LTV calculation method.

Item	Amount	
Appraised Value	\$200,000	
Shared Equity Program Subsidy Amount	\$40,000	
Subsidized Sales Price	\$160,000	
First Mortgage Loan Amount	\$160,000	
Affordable LTV Ratio (first mortgage loan amount	80%	
divided by the appraised value)	80%	

- » When using the Affordable LTV calculation, REMN must
 - for DU loans, enter "Affordable LTV" in the Product Description field in the online application, which will result in DU calculating the LTV, CLTV, and HCLTV ratios based solely on the appraised value for purchase transactions (and not the lesser of the sales price or appraised value); and
 - for all loans, use the appraised value to determine the
 - minimum down payment;
 - the borrower contribution, if applicable, that must be made from the borrower's own resources; and
 - the level of mortgage insurance required.

LTV Calculation: Resale Restrictions that Survive Foreclosure

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- » When resale restrictions survive foreclosure or a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, REMN must use the lesser of the sales price or appraised value of the property with resale restrictions when calculating the LTV, CLTV, and HCLTV ratios, which is the standard method of calculation. Fannie Mae requires use of the standard calculation on the lower value due to the presence of resale restrictions, which limit the property's sales price in the event of foreclosure or acceptance of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure.
- » **Note**: This does not apply to loans secured by community land trust properties, which require the resale restrictions to terminate automatically upon foreclosure (or the expiration of any applicable redemption period), or acceptance of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure.

Appraisal Requirements

- » For properties in a community land trust, the appraisal requirements can be found in B4-1.4-06, Community Land Trust Appraisal Requirements.
- » For properties with income and resale price restrictions, the following requirements apply:
 - o In cases where the resale restrictions terminate automatically upon foreclosure (or the expiration of any applicable redemption period), or upon recordation of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, the appraisal should reflect the market value of the property without resale restrictions. REMN must ensure that the borrower and appraiser are aware of the resale restrictions and should advise the appraiser that they must include the following statement in the appraisal report:
 - "This appraisal is made on the basis of a hypothetical condition that the property rights being appraised are without resale and other restrictions that are terminated automatically upon the latter of foreclosure or the expiration of any applicable redemption period, or upon recordation of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure."
 - o In cases where the resale restrictions survive foreclosure or deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, the appraisal must reflect the impact the restrictions have on value and be supported by comparable sales with similar restrictions. The appraisal report must note the existence of the resale restrictions and comment on any impact the resale restrictions have on the property's value and marketability.

<u>Title Insurance and Delivery Requirements</u>

» The following table describes title insurance and delivery requirements for shared equity transactions

Criteria	Community Land Trusts	Income and Resale Restrictions
Title Insurance	The title insurance policy or an endorsement to	The title insurance policy
Requirements	the policy must expressly confirm all of the	or an endorsement to the
	following:	policy must expressly
	» the recording of the complete community	reflect all of the following
	land trust ground lease or ground lease	» the source and terms
	memorandum;	of the resale
	» the recording of the Community Land Trust	restrictions are
	Ground Lease Rider;	included in the public
	» the community land trust loan is secured	land records so that
	by a first lien on the leasehold estate and	they are readily
	the improvements;	identifiable in a
	» there are no existing loans or other liens	routine title search,
	on the fee estate, except as may be	and
	permitted under the Community Land	
	Trust Ground Lease Rider;	
	» the ground lessor's reversionary interest is	
	subordinate to the community land trust	
	loan; and	
	» there are no related community land trust	
	ground lease occupancy and resale	
	restrictions, covenants, or agreements that	
	"run with the land," and that have been	
	recorded apart from the ground lease,	
	except as may be permitted under the	
	Community Land Trust Ground Lease Rider.	

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_	Pre-Delivery	Prior to delivering the loan to Fannie Mae, REMN	I must confirm:
	Considerations	 any payments or assessments required to be the legal documentation (including ground le land trusts) are not past due, and the borrower is not in default under any oth documentation, nor has the shared equity put default. 	e paid by the borrower under ease rents for community er provisions of the legal rovider claimed such a
	Special Feature	REMN must include the following in the	REMN must include the
	Codes and Delivery	delivery data:	following in the delivery
	Requirements	 » SFC 054, » the value of the leasehold (inclusive of the improvements) as the appraisal amount, and » the Affordable LTV ratio 	w SFC 630 and the Affordable LTV when the resale restrictions terminate automatically upon foreclosure (or the expiration of any applicable redemption period), or the recordation of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure. SFC 631 when the resale restrictions survive foreclosure or a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure. SFC 177 when the Grounded Solutions Network 2021 Model Declaration of Affordability Covenants with Refinance and Resale Restriction and Purchase Option form was used.
×	See <u>B5-5.3-04</u> for Mass	sachusetts Resale Restriction Loan Eligibility Requi	rements.

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Purchase

- » Mortgage amount limited to; lesser of the Sales Price, Appraised Value or Maximum Loan Limit.
- » Minimum borrower contribution requirements for the selected mortgage loan type must be met.
- » Proceeds from the transaction must be used to:
 - Finance the acquisition of the subject property,
 - Finance the acquisition and rehabilitation of the subject property,
 - Convert an interim construction loan or term note into permanent financing; or,
 - Payoff the outstanding balance on an installment land contract or contract for deed.

See Paying off Land Contract Requirements.

- » If the loan has financed MI, loans underwritten to DU Version 9.1 are subject to 95.00% LTV cap. The "total" loan amount may not exceed 95.00% of the lesser of the sales price, appraised value or maximum loan limit.
- » Proceeds from the transaction may not be used to give the borrower cash other than the following:
 - An amount representing reimbursement for the borrowers' overpayment of fees and charges, including refunds that may be required in accordance with curtail federal laws or regulations.
 - A legitimate pro-rated real estate tax credit in locales where real estate taxes are paid in arrears.
 Note: If the borrower receives cash back for a permissible purpose as listed above, REMN must confirm that the minimum borrower contribution requirements associated with the selected mortgage product, if any, have been met. Reimbursements or refunds permitted above may also be applied as a Principal Curtailment. A pro-rated real estate tax credit is not an interested party contribution, and it cannot be considered when determining if the borrower has sufficient assets for the transaction.
 - Exception: When the Closing Disclosure indicates an escrow account has been established and
 includes the portion of real estate taxes owed by the property seller for the period they owned the
 property, a prorated real estate tax credit from the property seller may offset all or a portion of the
 funds needed for the escrow account.

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Purchase of Pre-
foreclosure or
Short Sale
Properties

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Allowable Fees, Assessments & Payments

- Borrowers may pay additional fees, assessments or payments in connection with acquiring a property that is a pre-foreclosure or short sale that are typically the responsibility of the seller or another party. Examples of additional fees, assessments or payments include; but are not limited to:
 - Short sale Processing Fees (also referred to as short sale negotiation fees, buyer discount fees, short sale buyer fees);
 - Note: This fee does not represent a common & customary charge; therefore, it must be treated as a sales concession if any portion is reimbursed by an interested party to the transaction.
 - Payment to a subordinate lienholder; and,
 - Payment of delinquent taxes or delinquent HOA assessments.
- » The following requirements apply:
 - The borrower (buyer) must be provided with written details of the additional fees, assessments or payments and the additional necessary funds to complete the transaction must be documented.
 - The servicer that is agreeing to the pre-foreclosure or short sale must be provided with written details of the fees, assessments or payments and has the option of renegotiating the payoff amount to release its lien.
 - All parties (buyer, seller and servicer) must provide their written agreement of the final details of the transaction which must include the additional fees, assessments or payments.
 - CD must include all fees, assessments and payments included in the transaction.

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Limited Cash-Out Refinance

- Limited cash-out refinance transactions must meet the following requirements:
 - The transaction is being used to obtain a new first mortgage secured by the same property to
 - pay off an existing 1st mortgage (including an existing HELOC in first lien position);
 - pay off an existing construction loan and documented construction cost overruns that were incurred outside of the interim construction financing for two-closing construction-to-permanent loans (These construction cost overruns must be paid directly to the builder at closing); or
 - pay off an installment land contract that was executed more than 12 months before the date of the loan application
 - At least one borrower on the new loan must be an owner (on title) of the subject property at the time of the initial application. Exceptions are allowed if REMN documents that:
 - The borrower acquired the property through an inheritance or was legally awarded the property (such as through a divorce, separation, or dissolution of a domestic partnership); or
 - the property was previously owned by an inter vivos revocable trust and the borrower is the primary beneficiary of the trust.
 - the borrower is currently financially obligated on the loan being paid off but not on the title. This includes loans where the property is currently owned by a limited liability corporation (LLC) that is majority owned or controlled by the borrower(s). Ownership must be transferred into the name of the individual borrower(s). See <u>B2-</u>2-01 General Borrower Eligibility for additional requirements; or
 - the borrower is paying off an installment land contract that was executed more than 12 months before the date of the loan application.
 - Only subordinate liens used to purchase the property may be paid off with the new mortgage.
 - Subject property must not be currently listed for sale. It must be taken off the market on or before
 the disbursement date of the new mortgage loan, and the borrowers must confirm their intent
 to occupy the subject property (for principal residence transactions).

Acceptable Uses: the following are acceptable in conjunction with a limited cash-out:

- Modifying the interest rate and/or term for the existing mortgage(s),
- Paying off the existing first mortgage (which may include additional amounts required to pay off the loan, such as prepayment penalties, a deferred balance resulting from completion of a prior loss mitigation solution, and late fees),
- Two close Construction-to-Permanent transactions, to pay off an existing construction loan and documented constructed cost overruns that were incurred outside of the interim construction financing. (These construction costs overruns must be paid directly to the builder at closing)
- Financing the payment of closing costs, points and prepaid items. With the exception of real estate taxes that are more than sixty (60) days delinquent, borrower can include real estate taxes in the new loan as long as an escrow account is established subject to applicable law or regulation (i.e. if a particular state law does not allow REMN to require an escrow account).
- Providing cash back to the borrower (or any other party) in an amount that, in aggregate, does not exceed the greater of 1% of the new refinance loan amount or \$2,000;
- Buying out a co-owner pursuant to an agreement,
- Paying off a subordinate mortgage lien (including prepayment penalties) used to purchase the subject property (when the subordinate loan is a Community Seconds, payoff may include any required payment of the share of appreciation due to the Community Seconds provider under the terms of the shared appreciation agreement). REMN must document that the entire amount of the subordinate financing was used to acquire the property; or,
- Paying off the unpaid principal balance of certain PACE loans (FNMA Selling Guide B5-3.4.01).
- » REMN must document that all proceeds of the existing subordinate lien were used to fund part of the subject property purchase price.
- » Existing Subordinate Liens that will not be paid off; when a new limited cash-out refinance will not satisfy existing subordinate liens, the existing lien must be clearly subordinated to the new mortgage.
- » New Subordinate Financing; when a borrower obtains new subordinate financing with refinance of 1st mortgage loan, FNMA treats the transaction as a limited cash-out provided the mortgage meets the eligibility criteria for a limited cash-out refinance.

Note: It is acceptable for borrowers to obtain cash from the proceeds of the new subordinate loan.

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Limited Cash-Out Refinance (Continued)

Cash Back to the Borrower

- As noted above, REMN may provide a small amount of cash back in a limited cash-out refinance transaction. REMN may also refund the borrower for the overpayment of fees and charges due to federal or state laws or regulations. Refunds such as these are not included in the maximum cash back limitation, provided:
- The CD clearly identifies the refund with a notation for the reason; and,
- The loan file includes documentation to support the amount and reason for the refund.

Refinances to Buy Out an Owner's Interest

- A transaction that requires one owner to buy out the interest of another owner (result of divorce settlement or dissolution of a domestic partnership) is considered a limited cash-out if the secured property was jointly owned for at least 12 months preceding disbursement date of the new loan.
- All parties must sign a written agreement that states the terms of the property transfer and the proposed disposition of the proceeds from the refinance transaction. Except in the case of recent inheritance of the subject property, documentation must be provided to indicate that the security property was jointly owned by all parties for at least 12 months preceding the date of the disbursement date of the new loan.
- Borrowers who acquire sole ownership of the property may not receive any of the proceeds of the
 refinancing. The party buying out the other party's interest must be able to qualify for the mortgage
 pursuant to FNMA's underwriting guidelines.

97.00% LTV, CLTV and HCTLV

 Permitted for standard limited cash-out refinance transactions if FNMA is the owner of the existing loan.

Ineligible transactions

- » When the following exist, the transaction is ineligible as limited cash-out
 - No outstanding 1st lien on the subject property (except for single-closing construction-to-perm),
 - Proceeds are used to pay off a subordinate lien that was not used to purchase the property
 - Proceeds are used to pay off a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) loan or HERO loan obtained prior to July 6, 2010, as FNMA requires these transactions to be manually underwritten, which REMN does not allow – REMN OVERLAY
 - The borrower finances the payment of real estate taxes that are more than 60 days delinquent for the subject property in the loan amount; and,
 - Short-term refinance mortgage loan that combines a 1st mortgage and a non-purchase money subordinate mortgage into a new 1st mortgage or any refinance of that loan within 6 months
 - Subject property is currently listed for sale
 - The borrower completed a cash-out refinance transaction with a note date 30 days or less prior to the application date of a new refinance secured by the same property.
 - See <u>Modified Mortgages</u>

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Cash-Out Refinance

- Cash-out refinance transactions must meet the following requirements
 - The transaction must be used to pay off existing mortgages by obtaining a new first mortgage secured by the same property or be a new mortgage on a property that does not have a mortgage lien against it.
 - If an existing first mortgage is being paid off through the transactions, it must be at least 12 months old at the time of refinance, as measured by the note date of the existing loan to the note date of the new loan. This requirement does not apply:
 - To any existing subordinate liens being paid off through the transaction, or
 - When buying out a co-owner pursuant to a legal agreement.
 - At least one borrower must have been on title for at least six months prior to the disbursement date
 of the new loan. See below for exceptions.
 - For DU loan casefiles, if the DTI ratio exceeds 45%, six months reserves is required.
 - Properties that were listed for sale must have been taken off the market on or before the disbursement date of the new mortgage loan.
 - At least one borrower must have been on title to the subject property for at least six (6) months prior to the loan disbursement date of the new mortgage loan. Time held in an LLC that is controlled or majority owned by the borrower(s) is allowed to count towards the borrower's six-month ownership requirement. This ownership policy applies in addition to the requirement that an existing first mortgage being paid off through the refinance is at least 12 months old. The following exceptions apply:
 - There is no waiting period if REMN documents that the borrower acquired the property through an inheritance or was legally awarded the property (divorce, separation, or dissolution of a domestic partnership).
 - The delayed financing requirements are met; see Delayed Financing Exception for details.
 - If prior ownership was held in an inter-vivos/revocable trust in the borrower's name and meets FNMA criteria (as defined in <u>FNMA Selling Guide B2-2-05: Inter Vivos Revocable Trusts</u>), this can be applied towards ownership seasoning if title had transferred from the trust to the borrower.
- For the maximum allowable LTC/CLTV/HCLTV ratios for cash-out refinances see <u>Eligibility Matrix</u>.

Acceptable Uses; the following are acceptable uses for cash-out refinance transactions;

- Paying off the unpaid principal balance of the existing first mortgage,
- Financing the payment of closing costs, points and prepaid items. Borrower can include prepaid real estate taxes in the new loan amount if those taxes are due within 60 days prior to or 60 days following the closing date of the new loan. Delinquent real estate taxes (taxes past due by more than 60 days) can also be included in the new loan amount, but if they are, an escrow account must be established, subject to applicable law or regulation,
- Paying off any outstanding subordinate lien of any age,
- Taking equity out of the subject property that may be used for any purpose,
- Financing a short-term refinance mortgage loan that combines a first mortgage and a non- purchase money subordinate mortgage into a new first mortgage or a refinance of the short-term refinance loan within six months

Ineligible transactions; when the following exist, the transaction is ineligible as a cash-out

- The mortgage is subject to temporary interest rate buydown
- The subject property was purchased by the borrower within the six months preceding the
 disbursement date of the new loan (except if <u>Delayed Financing Exception</u> requirements are met)
- Investor and second home borrowers with five to 10 financed properties are ineligible for cash- out refinance transactions unless all of the Delayed Financing Guidelines are met
- The subject property is currently listed for sale at time of disbursement of the new loan.
- For certain transactions on property that have a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) loan, borrowers who refinance the first mortgage loan and have sufficient equity to pay off the PACE loan but choose not to do so will be ineligible for a cash-out refinance (See FNMA B5-3.4-01)
- Transactions in which a portion of the proceeds of the refinance is used to pay off the outstanding balance on an installment land contract, regardless of the date executed
- The new loan includes the financing of real estate taxes that are more than 60 days delinquent an escrow account is not established, unless requiring an escrow account is not permitted by applicable law or regulation. For example, if a particular state law does not allow REMN to require an escrow account under certain circumstances, the loan would be eligible for sale to FNMA without an escrow account.
- See <u>Modified Mortgages</u>

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Cash-Out Paying off Installment Land Contract			
Refinance	The proceeds of a mortgage loan are used to pay off the outstanding balance on an installment land		
(Continued)	 The proceeds of a mortgage loan are used to pay off the outstanding balance on an installment land contract (also known as contract or bond for deed) that was executed within the 12 months preceding the date of application with REMN; FNMA will consider the mortgage loan to be a purchase money mortgage loan. The LTV ratio for the mortgage loan must be determined by dividing the new loan amount by the lesser of the total acquisition cost (defined as the purchase price indicated in the land contract, plus any costs the purchaser incurs for rehabilitation, renovation or energy conservation improvements) or the appraised value of the property at the time the new mortgage loan is closed. The expenditures included in the total acquisition cost must be fully documented by the borrower. When the installment land contract was executed more than 12 months before the date of the loan application with REMN, FNMA will consider the mortgage loan to be a limited cash-out refinance. In this case, the LTV ratio for the mortgage loan must be determined by dividing the new loan amount 		
	by the appraised value of the property at the time the new mortgage loan is closed. Cash-out refinance transactions involving installment land contracts are not eligible.		
Delayed Financing Exception	 Borrowers who purchased the subject property within the past 6 months (measured from the date on which the property was purchased to the disbursement date of the new mortgage loan) are eligible for a cash-out refinance transaction if all of the following requirements are met: The original purchase transaction was an arms-length transaction. For this transaction, the borrower(s) must meet FNMA's borrower eligibility requirements as described in B2-2-01 General Borrower Eligibility Requirements. The borrower(s) may have initially purchased the property as one (1) of the following:		
	 An LLC or partnership in which the borrower(s) have an individual or joint ownership of 100%. The original purchase transaction is documented by the CD, which confirms that no mortgage financing was used to obtain the subject property. A recorded trustee's deed or similar alternative confirming the amount paid by the grantee to the trustee may be substituted for a CD if a CD was not provided to the purchaser at the time of sale. The preliminary title search/report must confirm that there are no existing liens on the subject. The source of funds for the purchase transaction are documented (such as; bank statements, personal loan documents, HELOC on another property). If the source of funds used to acquire the property was an unsecured loan or a loan secured by an asset other than the subject property (such as a HELOC secured by another property), the CD for the refinance transaction must reflect that all cash-out proceeds be used to pay off or pay down, as applicable, the loan used the purchase the property. Any payments on the balance remaining from the original loan must be included in the debt-to-income ratio calculation for the refinance transaction. NOTE: Funds received as gifts and used to purchase the property may not be reimbursed with proceeds of the new mortgage loan. The new loan amount can be no more than the actual documented amount of the borrower's initial investment in purchasing the property plus the financing of closing costs, pre-paid fees and points on the new mortgage loan (subject to maximum LTV/CLTV/HCLTV ratios for the transaction). As FNMA consider this a cash-out refinance transaction, a Power of Attorney (POA) is not eligible. 		
	 This is considered a cash-out refinance transaction and thus, all other cash-out refinance eligibility requirements must be met. Cash out pricing is applied to the transaction. 		

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All other cash-out refinance eligibility requirements are met. Cash out pricing is applied.

Student Loan Cash-Out Refinances

- » Allows for the payoff of student loan debt through the refinance transaction with a waiver of the cashout refinance LLPA if all of the following requirements are met:
 - The loan must be underwritten in DU; DU cannot specifically identify these transactions but will issue
 a message when it appears that only subject property liens and student loans are marked paid by
 closing. The message will remind REMNs about certain requirements below; however, REMN must
 confirm the loan meets all of the requirements outside of DU
 - The standard cash-out refinance LTV/CLTV/HCLTV apply, as per the Product Matrix
 - At least one (1) student loan must be paid off with proceeds from the subject transaction with the following criteria:
 - Proceeds must be paid directly to the student loan servicer at closing;
 - At least one (1) borrower must be obligated on the student loan(s) being paid off, and
 - The student loan must be paid in full partial payments are not permitted.
 - The transaction may also be used pay off one of the following:
 - An existing first mortgage loan (including an existing HELOC in first-lien position); or
 - A single-closing construction-to-permanent loan to pay for construction costs to build the home, which may include paying off an existing lot lien.
 - Payoff of other non-mortgage debts is not allowed; if this is the case, standard cash-out refinance criteria & LLPA's apply
 - Only subordinate liens used to purchase the property may be paid off and included in the new mortgage.
 - The transaction may be used to finance the payment of closing cost, points and prepaid items. With the exception of real estate taxes that are more than 60 days delinquent, the borrower can include real estate taxes in the new loan amount as long as an escrow account is established, subject to applicable law or regulation.
 - The borrower may receive cash back in an amount that does not exceed the greater of 1% of the new refinance loan amount or \$2,000. REMN may also refund the borrower for the overpayment of fees and charges due to federal or state laws or regulations, or apply a principal curtailment

» Unless otherwise stated, all other standard cash-out refinance requirements apply.

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Conversion of Construction-to-Permanent Financing

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- » The conversion of construction-to-permanent financing involves the granting of a long-term mortgage to a borrower for the purpose of replacing interim construction financing that the borrower has obtained to fund the construction of a new residence.
- » Construction-to-permanent financing can be structured as a transaction with one closing or a transaction with two separate closings. REMN will **not** provide the construction financing (one closing transaction). The borrower must hold title to the lot, which may have been previously acquired or be purchased as part of the transaction.
- » All construction work, including any work that could entitle a party to file a mechanics' or materialmen's lien, must be completed and paid for, and all mechanics' liens, materialmen's liens and any other liens and claims that could become liens relating to the construction must be satisfied before the mortgage loan is closed with REMN. REMN must retain in its individual loan file a Form 1004D or a completion alternative of the completed property. When a construction-to-permanent mortgage loan provides funds for acquisition or refinancing of an unimproved lot and the construction of a residence on the loan, REMN must retain a certificate of occupancy or an equivalent form from the applicable government authority.
- » Units in a condo project and manufactured housing are not eligible for construction-to- permanent financing.

Two-Closing Transaction

- » Two-closing construction-to-permanent mortgage transactions utilize two separate loan closings with two (2) separate sets of legal documents. A modification may not be used to update the original note; rather a new note must be completed and signed by the borrowers. The first closing is to obtain the interim construction financing (and may include the purchase of the lot) and the second closing is to obtain the permanent financing upon completion of the improvements. REMN does not provide financing for constructions loans; however, we will provide financing for the permanent financing.
 - REMN will underwrite the borrower based on the terms of the permanent mortgage.
 - Two-Closing Construction-to-Permanent mortgages are subject to the limited cash-out and cashout refinance maximum LTV, CLTV and HCLTV ratios provided in the <u>Eligibility Matrix</u>.
- » Cash-out refinance transaction requires the borrower to have held legal title to the lot for at least 6 months prior to the closing of the permanent mortgage.
- » All other standard cash-out refinance eligibility and underwriting requirements apply.

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Texas Home Equity 50(a)(6)

- » Cash-out refinance
 - Owner OccupiedAll borrowers must reside in the home
 - Non-occupant co-borrowers are not allowed
 - Maximum 80% LTV/CLTV
 - 1 Unit SFD, PUD or Condo (2-4 Unit not eligible)
 - Approve/Eligible DU Findings
 - Maximum of 10 acres
- » Maximum 2% fee limitation for all closing costs, fees and charges
 - Excluded: Prepaids, Appraisal Costs, Survey Costs, Title Insurance Premiums, Title Examination Report & Bona fide discount points used to buy down the interest rate (borrowers will have to sign an "Election to pay Discount Points" affidavit at closing
- » Notice Concerning Extension of Credit
 - Borrower & non-borrowing spouse (if applicable) MUST sign a Notice Concerning Extensions and Credit (aka "12 Day Disclosure")
 - 12 days must pass from the time this disclosure is signed and the day the loan is scheduled to close
- » Survey required
- » Loan must be closed at Closing Agents Office; cannot close at borrower's home
- » Borrower must receive a copy of the Final 1003 with the CD for review a minimum of 24 hours prior to closing and send back to REMN Close
- » Community Property State; all married parties regardless if on loan or not must sign Deed of Trust and Notice of Right to Cancel
- » Borrower(s) cannot sign early (i.e. cannot sign before the date of the closing package)
- » Deed of Trust; Trustee must be completed on Security Instrument (must be a Texas resident and is typically an attorney)
 - HE Deed of Trust must be executed at closing
- » Property taxes are due in December of each year; Tax Certificates are generally provided
 - School, City, County & MUD taxes are common
- » Home Equity Waiting Periods:
 - "12 Day Disclosure" the loan cannot close until the Notice Concerning Extensions and Credits has been signed and received by REMN for 12 days.
 - 24 Hours must pass after the borrower(s) have signed their final CD and final 1003 loan application before the loan can close
 - 12 Months the loan may not close sooner than 12 months after the closing of the previous (a)(6) loan.
- » Ineligible transactions:
 - Freddie Open Access/Relief
 - Loans with an interest-only period
 - Loans with a potential for negative amortization
 - Loans with temporary interest rate buy downs
 - Property with an Agriculture (AG) Exemption
 - Loans with Value Acceptance or Value Acceptance + PDR
- » Fixed rate terms available:
 - 10 year
 - 15 year
 - 30 year
- » ARM terms available: No assumptions and no buydowns allowed. Qualifying Payment: Initial fixed rate period of 5 years Qualify at the greater of the indexed note rate or the note rate + 2%. Initial fixed rate period of greater than 5 years (7/6 and 10/6) Qualify at the greater of the note rate or the fully indexed rate. The fully indexed rate is defined as the index plus margin, as entered in DU. The index and margin are required for all ARM loans submitted for underwriting to DU.
 - 5/6 SOFR ARM 2/1/5 caps
 - 7/6 SOFR ARM 5/1/5 caps
 - 10/6 SOFR ARM 5/1/5 caps
- » A power of attorney is permitted in connection with a Texas Section 50(a)(6) mortgage loan.
- » NOTE: Texas Section 50(F)(2) Refinance transactions are eligible with Fannie Mae with no restrictions.

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REIVIN WHOLESALE FAININE WAE PRODUCT DESCRIPTION				
	BORROWERS			
Eligible	» FNMA purchases or securitizes mortgages made to borrowers who are natural persons that have reached the			
Borrowers	age at which the mortgage note can be enforced; there is no maximum age limit.			
Types of	Borrower and Co-Borrower			
Individuals	» Owns property and is liable for the debt			
	» Signs all documents			
	- Application			
	- Note			
	 Mortgage/Deed of Trust and is on title (Deed) 			
	» Income, assets and debt used in qualification			
	Non-Occupant Co-Borrower			
	» Owns property and is liable for the debt, but does not live in the subject property			
	» May or may not have an ownership interest in the subject property as indicated on the title			
	» Signs the Application, Note, Mortgage/Deed of Trust and is on title (Deed)			
	» Does not have an interest in the property sales transaction, such as the property seller, builder, or real estate			
	broker			
	» DU analyzes the risk factors in the loan casefile for all borrowers on the mortgage loan. Regardless of whether			
	an individual borrower will be occupying the property as his/her principal residence, DU will consider the			
	income, assets, liabilities, and credit of that borrower. » Assets that are owned by the non-occupant co-borrower can be included in the five percent (5%) minimum			
	» Assets that are owned by the non-occupant co-borrower can be included in the five percent (5%) minimum borrower contribution requirement (when applicable), and those funds must be entered in DU. Total liquid			
	assets for the occupying borrower and non-occupant co-borrower are included in DU's calculation of total			
	available assets.			
Co-Signer				
	» Has no ownership interest in the property, but is liable for the debt			
	» Signs all documents except the Mortgage/Deed of Trust (no ownership interest)			
	- Application			
	- Note			
	» Income, assets and debt used in qualification			
	» Do not have an interest in the property sales transaction; such as the property seller, builder or the real estate			
	broker			
	Co-Mortgagor			
	» Has ownership interest in the property but, is not liable for the debt			
	» Signs all collateral documents (Mortgage/Deed of Trust, TIL & Right to Rescind; as applicable) Signature is to			
	subordinate their interest in the property to the lien			
	» Income, assets and debts <u>not</u> used in qualification			
	Marital Rights			
	» Has no ownership interest in the property nor liable for the debt			
	» Only used in States where they have an "interest" in the property due to marital status			
	» Signature on collateral documents determined by State law			
	Down Payment and Qualifying Ratio Requirements			
	» When the guarantor's, co-signers or non-occupant co-borrower's income is used for qualifying purposes, and			
	that guarantor, co-signor, or co-borrower will not occupy the subject property, the LTV/CLTV ratio may not			
	exceed 95% (unless a Community Second is part of the transaction, in which case the CLTV ratio may not exceed			
	105% or the maximum stated in the Conforming Product Matrix for ARM loans).			

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Non-U.S. Citizens	» FNMA purchases and securitizes mortgages made to non–U.S. citizens who are lawful permanent or non-permanent residents of the United States under the same terms that are available to U.S. Citizens.
	» FNMA does not specify the precise documentation REMN must obtain to verify that a non–U.S. Citizen borrower is legally present in the United States.
	If borrower is a non-permanent resident alien, REMN will determine visa eligibility for the borrower
	based on the Visa Eligibility for Non-Citizens (Conventional Conforming Loans) chart.
	» REMN must make a determination of the non–U.S. citizen's status based on the circumstances of the individual
	case, using documentation we deem appropriate. By delivering the mortgage to FNMA, REMN represents and warrants that the non–U.S. citizen borrower is legally present in this country.
	» If borrower(s) has a Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status, the loan is eligible for financing with
	REMN as long as the following requirements are met:
	The borrower must have a valid Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number
	AND;
	 The borrower must have a CURRENT and VERIFIED employment authorization document (EAD) or
	other current documentation showing legal status.
	» Fannie Mae requires all borrowers to have a valid Social Security number or Individual Taxpayer Identification
	Number (ITIN) (in addition to meeting existing legal residency and documentation requirements).
Prior Mortgage	» REMN will not lend to any borrower(s) who has been previously convicted of mortgage fraud.
Fraud	» For all other interested parties in the transaction, if any one of the parties has been previously convicted of
	mortgage fraud, REMN will not provide financing for the transaction.
	» There are NO exceptions the aforementioned criteria.
Life Estates	If the security property is held in a life estate established under state property law, the following provisions apply:
	» The life tenant (the individual who has the right to possess and use the subject property during their lifetime)
	must be a borrower.
	» One (or more) remaindermen (individuals who have an irrevocable, vested and alienable interest in the subject
	property and who will receive full ownership of the subject property upon the death of the life tenant) may also
	be co-borrowers.
	» Both the life tenant and all remaindermen must sign the security instrument to convey their respective interests in the property.

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	CREDIT & UNDERWRITIN	NG	
Age of Credit Documents	 Credit documents include credit report, employment, income and assets. All loans (existing and new construction), documents must be no more than four (4) months old on the date the Note is signed. Preliminary title policies must be no more than 120 days old on the date the note is signed. Appraisal – See <u>Appraisal Updates</u> for additional information. 		
Credit Scores	 ** Appraisal—See Appraisal Obdates for additional information. ** Tri-merge report required on all Borrowers. ** Representative credit score used on each Borrower is; middle of 3, lower of 2 or 1 score (per AUS). - If 2 of the 3 scores are the same, choose the middle of the 3 scores ** For example: 700, 680, 680 = 680 or 700, 700, 680 = 700 ** DU performs its own analysis of the credit report data, but in no case will credit scores be <620. ** If there is only one (1) borrower, the single applicable score used to underwrite that borrower is the representative credit score for the mortgage. ** If there are multiple borrowers, determine the applicable credit score for each individual borrower and select the lowest applicable score from the group as the representative credit score. ** If there is a borrower on the loan who does not have a credit score, determine the representative credit score for the mortgage based on the credit scores of the other borrowers on the mortgage. ** If the transaction does not meet the above requirements, refer to the Non-Traditional Credit for DU Casefiles section for underwriting and eligibility requirements for DU loans in which one or more borrowers do not have a credit score. ** Loans where borrowers have a credit score made up of only medical accounts is not eligible. ** If the borrower's credit information is frozen at one of the credit repositories for borrowers who have traditional credit, the credit report is still acceptable as long as: - credit data is available from two repositories, - a credit score is obtained from at least one of those two repositories, AND - a three in-file merged report was requested. NOTE: Loans for borrowers with credit data frozen at two or more of the credit repositories will not be		
Determining Representative Credit Score	_	ve Score when duplicate scores exist from three (3) itories Fannie Mae Representative Score:	
Multiple SS Numbers	The social security number (SSN) on all loan file documents must match. In addition, associates must review the additional social security number(s) section located on the borrower's credit report. If there is any variance of SSN within the loan file or if there are any additional SSNs appearing on the credit report, underwriters should refer to the internal REMN policy & procedure for Multiple Social Security Numbers Review to determine if the loan can proceed.		
Borrower Debt Certification	» Borrowers will be required to sign an affidavit at closing attesting that no new debt has been taken out since the initial 1003 and that the final 1003 is accurate.		

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Non-Traditional Credit for DU Casefiles

- » If one or more borrowers do not have a credit score or have a limited credit history, REMN must establish an acceptable nontraditional credit history. REMN must first check all three (3) major credit repositories to verify the borrower's credit history.
- » The credit report will indicate if a credit score could not be produced due to insufficient credit. REMN must ensure that the credit report accurately reflects the borrower's information, such as the name, Social Security number, and current residence of the borrower to confirm the lack of traditional credit was not erroneously reported because incorrect information was used to order the credit report.

Note: For certain loan transactions, one or more borrower(s) are required to have traditional credit as evidenced by a credit score. See below for additional information

Unacceptable Uses

- » The establishment of a non-traditional credit history is not acceptable for the following scenarios:
 - REMN is able to obtain a credit score for the borrower despite the borrower's limited use of credit
 - The borrower has sufficient amount of credit to obtain a credit score and the representative credit score is less than the minimum required.
 - The borrower's traditional credit history indicates significant derogatory references, such as a
 prior bankruptcy or foreclosure. In these cases, the borrower must have the re-established
 credit in accordance with <u>B3-5.3-07</u>, <u>Significant Derogatory Credit Events Waiting Periods and
 Re-establishing Credit</u>, including the establishment of traditional credit and a credit score.
- » Manually underwritten loans with nontraditional credit history REMN Overlay

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- When at least one borrower has a minimum of one credit account or installment account reported on their credit report, DU will assess the risk using the borrower's reported credit and the loan will be subject to standard eligibility guidelines.
- When no borrower has at least one credit account or installment account reported on their credit report, DU will apply the following requirements:
 - The property must be a 1-4 unit principal residence, and all borrowers must occupy the property
 - The transaction must be a purchase or limited cash-out refinance.
 - Reserves may be required as determined by DU.
- » In both cases, no verification of nontraditional credit references is required for any borrower when DU conducts a cash flow assessment and issues a message that the third-party asset verification report may be used to satisfy the requirements. Otherwise, a nontraditional credit history must be documented for each borrower as instructed by DU. See <u>B3-5.4-03</u>, <u>Documentation and Assessment of a Nontraditional Credit History</u> for additional information.
- » For pricing purposes, if neither borrower has a credit score, the worst pricing bucket would be used (620) & input into REMN's LOS.
- » If a loan casefile does not receive an Approve/Eligible recommendation from DU, the loan is not eligible to be financed by REMN.

Homeownership Education

» If none of the borrowers on a purchase transaction has at least one credit account or installment account reported on their credit report, at least one borrower must complete homeownership education prior to loan closing as instructed by DU.

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Eligible Types of Nontraditional Credit for DU Casefiles

- » The types of credit references that can be used to develop a nontraditional credit history are those that require the borrower to make period payments on a regular basis with intervals that are no longer than every three months.
 - Note: There is an exception to allow a longer interval for the payment of real estate taxes on the borrower's principal residence as described below
- » REMN should consider whether the borrower has any eligible housing expenses and then review other nontraditional credit references. REMN must conduct an informational interview with the borrower to identify all credit references covering the most recent consecutive 12 months. If REMN is requesting a nontraditional mortgage credit report from a consumer reporting agency, the agency will conduct the borrower interview and obtain the list of available nontraditional credit references.
- » In all cases the payment history for each credit reference must be documented for the most recent consecutive 12-month period. All credit references must be included, not just those that reflect acceptable performance.

Acceptable Housing Payments

- » Loans underwritten through DU where a nontraditional credit history is required must include housing payments as one reference of nontraditional credit.
- » The following are examples of acceptable housing payments:
 - o Rent: payments made to a landlord or property management company;
 - Privately held mortgage loan: housing payments not reported to the credit bureaus, such as contract for deed payments and other similar arrangements, provided the payments are related to the borrower's principal residence; and
 - Real estate taxes: payments made on the principal residence, regardless of payment frequency (for homes owned free and clear).
 - Note: borrowers living "rent free" or whose housing history cannot otherwise be properly documented are not eligible.

Other Nontraditional Credit References

In addition to a housing payment, the following other nontraditional credit references may be used to further develop additional nontraditional credit history for the borrower:

- » Utilities electricity, gas, water, telephone service, television & internet service provider. Utilities cannot be used as a separate source of nontraditional credit if they are included in the rental payment.
- » Medical insurance coverage & life insurance policies (excluding payroll deductions)
- » Automobile insurance payments
- » Cell phone payments
- » Payments for household or renter's insurance
- » Payments to local stores, such as department stores, furniture stores, appliance stores
- » Rental payments for durable goods, such as automobiles
- » Payments of medical bills, school tuition, child care
- » A loan obtained from an individual, provided the repayment terms can be documented in a written agreement
- » Checking account, savings account, voluntary payments made to a payroll savings plan or contributions to a stock purchase plan, provided the records reflect an increasing balance as a result of periodic deposits over at least 12mos. Contributions must have been made no less than quarterly.
- Wire remittance statements demonstrating a consistent amount of funds remitted over the most recent 12mo period.

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Credit Inquiries	The borrower(s) must address all inquiries listed on their credit report within the past 90 days;	
	» All inquiries listed on the credit report must be addressed by the borrower, specifically stating the	
	creditor(s) and verifying no extension of credit.	
	 Acceptable response: The inquiries by Chase, Wells & Bank of America have not resulted in any 	
	extension of credit.	
	 Unacceptable response: We have not obtained any additional credit as a result of the in 	
	listed on our credit report. (Does not name the creditors - Chase, Wells & Bank of Ameri	
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Soft Pull Credit	» Please reference the REMN Undisclosed Liabilities policy for complete details on soft-pull credit report	
Reports	requirements.	
Disputed Trade	» When the credit report contains disputed by the borrower, DU will first assess the risk of the loan	
Lines	casefile using all trade lines, including those disputed. If DU issues an Approve/Eligible	
	recommendation using the disputed trade lines, no further documentation or action is necessary. DU	
	will issue a message specific to this scenario.	
	» If DU does not issue an Approve/Eligible recommendation when including the disputed trade lines, DU	
	will re-assess the risk without using the disputed trade lines. If DU is then able to issue an	
	Approve/Eligible recommendation, REMN must investigate the trade lines to determine whether the	
	borrower is responsible for the accounts or if the account information is accurate or complete.	
	 If the borrower is not responsible for the disputed accounts, REMN must obtain supporting 	
	documentation and may deliver the loan as a DU loan. No further action is necessary regarding	
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	the disputed trade lines.	
	 If the borrower is responsible for the disputed account, REMN must investigate the information, 	
	including determining the aspect of the trade line that is being disputed. If the borrower is able	
	to provide documentation to disprove any adverse information (such as cancelled checks),	
	REMN may deliver the loan as a DU loan.	
	 If the borrower is responsible for the disputed account and the account and trade line 	
	information is accurate and complete, the loan is not eligible for delivery as a DU loan. REMN	
	does not allow manual underwriting on Conventional loan programs.	
	» The monthly payments for the disputed trade lines must be included in the DTI ratio if the accounts	
	belong to the borrower.	
	 NOTE: Trade lines reported as medical debt are not shown in the disputed trade line message. 	
	Therefore, REMN is not required to investigate disputed medical trade lines.	
	» Examples: The following scenarios are examples of when a loan receiving an Approve/Eligible	
	recommendation with the disputed trade line(s) excluded from DU's risk assessment would be eligible	
	for delivery as a DU loan:	
	 A borrower's account was referred for collection by the creditor. Subsequently, the borrower 	
	paid off the account, but the pay-off was not reported on the trade line. The borrower	
	requested that a dispute be placed on the trade line. The trade line information was accurate,	
	but because it did not reflect that the borrower paid off the account, it may be considered	
	incomplete. The borrower must provide that the account was paid in full.	
	 A borrower and his son have the same name (Sr. and Jr.). The borrower's credit report contains 	
	a trade line that actually belongs to the son. The trade line is reported as disputed. The	
	borrower can provide confirmation that he is not obligated on the account.	
	 The servicer of a loan being disputed indicates a late payment in January of the previous year. 	
	The borrower can provide documentation (i.e.; canceled checks, bank statements) that	
	indicates the payment was made on time.	
	» The following scenario is an example of when a loan receiving an Approve/Eligible recommendation	
	with the disputed trade line(s) excluded from DU's risk assessment would not be eligible for delivery	
	as a DU loan:	
	 The credit report indicates a disputed trade line on the borrower's mortgage being refinanced. 	
	The trade line indicates a 60-day late payment in January of the previous year. The borrower	
	cannot provide any documentation to support that the payment was made on time.	
Non-Purchasing	» Only the debts of those who will be on the Note are required to be included in the debt-to-income	
Spouse	ratio.	
	 In community property/marital rights states, the non-borrowing spouse does have an interest in the 	
	property and is required to execute the security instrument and all applicable documents as	
	determined by state law. Community property states are: Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana,	
	Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Washington and Wisconsin.	

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Debt to Income Ratios (DTI)

- » DU will determine the maximum allowable debt-to-income ratio based on the overall risk assessments of the loan casefile.
- » Cash-out refinance transactions for borrowers with a debt-to-income ratio exceeding 45% must have at least six months of reserves. If there are not at least six months of reserves, the loan casefile will receive an Ineligible recommendation.
- » DU will apply a maximum debt-to-income (DTI) ratio is 50%. If the DTI ratio on a loan casefile exceeds 50%, the loan casefile will receive and Ineligible recommendation.
 - DU casefiles for Borrowers with Nontraditional Credit (No Credit Scores) the maximum ratio is 39.99% (must be less than 40%).

Calculating Total Monthly Obligation

- The total monthly obligation is the sum of the following:
 - The housing payment for each borrower's principal residence
 - If the subject loan is the borrower's primary residence, use the PITIA and qualifying payment amount
 - If there is a non-occupant borrower, use the mortgage payment (including HOA fees and subordinate lien payments) or rental payments
 - If the subject loan is a second home or investment property, use the mortgage payment (including HOA and subordinate lien payments) or rental payments
 - The qualifying payment amount if the subject loan if the subject loan is for a second home or investment property
 - Monthly payments on installment debts and mortgage debts that extend beyond ten (10) months
 - Monthly payments on installment debts and other mortgage debts that extend ten (10) months
 or less if the payments significantly affect the borrower's ability to meet credit obligations
 - Monthly payments on revolving debts
 - Monthly payments on lease agreements, regardless of the expiration of the lease
 - Monthly alimony, child support, or maintenance payments that extend beyond ten (10) months (alimony, but not child support or maintenance) may instead be deducted from income
 - Monthly payments for other recurring monthly obligations; and
 - Any net loss from a rental property
- » Note: Fannie Mae acknowledges that REMNs may sometimes apply a more conservative approach when qualifying borrowers. This is acceptable as long as Fannie Mae's minimum requirements are met, and REMNs consistently apply the same approach to similar loans. For example, a REMN might calculate a higher minimum payment on a credit card account than what Fannie Mae requires, which is acceptable as long as REMN consistently applies this calculation to all mortgage applications with revolving debts.

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Alimony, Child	» When the borrower is required to pay alimony, child support, or separate maintenance payments		
Support, Separate	under a divorce decree, separation agreement or any other written legal agreement – and those		
Maintenance	payments must continue to be made for more than ten (10) months – the payments must be		
Payments	considered as part of the Borrower's recurring monthly debt obligations. However, volunta		
	payments do not need to be taken into consideration. A copy of the divorce decree, separation		
	agreement, court order or equivalent documentation confirming the amount of the obligation must		
	be obtained and retained in the loan file.		
	» For alimony obligations, REMN has the option to reduce the qualifying income by the amount of the		
	alimony obligation in lieu of including it as a monthly payment in the calculation of the DTI ratio.		
	- NOTE: For loan casefiles underwritten though DU, when using the option of reducing the		
	borrower's monthly qualifying income by the monthly alimony payment, under <i>Income Type</i> ,		
	REMN must enter the amount of the alimony obligation as a negative amount. If the borrower		
	also received alimony income, this amount should be combined with the amount of the alimony		
Child Company	payment and entered as a net amount.		
Child Support	REMN OVERLAY: Delinquent child support must be paid current or in a payment plan; or Management		
Delinquency	approval is required.		
Mortgage/Rental (Housing) History	» Per AUS findings; if any delinquencies allowed per determination, satisfactory explanation required subject to acceptance by the Underwriter.		
(Housing) History	 On the date of the loan application, the borrower's existing mortgage must be current, which means 		
	that no more than 45 days may have elapsed since the last paid installment date.		
Installment Debt	 All installment debt that is not secured by a financial asset; including student loans, automobile loans, 		
	personal loans and timeshares must be considered part of the borrowers' recurring monthly debt		
	obligation if there is more than ten (10) monthly payments remaining.		
	 However, an installment debt with fewer than ten (10) months remaining should also be 		
	considered as a recurring monthly debt obligation if it significantly affects the borrower's ability		
	to meet his/her credit obligations.		
	» DU should be run with all debts; allowing the AUS to determine which debts are to be excluded.		
	» NOTE: A timeshare account should be treated as an installment debt regardless of how it is reported		
	on the credit report or other documentation (that is, even if reported as a mortgage loan).		
Revolving Debt	» Revolving charge accounts and unsecured lines of credit are open-ended and should be treated as long		
	term debts and must be considered part of the borrower's recurring monthly debt. These trade lines		
	include; credit cards, department store and personal lines of credit. Equity lines of credit secured by		
	real estate should be included in the housing expense.		
	» If the credit report does not show a required minimum payment amount and there is no supplemental		
	documentation to support a payment of less than 5%, REMN must use 5% of the outstanding balance		
	as the borrower's recurring monthly debt obligation.		
	» For DU loan casefiles, if a revolving debt is provided on the loan application without a monthly payment amount, DU will use the greater of \$10 or 5% of the outstanding balance as recurring debt.		
	 Payoff of revolving debt solely to qualify must be carefully evaluated. 		
Open 30-Day	 Open 30-day charge accounts that do not reflect a monthly payment on the credit report, or 30-day 		
Charge Accounts	accounts that reflect a monthly payment that is identical to the account balance, REMN must verify		
Charge Accounts	borrower funds to cover the account balance. The verified funds must be in addition to any funds		
	required for closing costs and reserves.		
	NOTE : DU will include the balance of the 30-day charge accounts on the loan application in the		
	Reserves Required to be Verified amount shown on the DU Underwriting Findings report. However,		
	for transactions that do not require the verification of reserves, the balance of the 30-day charge		
	accounts in the Reserves Required to be Verified amount will be reduced by any cash-out the borrower		
	will receive through the transaction.		
	» If the borrower paid off the account balance prior to closing, REMN may provide proof of payoff in lieu		
	of verifying funds to cover the account balance.		

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Revolving Debt	» Payoff of Revolving Debt at/or Prior to Closing:		
Pay Off	 When a borrower wants to pay off revolving debt in order to qualify, the file should be conditioned for the payoff of the debt at/or prior to closing. It is not a requirement for such accounts to be closed as a condition of excluding the payment from the DTI ratio. DU will continue to issue a message on its findings indicating that the revolving debt accounts being paid off must be closed in order to exclude the payment from the DTI. Fannie will allow this message to be disregarded until it has been updated in a future DU release. In order not to reoccur the monthly payment when qualifying the loan, we will require evidence that that account has been paid in full prior to or at closing. The payoff amount will be based upon the balance indicated on the current/unexpired credit report. 		
	 If the payoff amount indicated on the CD will exceed the amount of the credit report, the loan may need to be re-qualified to ensure the borrower has sufficient assets to pay the 		
	account in full. This will be dependent upon the amount of verified assets and/or the		

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Lease Payments	» Must be considered as recurring monthly debt obligations regardless of the number of months
	remaining on the lease.
HELOC	» When the mortgage that will be delivered to FNMA also has a home equity line of credit (HELOC) that
	provides for a monthly payment of principal and interest or interest only, the payment on the HELOC
	must be considered as part of the borrower's recurring monthly debt obligations. If the HELOC does
	not require a payment, there is no recurring monthly debt obligation so REMN does not need to develop
	and equivalent payment amount.
Authorized User	» DU takes credit report trade lines designated as authorized user trade lines into consideration as part
Trade Lines	of the DU credit risk assessment. However, REMN must review credit report trade lines in which the
	borrower has been designated as an authorized user in order to ensure the trade lines are an accurate
	reflection of the borrower's credit history.
	» If the UW believes the authorized user trade lines are not an accurate reflection of the borrower's credit
	history, the credit should be evaluated without the benefit of these trade lines and use prudent
	underwriting judgment when making the final decision.
	» When ensuring trade lines are an accurate reflection of the borrower's credit history, as a general guide
	if the borrower has several authorized user accounts but only has a few accounts of his/her own, the
	UW should establish;
	The relationship of the borrower to the owner of the account,
	 If the borrower uses the account; and,
	 If the borrower makes the payments on the account.
	» If the authorized user trade line belongs to another borrower on the mortgage loan, no additional
	investigation is needed. On the other hand, if the borrower has several trade lines in good standing and
	only a minor number of authorized user accounts, the UW could make the determination that;
	 The authorized user accounts had minimal, if any, impact on the borrower's overall credit profile;
	and,
	 The information reported on the credit report is an accurate reflection of the borrower's credit
	history.
	» The UW is not required to review authorized user trade lines that belong to the borrower's spouse when
	the spouse is not on the mortgage transaction.
Deferred	» Deferred installment debts must be included as part of the borrower's recurring monthly debt
Installment Debt	obligations. For deferred installment debts other than student loans, if the borrower's credit report
	does not indicate the monthly amount that will be payable at the end of the deferment period, REMN
	must obtain copies of the borrower's payment letters or forbearance agreements so that a monthly
	payment amount can be determined and used in calculating the borrower's total monthly obligations.
Garnishments	» All garnishments with more than ten (10) months remaining must be included in the borrower's
	recurring monthly debt obligations for qualifying purposes.
Student Loans	» If a monthly payment is provided on the credit report, REMN may use that amount as the monthly
	payment for qualifying purposes. If the credit report does not reflect the correct monthly payment,
	REMN may use the monthly payment that is on the student loan documentation (the most recent
	student loan statement) to qualify the borrower.
	» If the credit report does not provide a monthly payment for the student loan, or if the credit report
	shows \$0 as the monthly payment, the underwriter must determine the qualifying monthly payment
	using one of the options below:
	 If the borrower is on an income-driven payment plan, REMN may obtain student loan
	documentation to verify the actual monthly payment is \$0. REMN may then qualify the
	borrower with a \$0 payment.
	- For deferred loans or loans in forbearance, REMN may calculate:
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	A payment equal to 1% of the outstanding student loan balance (even if this amount is lower than the actual fully amortized payment) or
	lower than the actual fully-amortized payment), or
	A fully-amortizing payment using the documented loan repayment terms.

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Rental Housing Payment

- » The housing payment for each borrower's principal residence must be considered when underwriting the loan. For the following scenarios, the borrower's rental housing payment must be evaluated (if the borrower does not otherwise have a mortgage payment or no housing expense):
 - For non-occupant borrowers, and
 - For Second Homes or Investment Properties
- » The following list provides examples of acceptable documentation to verify the rental payment:
 - Six (6) months cancelled checks or equivalent payment source;
 - Six (6) months bank statements reflecting a clear and consistent payment to an organization or individual;
 - Direct verification of rent from a management company or individual landlord; or
 - A copy of a current, fully-executed lease agreement and two (2) months cancelled checks (or equivalent payment source) supporting the rental payment amount.
- Note: <u>See B3-5.4-03</u>, <u>Documentation and Assessment of a Nontraditional Credit History</u> for rental payment requirements when using non-traditional credit.

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Court-Ordered	» When a borrower has outstanding debt that was assigned to another party by court order (such as under	
Assignment of	a divorce decree or separation agreement) and the creditor does not release the borrower from the	
Debt	liability, the borrower has a contingent liability. REMN is not required to count this contingent liability	
	as part of the borrower's recurring monthly debt obligations.	
	 REMN is not required to evaluate the payment history for the assigned debt after the effective date of 	
	the assignment. REMN cannot disregard the borrower's payment history for the debt before its	
	assignment.	
Debt Paid by		
Others		
Others	When a borrower is obligated on a non-mortgage debt - but is not the party who is actually required the debt REMAN may evaluate the monthly payment from the harrower's requiring	
	repaying the debt REMN may exclude the monthly payment from the borrower's recurring	
	monthly obligations. This policy applies whether or not the other party is obligated on the debt	
	but is not applicable if the other party is an interested party to the subject transaction (such as the	
	seller or realtor). Non-mortgage debts include installment loans, student loans, revolving	
	accounts, lease payments, alimony, child support, and separate maintenance.	
	 When a borrower is obligated on a mortgage debt - but is not the party who is actually repaying 	
	the debt REMN may exclude the full monthly housing expense (PITIA) from the borrower's	
	recurring monthly obligations if:	
	 The party making the payments is obligated on the mortgage debt; 	
	 There are no delinquencies in the most recent 12 months, AND 	
	 The borrower is not using rental income from the applicable property to qualify. 	
	» In order to exclude non-mortgage or mortgage debts from the borrower's DTI ratio, REMN must obtain	
	the most recent 12 months' cancelled checks (or bank statements) from the other party making the	
	payments that document a 12-month payment history with no delinquent payments.	
	» When a borrower is obligated on a mortgage debt, regardless of whether or not the other party is	
	making the monthly mortgage payments, the referenced property must be included in the count	
	financed properties (if applicable, per Multiple Properties Financed section).	
Business Debt in	» When a self-employed borrower claims that a monthly obligation that appears on his/her personal	
Borrower's Name	credit report (such as s Small Business Administration loan) is being paid by the borrower's business,	
	REMN must confirm that it verified that the obligation was actually paid out of company funds and that	
	this was considered in its cash flow analysis of the borrower's business.	
	» The payment does not need to be considered as part of the borrower's recurring DTI, if;	
	 The account in question does not have a history of delinquency, 	
	- The business provides proof debt was paid from company funds (12 months canceled checks); and,	
	 The cash flow analysis of the business took payment of the obligation into consideration 	
	» The payment does need to be considered as part of the borrower's recurring DTI if;	
	 If the business does not provide sufficient evidence that the obligation was paid out of company 	
	funds.	
	 The account in question has a history of delinquency. To ensure that the obligation is counted only 	
	once, adjust the net income of the business by the amount of interest, taxes or insurance expenses,	
	if any, that relates to the account in question	
	 The business provides evidence of its payment of the obligation; however, the cash flow analysis of 	
	the business does not reflect any business expenses related to the obligation (such as an interest	
	expense – and taxes and insurance, if applicable – equal to or greater than the amount of interest	
	that one would reasonably expect to see given the amount of financing shown on the credit report	
	and the age of the loan). It is reasonable to assume that the obligation has not been accounted for	
	in the cash-flow analysis.	
	in the cash-now analysis.	

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Monthly Housing	» Monthly housing expense is the sum of the following and is referred to as PITIA:
Expense	Principal & Interest (P&I),
	 Hazard, Flood and mortgage insurance premiums (as applicable),
	 Real Estate Taxes,
	 Ground rent,
	 Special assessments,
	 Owner's association dues (including utilities charges that are attributed to the common areas but
	excluding any utility shares that apply to the individual unit),
	 Any subordinate financing payments on mortgages secured by the subject property,
	» REMN must enter all components of the monthly housing expenses on the application including other
	financing P&I, hazard insurance, real estate taxes, mortgage insurance, homeowners' association dues
	and other proposed housing expenses.
	» If the subject property is secured by the borrower's primary residence, the monthly housing expense is
	based on the qualifying payment in accordance with the qualifying payment criteria (e.g. ARM's). This
	amount is the monthly housing expense used to calculate the debt-to-income (DTI) ratio.
	» If the subject mortgage is secured by a Second Home or Investment Property, the qualifying payment
	is considered one of the borrower's monthly debt obligations when calculating the DTI ratio.
Calculating	» REMN must base its calculation of real estate taxes for borrower qualification (and escrow account
Monthly Real	purposes) on no less than the current assessed value. (The taxes are typically listed within the title
Estate Tax	commitment). However, REMN may (or must in some circumstances) project the real estate taxes if it
Payment	can document one of the following:
	- The amount of taxes will be reduced based on federal, state or local jurisdictional requirements.
	However, the taxes may not be reduced if an appeal to reduce them is only pending and has not
	been approved.
	- If the transaction is new construction, REMN must use a reasonable estimate of the real estate
	taxes based on the value of the land and completed improvements.
	- There is tax abatement on the subject property for no less than 5 years from the note date.
	- For a municipality with a 10-year abatement, qualify the borrower with the reduced tax amount
	- For a municipality with a 10-year abatement and with annual real estate tax increases in years 1 -
	10, REMN must qualify the borrower with the annual taxes that will be required at the end of the
	5th year after the first mortgage payment due date.

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- » The presence of significant derogatory credit events dramatically increases the likelihood of a future default and represents a significantly higher level of default risk. Examples of significant derogatory credit events include bankruptcies, foreclosures, deeds-in-lieu of foreclosure, pre-foreclosure sales, short sales and charge-offs on mortgage accounts. The terms "pre-foreclosure sale" and short sale" are used interchangeably by FNMA and have the same meaning.
- » REMN must determine the cause and significance of derogatory information, verify that sufficient time has elapsed since the date of the last derogatory information and confirm that the borrower has reestablished an acceptable credit history. REMN must make the final decision about the acceptability of a borrower's credit history when significant derogatory credit information exists.
- » The waiting period commences on the completion, discharge or dismissal date (as applicable) of the derogatory credit event and ends on the disbursement date of the REMN new loan. See Extenuating Circumstances for Derogatory Credit for additional information.
- » REMN must review the credit report and Section VIII, Declarations, of the loan application to identify instances of significant derogatory credit events. REMN must review the public records section of the credit report and all trade lines, including mortgage accounts (first liens, second liens, home improvement loans, HELOC's and mobile home loans), to identify previous foreclosures, deeds-in-lieu or pre-foreclosure sales and bankruptcies. REMN must carefully review the current status of each trade line, manner of payment codes and remarks (descriptive text or codes, such as "foreclosure", "forfeit deed in lieu of foreclosure", "settled for less than full balance") to identify these types of significant derogatory credit events.
- Significant derogatory credit events may not be accurately reported or consistently reported in the same manner by all creditors or credit reporting agencies. If not clearly identified in the credit report, REMN must obtain copies of appropriate documentation. Documentation must establish the completion date of a previous foreclosure, deed-in-lieu or pre-foreclosure sale; confirm the bankruptcy discharge or dismissal date; and identify debts that were not satisfied by bankruptcy. Debts that were not satisfied by a bankruptcy must be paid off or have an acceptable, established repayment schedule.

Extenuating Circumstances

Derogatory Events

- Extenuating circumstances are considered isolated events that are beyond the borrower's control that result in a sudden, significant and prolonged reduction in income or a large increase in the borrower's obligations (e.g. death of a borrower, layoff, serious illness, divorce, etc.).
 - Acceptable documentation to support extenuating circumstances and that illustrate factors that contributed to the borrower's inability to resolve the problem is required (e.g. copy of divorce decree, layoff notice, death certificate, medical bills, tax returns, property listing agreements, etc.)
 - Additionally, a letter of explanation from the borrower explaining the relevance of the documentation is required.
- » NOTE: A DU Approve/Eligible finding is still required even in cases where extenuating circumstances are considered; manual underwriting is not allowed on Conventional loan transactions.

Past-Due, Collection and Charge-Off of Non-Mortgage Accounts

- » Accounts that are reported as past due (not reported as collection accounts) must be brought current. Medical collection accounts are excluded from the limits below and are not required to be paid in full at or prior to closing.
- » For one-unit, principal residence properties, borrowers are not required to pay off outstanding collections or non-mortgage charge offs regardless of the amount.
 Note: If PEAN marks the collection account Paid By Class in the police leap application. PLL will issue a collection.
 - **Note**: If REMN marks the collection account Paid By Close in the online loan application, DU will issue a message in the DU Underwriting Findings report stating that the collection must be paid
- » For two-four-unit, owner occupied and second home properties, collections and non-mortgage charge-offs totaling more than \$5,000 must be paid in full prior to or at closing.
- » For investment properties, individual collection and non-mortgage charge-off 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.
 REMN OVERLAY: At underwriter discretion based upon the type and amount of the collection; payoff may be required.

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IRS Payment Plans	» Monthly payment due under an IRS income tax installment agreement allowable and should be included		
	in the DTI ratio (in lieu of payment in full), provided the following requirements are met:		
	» There is no indication that a Notice of Federal Tax Lien has been filed against the borrower in the county		
	in which the subject property is located.		
	» REMN must obtain the following documentation:		
	 an approved IRS installment agreement with the terms of repayment, including the monthly 		
	payment amount and total amount due; and		
	 evidence the borrower is current on the payments associated with the tax installment plan. 		
	Acceptable evidence includes the most recent payment reminder from the IRS, reflecting the		
	last payment amount and date and the next payment amount owed and due date. At least one		
	payment must have been made prior to closing.		
Charge-Off	» Mortgage accounts, including 1st or 2nd liens, home improvement loans, HELOCs and manufactured		
Mortgage	home loans, will be identified as a charge-off if there is a MOP code of "9" (collection or charge-off) and		
Accounts	there is no information indicating the account may also be subject to a foreclosure, a bankruptcy, a		
	deed-in-lieu or a pre-foreclosure sale.		
	» When DU identifies a charge-off on a mortgage trade line, REMN must confirm the accuracy of the		
	information. REMN must also document the event was completed four (4) or more years from the		
	disbursement date of the new loan, or two (2) or more years from the disbursement date of the new		
	loan when loan meets applicable timeframes and eligibility for extenuating circumstances.		
Modified	» With a modified mortgage, there is no "refinance" involved. Modified mortgage guidelines only apply		
Mortgage	to the actual loan that has been modified. REMN Underwriters will NOT be involved in "modified		
	mortgage" guidelines.		
	» A modified mortgage is a loan that was legally modified after loan closing in a way that changed any		
	of the loan terms or attributes reflected in the original note. In general, mortgage loans with material modifications, such as changes to the original loan amount, interest rate, final maturity or product		
	structure, are not eligible for delivery to FNMA.		
	A mortgage that was modified to effect technical or typographical corrections is permitted for delivery		
	provided that all of the changes correct errors in executed documents, which reflect the term of the		
	original transaction. None of the changes can be the result of a subsequent modification or		
	amendment to the original loan amount, interest rate or other material loan terms. The correction		
	may not result in a change to, or create any inconsistencies with, other legal documents.		
Deed-In-Lieu of	The following applies to all mortgage loans past and present the borrower is/was obligated on.		
Foreclosure and	» These transaction types are completed as alternatives to foreclosure. A deed-in-lieu of foreclosure is a		
Pre-foreclosure	transaction in which the deed to the property is transferred back to the servicer. A pre-foreclosure sale		
See Waiting Period	or short sale is the sale of a property in lieu of a foreclosure resulting in a payoff of less than the total		
Jee <u>waiting renou</u>	amount owed, which was preapproved by REMN.		
	» The terms "pre-foreclosure sale" and short sale" are used interchangeably by FNMA and have the same		
	meaning. Do not treat as a Modified Mortgage or Restructured Mortgage.		

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CREDIT & UNDERWRITING Bankruptcy Chapter 7 or 11 A four (4) year waiting period is required, measured from the discharge or dismissal date of the bankruptcy to the credit report date with REMN. **Exceptions for Extenuation Circumstances** - Two (2) year waiting period is permitted if extenuating circumstances can be documented and is measured from the discharge/dismissal date of the bankruptcy to disbursement date with REMN. A distinction is made between Chapter 13 bankruptcies that were discharged and those that were dismissed. The waiting period required for Chapter 13 bankruptcy actions is measured as follows: Two (2) years from discharge date to disbursement date with REMN, or Four (4) years from dismissal date to disbursement date with REMN The shorter waiting period based on the discharge date recognizes that the borrowers have already met a portion of the waiting period within the time needed for successful completion of a Chapter 13 plan and subsequent discharge. **Exceptions for Extenuating Circumstances** A two (2) year waiting period is permitted after a Chapter 13 dismissal, if extenuating circumstances can be documented. There are no exceptions permitted to the 2-year waiting period after a Chapter 13 discharge. **Multiple Bankruptcy Filings** For a borrower with more than one (1) bankruptcy filing within the past seven (7) years, a five (5) year waiting period is required, measured from the most recent dismissal/discharge date to disbursement date with REMN. Note: The presence of multiple bankruptcies in the borrower's credit history is evidence of significant derogatory credit and increases the likelihood of future default. Two (2) or more borrowers with individual bankruptcies are not cumulative and do not constitute multiple bankruptcies. - Borrower has one (1) bankruptcy and the co-borrower has one (1) bankruptcy this is not considered multiple bankruptcies. Waiting Period for Mortgage Debt Discharged through Bankruptcy If a mortgage debt has been discharged through bankruptcy, even if a foreclosure action is subsequently completed to reclaim the property in satisfaction of the debt, the borrower is held to the bankruptcy waiting periods and not the foreclosure waiting period. REMN must obtain documentation to verify that the mortgage debt in question was in fact discharged as part of the bankruptcy. **CCCS** Follow DU Approve/Eligible findings **Foreclosure** A seven (7) year waiting period is required and is measured from the completion date of the foreclosure action as reported on the disbursement or other documents provided by the borrower. **Exceptions for Extenuating Circumstances** A three (3) year waiting period is permitted if extenuating circumstances can be documented and is measured from the completion date of the foreclosure action. - Additional requirements apply between three (3) and seven (7) years, which include: The maximum LTV/CLTV/HCLTV ratios of the lesser of 90% or the maximum LTV/CLTV/HCLTV ratios for the transaction per the Eligibility Matrix. The purchase of a principal residence is permitted. Limited cash-out refinanced are permitted for all occupancy types pursuant to eligibility requirements in effect at the time of application with REMN **Note**: The purchase of a second home or investment properties and cash-out refinances (any occupancy type) are not permitted until the seven (7) year waiting period has elapsed. If a mortgage debt has been discharged through bankruptcy, even if a foreclosure action is subsequently completed to reclaim the property in satisfactory of the debt, the borrower is held to the bankruptcy waiting periods and not the foreclosure waiting period. REMN must obtain documentation to verify that the mortgage debt in question was in fact discharged as part of the bankruptcy. If the mortgage was excluded from the bankruptcy - and then subsequently defaults - this guideline would not apply.

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Borrower with Prior Foreclosure with REMN – REMN Policy	 In the event that a Borrower(s) on the loan application has a prior foreclosure with REMN, the following will apply: The loan must be elevated to the REMN Chief Credit Officer for consideration. A detailed memor explaining the reason(s) for the foreclosure will be required, including, but not limited to the following:		
	loss incurred by REMN, • Explanation should be for 'extraordinary" situations, such as prolonged medical condition and/or death of a household wage-earner. » The loan must otherwise meet all Agency/Investor guidelines that apply for foreclosure.		
Requirements for Re-Established Credit	 After a bankruptcy, foreclosure, deed-in-lieu of foreclosure or pre-foreclosure (short sale) sale, the borrower's credit will be considered re-established if <u>all</u> of the following are met: The waiting period and the related additional requirements are met; and The loan receives an Approve/Eligible recommendation from DU; and The borrower has traditional credit; non-traditional or "thin credit" files are <u>not</u> acceptable Approve/Eligible Findings required. 		
Waiting Period		owing summarizes the waiting period for	waiting Period with Extenuation
	Event	Waiting Period ¹	Circumstances
	Chapter 7 or 11	4 Years	2 Years
	Chapter 13	2 Years from discharge date OR 4 years from dismissal date	2 years from discharge dismissal date
	Multiple BK	5 years if more than 1 filing in the past 7 years	3 years from most recent discharge or dismissal date
	Foreclosure ³	7 years	3 years Additional requirements after 3 years up to 7 years: 90% maximum LTV/CLTV/HCLTV Ratios ² Purchase – Principal Residence Limited Cash-Out – All occupancy types
	Deed-In-Lieu or Pre- foreclosure	4 years	2 years
	and ends on the and ends on the and ends on the and	ne credit report date for the new loan see s permitted are the lesser of the LTV/CLT ankruptcy and foreclosure are disclosed ort, REMN may apply the bankruptcy we noto verify that the mortgage loan in	te (as applicable) of the derogatory credit event e <u>DU Loan Casefiles Waiting Period</u> . TV/HCLTV ratios in table or the <u>Eligibility Matrix</u> . on the loan application, or when both appear on waiting period if REMN obtains the appropriate in question was discharged in the bankruptcy. foreclosure waiting period must be applied.

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» A Verification of Employment must be obtained within 120	Colendar days prior to the note date.				
» A Reverification of Employment must be obtained.					
 For salaried borrowers, the reverification must b 	e within 10 business days prior to the note				
date.					
 For self-employed borrowers, the reverification n 	nust be within 20 business days prior to the				
note date.					
» Business License, CPA Letter or Federal Tax ID Certificate re	equired for all Self-Employed Borrowers (3 rd				
party verification required).					
» Minimum of two (2) years employment history must be ve					
» Exceptions when verifying Hourly, Salary, and Commission					
If the employer will not verbally verify employments and the second					
(other than additional paystub) or an email excha					
employer's work email address confirming the bo	• •				
the same time frame as the Verbal VOE require					
include the name and title of the person who con	IN must conduct additional due diligence to				
	e employer is accurate. Examples of due				
	o, searches of domain name on employer				
	email address), employer directory on the				
internet, or other professional networking					
The email exchange must include	-				
o borrower's name and e					
	email address of the individual contacted at				
the employer;					
o date of contact; and					
o borrower's current em	ployment status.				
–If the borrower is a union member who works in a	n occupation that results in a series of short-				
term job assignments (such as a skilled construc					
and the union facilitates the borrower's placemen					
verbal VOE from the union.	it in each assignment, NEIVIV may obtain the				
 If the employer uses a third-party employment ver 	rification vendor, REMN must obtain written				
verification from the vendor of the borrower's c					
time frame as the verbal VOE requirements. NOTE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
typically updated monthly, the verification must e	vidence that the information in the vendor's				
database was no more than 35 days old as of the					
» If the borrower is in the military, in lieu of a verbal or writt					
 A military Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) dated 	within 120 calendar days prior to the note				
date, or					
A verification of employment through the <u>Defense Management</u>					
» When employment is validated by DU, DU includes in its a	=				
vendor's database. The DU message will include a date by	-				
from the age of data and 10 business day requirements satisfies the requirement for completing the verification or					
able and The stable and reliable flow of income is a key cons					
edictable Individuals who change jobs frequently but who are able					
come are also considered to have a reliable flow of income for q	-				
Examples of less predictable income sources include of the sour					
of overtime pay, or employment that is subject to t					
tradesmen.	, ,				

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Variable Income

- All income that is calculated by an averaging method must be reviewed to assess the borrower's history of receipt, the frequency of payment and trending of the amount of income being received.
 - Examples of income of this type include income from hourly workers with fluctuating hours, or income that includes commissions, bonuses or overtime.

History of Receipt

» Two or more years of receipt of a particular type of variable income is recommended; however, variable income that has been received for 12 to 24 months may be considered acceptable income as long as the borrower's loan application demonstrates that there are positive factors that reasonably offset the shorter income history.

Frequency of Payment

- » REMN must determine the frequency of payment (weekly, biweekly, monthly, quarterly or annually) to arrive at an accurate calculation of the monthly income to be used in income trending (see below
 - If a borrower is paid an annual bonus on March 31st of each year, the amount of the March bonus should be divided by 12 to obtain an accurate calculation of the current monthly bonus amount.
 - If a borrower is paid overtime on a biweekly basis, the most recent paystub must be analyzed to
 determine that both the current overtime earnings for the period and the year-to-date overtime
 earnings are consistent and, if not, why. REMN must investigate the difference between current
 period overtime and year-to-date earnings and document the analysis using the income in the
 trending analysis.

Income Trending

- » After the monthly year-to-date income amount is calculated, it must be compared to prior years' earnings using the borrower's W2 or signed federal income tax returns.
 - If the trend in the amount of income is stable or increasing, the income should be averaged.
 - If the trend was declining but has since stabilized and there is no reason to believe that the borrower will not continue to be employed at the current level, the current lower amount of variable income must be used.
 - If the trend is declining, the income may not be stable. Additional analysis must be conducted to determine if any variable income should be used. But in no instance should it be averaged over the period when the declining income occurred.

Continuity of Income

- » Unless REMN has knowledge to the contrary, if the income does not have a defined expiration date and the applicable history of receipt of the income is documented (per the specific income type), REMN may conclude the income is stable, predictable and likely to continue. REMN is not expected to request additional documentation from the borrower.
- » If the income source does have a defined expiration date or is dependent on the depletion of an asset account or other limited benefit, REMN must document the likelihood of continued receipt of income for at least 3 years.

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Variable Income - Continued

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» The following table contains examples of income types with and without defined expiration dates. This information is provided to assist Underwriters in determining whether additional income documentation may be necessary to support a three (3) year continuance.

	documentation may be necessary to support a three (3) year continuance.				
Expiration Date NOT Defined			Defined Expiration Date*		
»	Automobile Allowance	»	Alimony or Child Support		
»	Base Salary	»	Distributions from Retirement Account (IRA,		
»	Bonus, Overtime, Commission or Tip Income		401k, SEP, Keogh)		
»	Capital Gains Income	»	Mortgage Differential Payments		
»	Corporate Retirement or Pension Income	»	Notes Receivable		
»	Disability Income – Long Term	»	Public Assistance		
»	Interest & Dividend Income (unless other	»	Royalty Payment Income		
	evidence that asset will be depleted)	»	Social Security (not including retirement or		
»	Foster-Care Income		long-term disability)		
»	Military Income	»	Time-based Restricted Stock Units or		
»	Part-Time Job Income, Second Job or Seasonal		Restricted Stock Income when receipt was a		
	Income		one-time event		
»	Rental Income	»	VA Benefits (not including retirement or long-		
»	Self-Employed Income		term disability)		
»	Social Security, VA or other Government				
	Retirement Annuity Income				
»	Time-based Restricted Stock Units or				
	Restricted Stock Income when awarded in				
	multiple consecutive years				

Note: Continuity of income for trust income must be based on the type of income received through the trust. For example, if the income from the trust is derived from rental income, then three-year continuance is not required. However, if the income is a fixed payment derived from a depleting asset, then three-year continuance must be determined.

*Because these income sources have a defined expiration date or allow the depletion of an asset, care must be taken when this is the sole source or majority of qualifying income. REMN must consider the borrower's continued capacity to repay the loan when the income source expires, or the distribution will deplete the asset prior to maturation of the mortgage loan. Income sources not listed above will require Underwriter judgment to determine documentation of continuance.

Determining the Need for Federal Income Tax Returns

- » REMN must obtain copies of the borrower's signed feral income tax returns filed with the IRS for the past two years for the following sources of income or employment, if the borrower:
 - Is employed by family members
 - Is employed by interested parties to the property sale or purchase
 - Receives rental income from an investment property (only one year of tax returns is required unless the borrower meets one or more of the other conditions in this list)
 - Receives income from temporary or periodic employment (or unemployment) or employment that is subject to time limits; such as contract employees or tradesmen.
 - Receives income from capital gains, royalties, real estate or other miscellaneous non-employment earnings reported on IRS Form 1099
 - Receives income that cannot otherwise be verified by an independent and knowledgeable source
 - Uses foreign income to qualify
 - Uses interest and dividend income to qualify
 - Receives income from Sole Proprietorships, LLC's, Partnerships, Corporations or other type of business structure in which the borrower has a 25% or greater ownership interest. Borrowers with a 25% or greater ownership interest are considered self-employed. REMN must document and underwrite the loan application using the requirements for self-employed borrowers.

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Variable Income -	Verification of Income for Non U.S. Citizen Borrowers					
Continued	Employment Type	Employment & Income Verification				
	Salaried or commissioned borrowers employed by	Same as for U.S. Citizen				
	a U.S. company or individual					
	Self-Employed	Same as for U.S. Citizen				
	Employed by a foreign corporation or a foreign	Copies of the borrower's signed federal tax returns				
	government and paid in foreign currency (foreign	filed with the IRS for the most recent 2-year				
	income)	period; and,				
		Documentation to satisfy the standard income				
		documentation requirements.				
		Note: All income must be translated to U.S.				
	Using Nontaxable Income to Adjust Gross Income					
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	come is nontaxable. Documentation that can be used				
		olicy agreements, account statements or any other				
	documents that address the nontaxable status o					
		If the income is verified to be nontaxable and the income and its tax-exempt status is likely to continue,				
	REMN may develop an "adjusted gross income" for the borrower by adding an amount equivalent to 25% of the nontaxable income to the borrower's income.					
		the actual amount of federal and state taxes that would be generally paid by a wage earner in a similar				
	tax bracket is more than 25% of the borrower's nontaxable income, REMN may use that amount to					
	develop the adjusted gross income, which should be used in calculating the borrower's qualifying ratio.					
	Exceptions					
	REMN is not required to provide documentation to support that the income is nontaxable for the following:					
	· ·	nount of qualifying child support income as nontaxable				
	and gross-up the income as described above.	, , ,				
		the income as nontaxable and gross-up the income as				
	described above					
	» Example:					
	 Benefit amount: \$1,500 					
	 Nontaxable amount: \$1,500 x 15% = \$225 					
	 Gross-up amount: \$225 x 25% = \$56 (rounded) 	,				
	 Qualifying income: \$1,556 (does not require 	·				
	 Note: If REMN opts to gross-up more than 15% of Social Security income, documentation to 					
	support that the additional income is nontax	rable must be included in the loan file.				

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General Income Documentation Requirements

- REMN must verify employment income for all borrowers whose income is used to qualify for the mortgage loan.
- » For additional information refer to <u>Age of Credit Documents</u> and <u>Tax Return Requirements</u>.

Paystubs and W-2s

- » The paystub must be dated no earlier than 30 days prior to the initial loan application with REMN and it must include all year-to-date earnings. Additionally, the paystub must include sufficient information to appropriately calculate income; otherwise, additional documentation must be obtained. Paystubs must comply with Age of Credit Documents.
- » IRS W2 forms must cover the most recent one-year or two-year period, based on the documentation requirements for the particular income type. The W2 forms must clearly identify the borrower as the employee.
 - For loans where DU Approve/Eligible findings require W-2 statements, it is acceptable to use an IRS "Wage and Income Transcript" (W-2 transcript) in lieu of the actual W-2 forms.
- "Most recent" W2 is defined as the W2 for the calendar year prior to the current calendar year.
 Alternative documentation, such as written Request for Verification of Employment or the final year-to-date paystub, may be used as long as adequate information is provided.
- » Documents must be computer-generated or typed by the borrower's employer(s) paystubs that the borrower downloads from the internet are also acceptable. Documents must clearly identify the employer's name and source of information.
- » The documents must clearly identify the borrower as the employee.
- » The information must be complete and legible.
- » The original source of the information must be a third party, such as borrower's human resources department, personnel office, payroll department, company's payroll vendor or supervisor.
- » Personal federal income tax returns, if applicable, must be borrower signed copies or duplicates of the original returns that were filed with the IRS. All supporting schedules must be included.
 - **Note**: REMN will only accept a fully completed VOE as a <u>supplement</u> to further explain the type of income earned (example: breakdown of income; Base, OT, Bonus, Commission, etc.).
- » Income derived from a state-legalized marijuana business(es) can be used to qualify the loan:
 - W-2 income only; not acceptable for self-employed income
 - The option to use the income is for a salaried/wage-earner only; if W-2 income is coming as the result of owning the corporation, it is still considered self-employed and cannot be used.
 - This option is only available for FNMA Agency loans. The loan must be locked by Capital Markets to a FNMA agency product and cannot be underwritten or locked to any other agency product (i.e. FHLMC, FHA, VA, etc.)

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FNMA Tax Return Requirements

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- When required, personal federal income tax returns must be copies of the original returns that were filed with the IRS. All supporting schedules must be included.
- Each tax return must be signed by the borrower unless REMN has obtained one of the following signature alternatives;
 - Documentation confirming that the tax returns were filed electronically,
 - A completed IRS Form 4506C (signed by the borrower) for the year in question; or,
 - IRS transcripts that validate the tax return.
- » For some types of sources of income, FNMA requires REMN to obtain copies of federal income tax returns (personal returns and, if applicable, business returns). The "most recent year's" tax return is defined as the last return scheduled to have been filed with the IRS.

If Today's Date is	Then the Most Recent Year's Tax Returns would be
January 15, 2025	2023
February 15, 2025*	2024*
April 16, 2025	2024
December 15, 2024	2023

- * For loans that are subject to the most recent tax returns and with a note date of 1/30/25 and later, the following will apply:
 - The borrower(s) must provide and be qualified considering their 2024 1040 Tax Return, OR
 - The borrower(s) must sign an Income Attestation form at closing, verifying they have not yet filed their 2024 1040 form.
- » The following table describes which tax-related documentation to obtain depending on the application date and disbursement date of the mortgage.

Application Date	Disbursement Date	Documentation Required
October 15 (current year	October 15 (current year	The most recent year's tax return is required. The
minus 1) to April 14,	minus 1) to April 14,	use of a Tax Extension (IRS Form 4868) is not
current year	current year	permitted.
	April 15, current year to	The most recent year's tax return is recommended;
	June 30, current year	however, the previous year(s) is also acceptable.
		In the event the most recent year's tax return is not
		obtained, the loan file must include a completed
		and signed IRS Form 4506-C for transcripts of tax
		returns provided by the borrower to REMN.
	July 1, current year to	The most recent year's tax return is
	October 14 current year	recommended;

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	April 15, current year to October 14, current year (for April filing date for the year in question as published by the IRS)	April 15, current year to December 31, current year	however, the previous year(s) is also acceptable. In the event the most recent year's tax return is not obtained, REMN must perform all of the following: Dotain one of the following documents from the borrower: Copy of IRS Form 4868 (Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return) filed with the IRS, proof of the e-filing of Form 4868, or confirmation of electronic payment(s), including the confirmation number, of all or part of the estimated income taxes. Review the total tax liability either reported on IRS Form 4868 or paid by the borrower and compare it with the borrower's tax liability from the most recent year obtained as a measure of income source stability and continuance. An estimated tax liability that is inconsistent with previous years may make it necessary for REMN to require the current returns in order to proceed. Dotain IRS response from the filing of IRS Form 4506—C confirming that no transcripts are available for the applicable tax year. (Alternatively, REMN may, at their own discretion, rely on borrower provided evidence that no transcripts are available for applicable tax years when that evidence is obtained directly from the IRS website). Note: Any documents provided by the borrower must clearly identify the source of information including identifying information in the Internet banner on the document.
		January 1 (current year plus 1) to April 14, (current year plus 1)	The most recent year's tax return is required. The use of a Tax Extension (IRS Form 4868) is not permitted.
	of any month except Decei	urns, if the borrower's busir mber), REMN may adjust the	ness uses a fiscal year (a year ending on the last day e dates in the above chart to determine what year(s)

Note: For business tax returns, if the borrower's business uses a fiscal year (a year ending on the last day of any month except December), REMN may adjust the dates in the above chart to determine what year(s) of business tax returns are required in relation to the application/disbursement date of the mortgage loan. Note: REMN will not observe IRS Filing Extensions beyond the standard extension (including FEMA extensions). There are **no exceptions** to this requirement.

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Base Pay (Salary or	» Verification of base pay, bonus and overtime income	
Hourly) Bonus and	 A minimum history of two (2) years employment income is recommended. However, income that 	
Overtime Income	has been received for a shorter period of time may be considered as acceptable income, as long	
	as the borrowers' employment profile demonstrates that there are positive factors to reasonably	
	offset the shorter income history.	
	 Borrowers' relying on overtime or bonus income for qualifying purposes must have a history of no 	
	less than twelve (12) months.	
Commission	» A minimum history of two (2) years of commission income is recommended; however, commission	
Income	income that has been received for 12 to 24 months may be considered acceptable income, as long as	
	there are positive factors to reasonably offset the shorter income history.	
	» One of the following must be obtained to document commission income:	
	 A completed Verification of Employment, or 	
	 The borrower's most recent paystub and IRS W2 forms covering the most recent two-year period. 	
	» A verbal VOE is required from each employer, based on Fannie Mae Verbal VOE requirements.	
Secondary Income	» Secondary employment income is income that is derived from a second job or multiple jobs the	
	borrower may have. REMN must verify the following;	
	- Verification of a minimum history of two years of uninterrupted secondary employment is	
	recommended. However, income that has been received for a shorter period of time (no less than	
	12 months) may be considered as acceptable income, as long as there are positive factors to	
	reasonably offset the shorter income history.	
	 A borrower may have a history that includes different employers, which is acceptable as long as the 	
	income has been consistently received and there has been no gap greater than 30 days in the past	
	12 months (unless the income is seasonal).	
Seasonal Income	REMN must verify the following for seasonal income:	
	» Verify that the borrower has worked in the same job (or the same line of seasonal work) for the past	
	two (2) years.	
	» For seasonal unemployment compensation, verify that it is appropriately documented, clearly	
	associated with seasonal layoffs, expected to recur and reported on the borrower's signed federal	
Militanu Incomo	income tax returns. Otherwise, unemployment compensation cannot be used to qualify the borrower.	
Military Income	» Military personnel may be entitled to different types of pay in addition to their base pay. Flight or hazard pay, rations, clothing allowance, quarters' allowance, and proficiency pay are acceptable sources of	
	stable income, as long as REMN can establish that the particular source of income will continu	
	received in the future.	
	To verify military base pay and entitlements, REMN must obtain the borrower's most recent Leave and	
	Earnings Statement (LES).	
	 Income paid to military reservists while they are satisfying their reserve obligations also is acceptable if 	
	it satisfies the same stability and continuity tests applied to secondary employment.	
Union Workers	 If the borrower is a union member and employed full-time through the employer on a W-2 basis, then 	
Official Workers	no additional verification of employment is required outside of what is requested by the DU	
	Approve/Eligible findings.	
	» A union member who works in an occupation that results in a series of short-term job assignments (such	
	as a skilled construction worker, longshoreman, or stagehand), the union may provide the executed	
	employment offer or contract for future employment.	
	» For union members who are employed through the union/union hall (i.e. contract employees,	
	tradesmen) and/or receive variable sources of income from assigned union jobs, then additional	
	verification may be required to evidence stability of employment/income (i.e. two years Federal Income	
	Tax Returns). See <u>Determining the Need for Federal Income Tax Returns</u> topic in the Variable Income	
	section of this Product Description for further reference.	
Employed By	Two (2) years tax returns (1040's) are required to support the borrower's income	
Family Members	 Borrower's current income documentation (based DU Approve/Eligible findings) can be used to qualify 	
. alliny wielibers	the loan, so long as the two (2) years 1040's evidence the following:	
	- Borrowers do not have any ownership interest in the business, and	
	Any significant increase (or decrease) noted in the borrower's tax returns is satisfactorily	
	explained.	
	explained.	

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Rental Income

Eligible Properties

- » Rental income is an acceptable source of stable income for the following property types if it can be established that the income is likely to continue. If the rental income is derived from the subject property, the property must be one of the following:
 - 2-4-unit principal residence property in which the borrower occupies one (1) of the units; or,
 - 1-4-unit investment property (1st Time Homebuyers see <u>1st Time Homebuyer Investment</u>
 Purchase section to reference allowable rental income)

Ineligible Properties

» Generally, rental income from the borrower's principal residence (1-unit principal residence or the unit the borrower occupies in a 2-4 unit property) or a second home cannot be used to qualify the borrower.

General Requirements for Documenting Rental Income

If a borrower has a history of renting the subject or another property, rental income will be reported on Schedule E of the borrower's personal tax returns. If the borrower does not have a history of renting the subject property, REMN may be justified in using a current lease agreement. Examples of scenarios that justify the use of a lease agreement are:

- » Purchase transactions,
- » Refinance transactions in which the borrower purchased the rental property during or subsequent to the last tax return filing; or,
- » Refinance transactions of a property that experienced significant rental interruptions such that income is not report on the tax return (i.e. major renovations to a property occurred in the prior year that affected rental income).
- » transactions where rental income is being used to qualify for any property placed in service in the current calendar year, for example, when converting a principal residence to an investment property.

When the subject property <u>will</u> generate rental income one (1) of the following forms must be used to support the income-earning potential of the property;

- 1-unit properties Single-Family Comparable Rent Schedule (Form 1007) & Appraisal; or,
- 2-4-unit properties Small Residential Income Property Appraisal Report (Form 1025).
 Note: Form 1007 is only required when rental income is being used to qualify the borrower.
- » See Reserves for MANDATORY MANUAL RESERVE CALCULATION REQUIREMENTS.

Documenting Rental Income	e from Subject Property		
Does Borrower Have History of Receiving Rental Income from the Subject Property?	Transaction Type	Documentation Requirements	
YES	Refinance	 Form 1007 or Form 1025, as applicable and either; The borrower's most recent year of signed federal income tax returns, including Schedule E; or, Copies of the current lease agreement(s) if the borrower can document a qualifying exception (Partial or No Rental History on Tax Returns) 	
No	Purchase	 Form 1007 or Form 1025, as applicable, and copies of current lease agreement(s) if transferred to the borrower. If the property is not currently rented or if the existing lease is not being transferred to the borrower, then lease agreements are not required and Form 1007 or Form 1025 may be used. If there is a lease on the property that is being transferred to the borrower, REMN is responsible for ensuring clear title and first lien enforceability in accordance with FNMA Life-of-Loan Representations and Warranties. 	
No	Refinance	 » Form 1007 or Form 1025, as applicable; and, » Copies of the current lease agreement(s). 	

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If the borrower is not using any rental income from the subject property to qualify, the gross monthly rent must still be documented for REMN reporting purposes – Reporting of Gross Monthly Rent.

Documenting Rental Income from Property Other Than the Subject Property

- » When the borrower owns property other than the subject property that is rented, REMN must document the monthly gross (and net) rental income with
 - the borrower's most recent signed federal income tax return that includes Schedule 1 and Schedule E,
 - the most recent signed federal business income tax return for a partnership or S corporation, that includes IRS Form 8825 (when only rental income is reported on the K-1), or
 - both of the above, when rental properties are reported on both personal and business returns.
- When ordinary income is also reported on Schedule K-1, along with IRS Form 8825 rental income, all documentation guidelines for <u>Self-Employed Borrowers</u> or <u>Schedule K-1 Income</u> apply.
- » Note: For rental income reported on Schedule E of personal returns, copies of the current lease agreement(s) may be substituted if the borrower can document a qualifying exception. See Reconciling Partial or No Rental History on Tax Returns (Schedule E Only) below and Calculating Monthly Qualifying Rental Income (or Loss).

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1st Time Homebuyer Investment Purchase

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<u>REMN Overlay</u> – For First Time Homebuyers (FTHB) purchasing an investment property in the specific counties/MSA's listed below, the following table represents the rental income from the subject property that can be utilized (FTHB is defined as at least one borrower(s) responds "No" to the declaration M question: "Have you had an ownership interest in the last 3 years?"):

Property Type	Allowed Rental Income to be Utilized*	
1 Unit	No rental income can be used	
2 Unit	Rental income from one (1) unit can be used	
3 Unit	Rental income from two (2) units can be used	
4 Unit	Rental income from three (3) units can be used	

^{*}The unit(s) with the lesser rental income will be the unit(s) considered for qualifying purposes.

The specific counties/MSA's where this overlay applies are:

Five Boroughs of New York City, NY	Following California Counties:	
Bronx	Alameda	
Brooklyn	Contra Costa	
Manhattan	Fresno	
Queens	Los Angeles	
Staten Island (Richmond County)	Riverside	
	San Diego	
	Santa Clara	

Partial or No Rental History on Tax Returns

- When rental income is being used to qualify, REMN must consider whether the income reported on the most recent signed personal federal income tax returns is appropriate to use in underwriting.
- » To determine qualifying rental income, in those scenarios where the borrower has only a partial rental history on the personal federal tax returns, REMN must determine the period of time the rental property was in service (that is, rented, with the borrower receiving rental income from that property).
- » If the borrower is able to document (per the table below) that the rental property was not in service the previous tax year, or was in service for only a portion of the previous tax year, REMN may determine qualifying rental income by using one of the following options:
 - Schedule E income and expenses, and annualizing the income (or loss) calculation, or
 - fully executed lease agreement(s) to determine the gross rental income to be used in the net rental income (or loss) calculation.

rental income (or loss) calculation.			
If	The	en	
the property was acquired	»	REMN must confirm the purchase date using the settlement statement	
or placed into service		or other documentation, and	
during the most recent tax	>>	Fair Rental Days on Schedule E of the most recently filed tax return must	
filing year		confirm partial year rental income.	
the property was acquired	»	REMN must confirm the purchase date using the settlement statement	
or placed into service		or other documentation, if applicable.	
subsequent to the most	»	In addition, for properties recently converted to an investment property	
recent tax filing year,		or newly placed in service, obtain Schedule E of the most recently filed	
		tax return to confirm no rental income or expenses for this property.	
the property was acquired	»	Repair expenses on Schedule E of the most recently filed tax return must	
prior to the most recent		reflect the costs for renovation or rehabilitation. Additional	
tax filing year, but was out		documentation may be required to ensure that the expenses support a	
of service for an extended		significant renovation that supports the amount of time that the rental	
period		property was out of service.	
	»	Fair Rental Days on Schedule E of the most recently filed tax return must	
		confirm the number of days that the rental unit was in service, which	
		must support the unit being out of service for all or a portion of the year.	

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Calculating Monthly Qualifying Rental Income (or Loss)

- » Rental income must be calculated for each rental property. The amount of rental income that may be used to qualify may be restricted depending on whether the borrower currently has a housing payment and has a history of receiving rental income.
- » A housing payment is the total monthly expense amount the borrower(s) is currently making for the primary residence occupied by the borrower(s).
- » A housing payment can only include the following:
 - rental housing payment,
 - PITIA payment and/or leasehold payment for mortgaged properties, or
 - property taxes and/or leasehold payments for non-mortgaged properties.
- » If not otherwise documented as one of the borrower's existing liabilities, REMN must document the borrower's housing payment. Documentation may include, but is not limited to:
 - direct verification of rent from a management company,
 - bank statements reflecting a payment to an organization or individual,
 - cancelled checks or equivalent, or
 - evidence of property taxes paid.
- » The following tables provide restrictions on the amount of rental income that may be used for qualifying purposes based on various borrower and rental income scenarios.

Subject Property				
Property Type	Current Primary Housing Payment	Property Management Experience	Restrictions on Rental Income Used to Qualify	
	Yes	Yes	No Restrictions	
2-4 Unit Primary	res	No	May not exceed the PITIA	
Residence	No	N/A	Rental income may not be used to qualify	
	Yes	Yes	No Restrictions	
1-4 Unit Investment	res	No	May not exceed the PITIA	
Property	No	N/A	Rental income may not be used to qualify	
	Non	-Subject Property		
Property Type	Current Primary Housing Payment	Property Management Experience	Restrictions on Rental Income Used to Qualify	
2-4 Unit Primary Residence	.,	Yes	No Restrictions	
	Yes	No	May not exceed the PITIA	
1-4 Unit Investment Property – new or	Yes	Yes	No Restrictions	
newly placed in service (includes	163	No	May not exceed the PITIA	
departing residence)	No	N/A	Rental income may not be used to qualify	
1-4 Unit Investment Property – existing rental (one year of	Yes	Yes	No Restrictions	
receiving rental income)	No	res	No nestrictions	

- » Note: Rental income reported on IRS Form 8825 of federal business tax returns is reported as selfemployment income.
- REMN must establish a history of property management experience by obtaining one of the following:
 - The borrower's most recent signed federal income tax return, including Schedules 1 and E.
 Schedule E should reflect rental income received for any property and Fair Rental Days of 365;
 - If the property has been owned for at least one year, but there are less than 365 Fair Rental Days on Schedule E

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- a current signed lease agreement may be used to supplement the federal income tax return; or
- two years of the most recent federal income tax returns reflecting rental income received may be obtained to document that the property was in service for the full year (for example: a short-term rental income for more than one year, but the fair rental days are less than 365 in each year).
- » A current signed lease may be used to supplement a federal income tax return if the property was out of service for any time period in the prior year. Schedule E must support this by reflecting a reduced number of days in use and related repair costs.

Method for Calculating the Income

» The method for calculating rental income (or loss) for qualifying purposes is dependent upon the documentation that is being used (that is, Schedule E or a current fully executed lease agreement). The following table provide examples of different methods.

If the supporting document is	And the property was in service	REMN must
federal tax returns, Schedule E	for a full or partial year	average the annual rental income or loss over 12 months.
a current fully executed lease agreement supporting monthly rental amount, and federal tax returns, including Schedule E	less than the full year, and the borrower qualifies for a documented exception to use a lease agreement to support monthly rental income	average the rental income (or loss) over the number of months the borrower used the property as a rental unit.

- » When Schedule E is used to calculate qualifying rental income, REMN must add back any listed
- » depreciation, interest, homeowners' association dues, taxes, or insurance expenses to the borrower's cash flow.
- » Non-recurring property expenses may be added back, if documented accordingly.

Lease Agreements, Form 1007, or Form 1025

- » When current lease agreements or market rents reported on Form 1007 or Form 1025 are used, REMN must calculate the rental income by multiplying the gross monthly rent(s) by 75%. (This is referred to as "Monthly Market Rent" on the Form 1007.) The remaining 25% of the gross rent will be absorbed by vacancy losses and ongoing maintenance expenses.
- » When using a lease agreement, the lease agreement amount must be supported by
 - Form 1007 or Form 1025, as applicable, or
 - evidence the terms of the lease have gone into effect. Evidence must include a minimum of:
 - two months consecutive bank statements or electronic transfers of rental payments for existing lease agreements, or
 - copies of the security deposit and first full month's rent check with proof of deposit for newly executed agreements

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INCOME & EMPLOYMENT The treatment and amount of monthly qualifying rental income (described above in Calculating Treatment of the Income (or Loss) Monthly Qualifying Rental Income (or Loss)) used in the calculation of the borrower's total debt- toincome ratio - varies depending on whether the borrower occupies the rental property as his/ her principal residence. If the net rental income (or loss) relates to the borrower's principal residence: The monthly net rental income (as defined above) must be added to the borrower's total income. (This income is not netted against the PITIA of the property). The full amount of the mortgage payment (PITIA) must be included in the borrower's total monthly obligations when calculating the debt-to-income ratio. If the net rental income (or loss) relates to a property other than the borrower's primary residence: - If the monthly qualifying rental income (as defined above) minus the full PITIA is positive, it must be added to the borrower's total monthly income (subject to the limits in Calculating Monthly Qualifying Rental Income (or Loss)). If the monthly qualifying rental income minus PITIA is negative, the monthly net rental loss must be added to the borrower's total monthly obligations. The full PITIA for the rental property is factored into the amount of the net rental income (or loss); therefore, it should not be counted as a monthly obligation. The full monthly payment for the borrower's principal residence (full PITIA or monthly rent) must be counted as a monthly obligation. NOTE: When a borrower owns multiple rental properties, the rental income for all non-subject properties is first calculated for each property, then aggregated. The aggregate total of the income (or loss) is then added to the borrower's total monthly income or included in their monthly obligations, as applicable. Offsetting If gross rents and related expenses are reported through a partnership or S corporation, then any rental Monthly income (or loss) must be evaluated as self-employment income regardless of the borrower's percentage **Obligations for** of ownership interest or whether the borrower is personally obligated on the mortgage debt. However, **Rental Property** if the related property is reported on the most recent federal business tax return and it's clear the Reported through business is responsible for the payment, the full PITIA can be excluded from the DTI calculation. a Partnership or S When rental property is reported through a partnership or an S corporation, but the borrower is Corporation personally obligated on the mortgage, the property must be included in the count of financed properties and is subject to the requirements for multiple financed properties as indicated in Multiple Properties Financed. **Reporting of Gross** Eligible rents on the subject property (gross monthly rent) must be reported to Fannie Mae in the loan **Monthly Rent** delivery data for all two- to four-unit principal residence properties and investment properties, regardless of whether the borrower is using rental income to qualify for the loan. If the borrower is using rental income from the subject property to qualify for the loan, all of the applicable requirements above must be followed to document and calculate the income. If the borrower is not using any rental income from the subject property to qualify, gross monthly rent must be documented only for REMN reporting purposes. The borrower may provide one of the following sources (listed in order of preference): The appraisal report for a 1 unit or 2-4-unit investment property or Single-Family Comparable Rent Schedule (Form 1007), provided neither the appraisal nor Form 1007 are dated > 12 months prior to the Note date. If the property is not currently rented, REMN may use the opinion of market rents provided by the appraiser; or If an appraisal or Form 1007 is not required for the transaction, REMN may rely upon either a signed lease from the borrower or may obtain a statement from the borrower of the gross rent being charged for the property. The monthly rental amounts must be stated separately monthly for each unit in a 2-4-unit property. The disclosure from the borrower must be in the form of one of the following: A written statement from the borrower; or An addition to the URLA (Form 1003). REMN must retain in the loan file the documentation that was relied upon to determine the amount of

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eligible rent reported.

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Parties in	» Properties that currently have a tenant- regardless of whether or not income is used to qualify,		
Possession	 1 Unit (including condo, PUD) investment occupancy 		
	 2 - 4 Family - all occupancies 		
	» The file must contain <u>one</u> of the following documents prior to closing.		
	 Verification from the appraiser that all units are currently vacant (can be part of appraisal) 		
	 Verification from the title company that they will not have a "tenants in possession" exception to 		
	the title policy. Specific verification from Title Company is required. The fact that this is "silent" on the title policy will not satisfy this condition.		
	- Rights of lawful parties in possession, as long as such rights do not include the right of first refusal		
	to purchase the property. (No rights of parties in possession, including the term of a tenant's lease, may have a duration of more than two years.)		
	» The lease documentation, if currently rented, that specifically either;		
	 Indicates that the lease is subordinate to any mortgage; OR 		
	 Ensure that any tenant's rights to purchase the property and any other rights that could adversely 		
	affect FNMA's mortgagee interest have been waived formally by the tenant or tenants.		

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Temporary Leave Income

- » Temporary leave from work is generally short in duration and for reasons of maternity or parental leave, short-term medical disability or other temporary leave types that are acceptable by law or the borrower's employer. Borrowers on temporary leave may or may not be paid during their absence from work.
 - Note: Mandatory leave initiated by an employer, such as furlough or layoffs, is not considered temporary leave regardless of an expected return to work date.
- » If REMN is made aware that a borrower will be on temporary leave at the time of the loan closing and the borrower's income is needed to qualify for the loan, REMN must determine allowable income and confirm employment as described below.
 - The borrower's employment and income history must meet standard eligibility requirements.
 - Borrower must provide written confirmation of his/her intent to return to work and the agreed upon date of return as evidenced by documentation provided by the employer.
 - REMN cannot receive evidence or information from the borrower's employer indicating that the borrower does not have the right to return to work after the leave period.
 - REMN must obtain a verbal VOE. If the employer confirms that the borrower is currently on temporary leave, REMN must consider the borrower employed.
- » REMN must verify the borrower's income in accordance with standard legibility requirements:
 - The amount and duration of the borrower's "temporary leave income" which may require multiple documents or sources depending on the type and duration of the leave period; and,
 - The amount of the "regular employment income" the borrower received prior to the temporary leave. Regular employment income includes, but is not limited to, the income the borrower receives from employment on a regular basis that is eligible for qualifying purposes (i.e. base pay, commissions and bonus).

Calculating Qualifying Income

- » Requirements for Calculating Income Used to Qualify
 - If the borrower will return to work as of the first mortgage payment date, REMN can consider the borrower's regular employment income in qualifying.
 - If the borrower will **not** return to work as of the first mortgage payment date, REMN must use the lesser of the borrower's temporary income (if any) or regular employment income.
 - If the borrower's temporary leave income is less than his/her regular employment income, REMN may supplement the temporary leave income with available liquid financial reserves (B3-4.1-01)

Supplement income amount = available liquid reserves divided by the number of months of supplemental income

- Available liquid reserves: subtract any funds needed to complete the transaction (down payment, closing costs, other required debt payoff, escrows and minimum reserve requirements) from the total verified liquid asset amount.
- Number of months of supplemental income: the number of months from the first mortgage payment date to the date the borrower will begin receiving his/her regular employment income, rounded to the next whole number.
- » After determining the supplement income, REMN must calculate the qualifying income

Total qualifying income = supplement income plus the temporary leave income

The total qualifying income results may not exceed the borrower's regular employment income. Regular Income amount: \$6,000.00 per month

Temporary Leave Income: \$2,000.00 per month

Total verified liquid assets: \$30,000.00

Funds needed to complete the transaction: \$18,000.00

Available liquid reserves: \$12,000.00

First payment date: July 1

Date borrower will begin receiving regular employment income: November 1

Supplemental income: \$12,000.00/4 = \$3,000.00

Total qualifying income: \$3,000.00 + \$2,000.00 = \$5,000.00

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INCOME & EMPLOYMENT Data Entry Requirements DU requirements for data entry with Temporary Leave Income Entry of the income into DU depends on what was derived as the "lesser of" amount. - When the borrower's temporary leave income is used, enter the amount in Other Income as "Temporary Leave" - When the borrower's regular employment income is used, enter the income amount using the applicable income type. - If the borrower's temporary leave income is less than the regular income and REMN is able to supplement the temporary income with available liquid reserves, the following must be applied: REMN must enter the combined temporary leave income & supplemental income from reserves under Other Income as "Temporary Leave". The combination of these two incomes may not exceed the borrower's regular monthly employment income. As DU is not able to determine supplemental income is being used, nor is it able to determine the amount of reserves used to supplement the temporary income, REMN must manually reduce the amount of the borrower's total liquid assets by the amount of reserves used to supplement the temporary income (in order to avoid the reserves being used for both income and assets). **Alimony & Child** Document that the alimony or child support will continue for at least 3 years after the date of the application date with REMN, as verified by 1 of the following; **Support Documentation** A copy of a divorce decree or separation agreement (if the divorce is not final) that indicates payment of alimony or child support and states the amount of the award and the period of time over which it will be received. If a borrower who is separated does not have a separation agreement that specifies alimony or child support payments, REMN will not consider any proposed or voluntary payments as income. Any other type of legal agreement or court order describing the payment terms for the alimony or child support. Documentation that verified any applicable state law that mandates alimony, child support or separate maintenance payments, which must specify the conditions under which the payments must be made. Check for limitations on the continuance of payments, such as the age of the children for whom the support is being paid or the duration over which the alimony is required to be paid. Document the borrower's regular receipt of the full payment, as verified by Deposit slips, Court records, - Copies of signed federal income tax returns that were filed with the IRS, or Copies of the borrower's bank statements showing the regular deposit of these funds. A minimum of 6 months of documented receipt of income will be required for verification. Schedule K-1 For borrowers who have less than 25% ownership of a partnership, S corporation, or limited liability Income (Selfcompany (LLC), ordinary income, net rental real estate income, and other net rental income reported Employment < on IRS Form 1065 or IRS Form 1120S, Schedule K-1 may be used in qualifying the borrower provided: 25%) The borrower can document ownership share (may use Schedule K-1) The borrower can document access to the income, and The business has adequate liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings. The following table provided verification of income requirements for Schedule K-1 borrowers with < 25% ownership of a partnership, an S Corporation or an LLC. Verification of Schedule K-1 Income The borrower must provide the most recent two years of Signed individual federal income tax returns, and IRS Schedule K-1 When only rental income is reported on Schedule K-1, REMN must obtain one-year of signed individual federal income tax returns, and IRS Schedule K-1. Income reported on Schedule K-1 can only be considered if REMN obtains documentation verifying that The income was actually distributed to the borrower and is consistent with the level of business income being used to qualify, or The business has adequate liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings. REMN may use

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discretion in the method used to confirm the business has adequate liquidity.

REMN is not required to analyze the viability of the business in accordance with self-employment requirements and may only use the borrower's proportionate share of earning reflected on Schedule K-1 when calculating the borrower's income

If the borrower has a two-year history of receiving "guaranteed payments to the partner" from a partnership or an LLC, these payments can be added to the borrower's cash flow.

• **Note**: An exception to the two-year requirement of receiving "guaranteed payments to the partner" is if a borrower has recently acquired nominal ownership in a professional services partnership (for example, a medical practice or a law firm) after having an established employment history with the partnership. In this situation, REMN may rely on the borrower's guaranteed compensation. This must be evidenced by the borrower's partnership agreement and further supported by evidence of current year-to-date income.

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Automobile	» For an automobile allowance to be considered as acceptable stable income, the borrower must have
Allowance	received payments for at least 2 years. REMN must add the full amount of the allowance to the
	borrower's monthly income, and the full amount of the lease or financing expenditure to the
	borrower's monthly debt obligations.
Boarder Income	» Income from boarders in the borrower's principal residence or second home is not considered
	acceptable income with the exception of the following;
	 When a borrower with disabilities receives rental income from a live-in personal assistance,
	whether or not that individual is a relative of the borrower, the rental payments can be considered
	as acceptable stable income in an amount up to 30% of the total gross income that is used to qualify
	the borrower. Personal assistants typically are paid by Medicaid Waiver funds and include room
	and board, from which the rental payments made to the borrower.
	» Verification of Income from Boarders
	 Obtain documentation of the boarder's history of shared residency (such as a copy of a driver's
	license, bills, bank statements, or W-2 Forms) that shows the boarder's address as being the same
	as the borrower's address.
	Obtain documentation of the boarder's rental payments for the most recent 12 months.
Capital Gains	» Income received from capital gains is generally a one-time transaction; therefore, it should not be
Income	considered as part of the borrower's stable monthly income. However, if the borrower needs to rely
	on income from capital gains to qualify, the income must be verified in accordance with the following
	requirements.
	» Document a two-year history of capital gains income by obtaining copies of the borrower's signed
	federal income tax returns for the most recent 2 years, including IRS Form 1040, Schedule D. » Develop an average income from the last 2 years (according to Variable Income Guidelines) and use the
	averaged amount as part of the borrower's qualifying income as long as the borrower provides current
	evidence that he/she owns additional property or assets that can be sold if extra income is needed to
	make future mortgage payments.
	Note : Capital losses identified on the IRS Form 1040, Schedule D, do not have to be considered when
	calculating income or liabilities, even if the losses are recurring.
	» Due to the nature of this income, current receipt of income
	» is not required to comply with Age of Credit Documents policy. However, documentation of the asset
	ownership must be in compliance with the Age of Credit Documents policy & Tax Return Requirements.
Employment	If the borrower is scheduled to begin employment after the loan closes, REMN may deliver the loan in
Offers or	accordance with one of the options outlined below:
Contracts	Option 1 – Loan Delivered After Borrower Starts Employment
	» REMN must obtain an executed copy of the borrower's offer or contract for future employment and
	anticipated income.
	» Note : The borrower cannot be employed by a family member or by an interested party to the
	transaction.
	» Prior to delivering the loan, REMN must obtain a paystub from the borrower that includes sufficient
	information to support the income used to qualify the borrower based on the offer or contract. The
	paystub must be retained in the mortgage loan file.
	Option 2 – Loan Delivered Prior to Borrower Starting Employment
	» This option is limited to loans that meet the following criteria:
	 Purchase transaction
	 Principal residence
	- 1-unit property
	— The borrower is not employed by a family member or by an interested party to the transaction, .
	and
	 The borrower is qualified using only fixed based income.

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- » REMN must obtain and review the borrower's offer or contract for future employment. The employment offer, or contract must
 - Clearly identify the employer and the borrower, be signed by the employer, and be accepted & signed by the borrower;
 - Clearly identify the terms of employment, including position, type and rate of pay, and start date;
 and
 - Be non-contingent. NOTE: If conditions of employment exist, REMN must confirm prior to closing that all conditions of employment are satisfied either by verbal verification or written documentation. This confirmation must be noted in the mortgage loan file.
 - Also note that for a union member who works in an occupation that results in a series of short-term job assignments (such as a skilled construction worker, longshoreman, or stagehand), the union may provide the executed employment offeror contract for future employment. (Continued on next page)

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Employment Option 2 – Loan Delivered Prior to Borrower Starting Employment (cont'd) Offers or The borrower's start date must be no earlier than thirty (30) days prior to the Note Date or no later than **Contracts** 90 days after the Note Date. Prior to delivery, REMN must obtain the following documentation depending (cont'd) on the borrower's employment start date: If the Borrower's start date is.... **Documentation Required** Employment offer or contract, and The Note Date or no more than 30 days prior to Verbal verification of employment that the Note Date confirms active employment status. **Employment Offer or contract** No more than 90 days after the Note Date REMN must document, in addition to the amount of reserves required by DU or for the transaction, one of the following: Financial reserves sufficient to cover PITIA for the subject property for six (6) months; OR Financial reserves or current income sufficient to cover the monthly liabilities included in the DTI ratio, including the PITIA for the subject property, for the number of months between the note date and the employment start date, plus one. For calculation purposes, consider any portion of a month as s full month. Financial resources may include: Financial reserves, and Current income. Current income refers to income that is currently being received by the borrower/co-borrower, may or may not be used for qualifying, and may or may not be used for qualifying, and may or may not continue after the borrower starts employment under the offer or contract. Current income may be used in lieu of or in addition to financial reserves. For this purpose, REMN may use the amount of income the borrower is expected to receive between the note date & the employment start date. If the current income is not being used for qualifying purposes, it can be documented by REMN using income documentation, such as a paystub, and no verification of employment is required. For calculation purposes, consider any portion of a month as a full month. REMN must deliver the loan with Special Feature Code 707. Assets used for calculation of monthly income stream must be owned individually by the borrower, or **Employment-Related Assets as** the co-owner of the assets must be a co-borrower of the mortgage loan. Qualifying Documentation of asset ownership must be in compliance with the Age of Credit Documents Policy and **Income Tax Return Documentation** Assets must be liquid and available to the borrower must be sourced as one of the following: A non-self-employed severance package or non-self-employed lump sum retirement package (a lump sum distribution) must be document with the distribution letter from the employer (form 1099-R) and deposited to a verified asset account. For 401(k) or IRA, SEP, Keogh retirement accounts; the borrower must have unrestricted access without penalty to the accounts and can only use the accounts if distribution is not already set up or the distribution amount is not enough to qualify. The account must be document with the most recent monthly, quarterly or annual statement. If a penalty would apply to a distribution of funds from the account made at the time of calculation, then the amount of such penalty applicable to a complete distribution from the account (after costs for the transaction) must be subtracted to determine the income stream from these assets. A borrower must only be considered to have unrestricted access to a 401(k) or IRA, SEP, Keogh retirement account if the borrower has, as of the time of calculation, the unqualified and unlimited right to request a distribution of all funds in the account (regardless of any possible tax withholding or applicable penalty applied to such distribution). "Net documented assets" are equal to the sum of eligible assets minus: a) The amount of the penalty that would apply if the account was completely distributed at the time of calculation; and b) The amount of funds used for down payment, closing costs, and required reserves. **Calculation of Net Documented Assets** Checking and savings accounts (for illustration purposes only - not an eligible

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employment-related asset)

IRA (made up of stocks and mutual funds)

\$40,000

\$500,000

Minus 10% of $$500,000 ($500,000 x .10\%)$ (Assumes a 10% Penalty applies for early distribution)	\$50,000
Total eligible documented assets	\$490,000
Funds required for closing (down payment, closing costs, reserves)	\$100,000
Net Documented Assets	\$390,000
Monthly income calculation (\$390,000/360 months)	\$1,083.33/month
Income Calculation/Payout Stream below	\$1,065.55/IIIUIIIII

- » Ineligible assets are non-employment-related assets (i.e. stock options, non-vested restricted stock, lawsuit, lottery winnings, sale of real estate, inheritance and divorce proceeds).
- » Checking and savings accounts are generally not eligible as employment-related assets; unless the source of the balance in checking or savings accounts was from an eligible employment-related asset (i.e. severance package or lump sum retirement distribution). Virtual Currency is not an eligible asset.
- » If eligible employment-related assets have been liquidated and placed into a trust within 12 months of the loan's application date, income must be calculated in accordance with the requirements in this table.
- » All of the following loan parameters must be met in order for employment-related assets to be used as qualifying income:

Parameter	FNMA Requirement	
Maximum LTV/CLTV/HCLTV	70%	
Maximum LTV/CLTV/HCLTV	80% if the owner of the asset(s) being used to qualify is at least 62	
	years old at the time of closing. If the asset(s) is jointly owned, all	
	owners must be borrowers on the loan and the borrower whose	
	employment-related asset is being used as income must be at least	
	62 years old at the time of closing	
Minimum Credit Score	DU: 620	
	Standard: Higher of 620 or minimum credit score per the Eligibility	
	Matrix	
Loan Purpose	Purchase and Limited Cash-Out Refinance only	
Occupancy	Principal residence and second home only	
Number of units	As permitted by occupancy type	
Income Calculation/Payout Stream	Divide "Net Documented Assets" by amortization term of the	
	mortgage loan (in months)	

Note: If the mortgage loan does not meet the above parameters, employment-related assets may still be eligible under other standard income guidelines such as Interest & Dividend Income or Retirement, Government Annuity and Pension Income.

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Foreign Income	 Foreign income is income that is earned by a borrower who is employed by a foreign corporation or a foreign government and is paid in foreign currency. Borrowers may use foreign income to qualify if the following conditions are met: Copies of his/her signed federal income tax returns for the most recent two (2) year period that include the foreign income. REMN must satisfy the standard documentation requirements based on the source and type of income. Note: All income must be translated to U.S. dollars. If the borrower is not a U.S. Citizen refer to Non-U.S. Citizen Borrower Eligibility Requirements. All documents of a foreign original must be completed in English, or the originator must provide a translation, attached to each document, and ensure the translation is complete and accurate.
Foster Care Income	 Income received from a state or county sponsored organization for providing temporary care for one (1) or more children may be acceptable stable income if the following requirements are met: Verify the foster-care income with letters of verification from the organizations providing the income. Document that the borrower has a two (2) year history of providing foster-care services. If the borrower has not been receiving this type of income for two (2) full years, the income may still be counted as stable income if:
Housing or Parsonage Income	 May be considered qualifying income if there is documentation that the income has been received for the most recent twelve (12) months and the allowance is likely to continue for the next three (3) years. The housing allowance may be added to income but may not be used to offset the monthly housing payment. Note: This requirement does not apply to military quarters' allowance.
Interest & Dividends Income	 Verify the borrower's ownership of the assets on which the interest or dividend income was earned. Documentation of asset ownership must be in compliance with Age of Credit Documents and Tax Return Requirements. Document a two (2) year history of income, as verified by: Copies of the borrower's signed federal income tax returns; or, Copies of account statements. Develop an average of the income received for the most recent two (2) years. Refer to Variable Income. Subtract any assets used for down payment or closing costs from the borrower's total assets before calculating expected future interest or dividend income.
Notes Receivable Income	 Verify that the income can be expected to continue for a minimum of three (3) years from the date of the mortgage application. Obtain a copy of the note to establish the amount and length of payment. Document regular receipt of income for the most recent twelve (12) months. Payments on a note executed within the past twelve (12) months, regardless of the duration, may NOT be used as stable income.
Public Assistance Income	 Document the borrower's receipt of public assistance income with letters or exhibits from the paying agency that state the amount, frequency, and duration of the benefit payments. Verify that the income can be expected to continue for a minimum of three years from the date of the mortgage application.
Section 8 Income	 Determine the monthly payment amount from the public agency that issues the voucher. Because this income is nontaxable, REMN can develop an adjusted gross income for the borrower. There is no requirement for the Section 8 voucher payments to have been received for any period of time prior to the date of the mortgage application or for the payments to continue for any period of time from the date of the mortgage application.
	from the date of the mortgage application.

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Disability Income Long-Term

- » Obtain a copy of the borrower's disability policy or benefits statement from the benefits payer (insurance company, employer or other qualified disinterested party) to determine;
 - The borrower's current eligibility for the disability benefits,
 - The amount and frequency of the disability payments, and
 - If there is a contractually established termination or modification date.
- » Generally long-term disability will not have a defined expiration date and must be expected to continue. The requirement for re-evaluation of benefits is not considered a defined expiration date. If a borrower is currently receiving short-term disability payments that will decrease to a lesser amount within the next 3 years because they are being converted to long-term benefits, the amount of long-term benefits must be used as income to qualify the borrower.
- » For additional information on short-term benefits; Temporary Leave Income.

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Restricted Stock Units and Restricted Stock Employment Income

- Restricted stock units and restricted stock (referred to collectively as "restricted stock") are granted by an employer to its employees as a form of compensation based on either performance or time. They can be awarded as either stock or an equivalent cash value of the number of shares awarded and usually vest over a certain number of years. After they vest, the employee may sell the shares at the current price or hold the stock for future sale.
- » To be used as qualifying income, the restricted stock must have vested and been distributed to the borrower without restrictions.

For Performance-Based Awards

- » A minimum history of 24 months restricted stock income from the current employer is recommended. Restricted stock income received for 12 to 24 months from the current employer may be considered as acceptable income if there are positive factors to offset the shorter income history such as
 - future vesting equal to or greater than previous vesting and that will continue for at least 24 months; or
 - restricted stock income received for the previous 5 years from any employer.

For Time-Based awards

- » A minimum history of 24 months restricted stock income from the current employer is recommended. Restricted stock income received for 12 to 24 months from the current employer may be considered as acceptable income if there are positive factors to offset the shorter income history such as
 - future vesting equal to or greater than previous vesting and that will continue for at least 24 months; or
 - restricted stock income received for the previous 5 years from any employer.

Note: Sign-on bonuses received in the form of restricted stock that vest over any length of time cannot be considered by REMN as qualifying income.

- » REMN must document all of the following:
 - evidence stock is publicly traded;
 - current vesting schedule reflecting past and future vesting;
 - brokerage or bank statement showing receipt of previous year(s) distribution of restricted stock and, at a minimum, the number of vested shares or cash equivalent;
 - a completed Request for Verification of Employment (Form 1005) that shows restricted stock distributions, or the borrowers recent paystub showing receipt of restricted stock income; and
 - the borrower's IRS W-2 forms covering the most recent two-year period.
- » The calculation method for restricted stock income will vary depending on whether payment is made is shares or cash.
 - For income paid in shares: (200-Day Moving Average of share price x total number of distributed vested shares (pre-tax) in most recent 24 months) / 24 months
 - For income paid in cash: Total cash distributed (pre-tax) equal to the total value of vested shares in the most recent 24 months / 24 months
- » **Note:** When the borrower has a history of income ranging from 12-24 months, REMN must use the actual number of months the borrower has received the income rather than 24 months.

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Retirement, Government Annuity and Pension Income

- Document regular and continued receipt of the income, as verified by:
 - Letters from the organizations providing the income,
 - Copies of retirement awards letters,
 - Copies of signed federal income tax returns,
 - Copies of financial or bank account statements,
 - IRS W2 or 1099 Forms; or,
 - Proof of current receipt.
- » If income from a government annuity or pension account will begin on or before the first payment date, document the income with a benefit statement from the organization providing the income. The statement will specify the income type, amount and frequency of the payment, and include confirmation of the initial start date.
- » If retirement income is paid in the form of a distribution from a 401k, IRA or Keogh Retirement account, determine whether the income is expected to continue for at least three (3) years after the date of the mortgage application. Eligible retirement account balances (from a 401(k), IRA, or Keogh) may be combined for the purpose of determining whether the three-year continuance requirement is met.
 - The borrower must have unrestricted access without penalty to the accounts.

Social Security Income

- Social Security income for retirement or long-term disability that the borrower is drawing from his/her own account/work record will not have a defined expiration date and must be expected to continue.
- » Social Security income based on another person's account/work record or from the borrower's own work record, but for the benefit of another (such as a dependent) may also be used in qualifying, provided REMN documents a 3-year continuance.
- Document regular receipt of payments, as verified by the following, depending on the type of benefit and the relationship of the beneficiary (self or other) as shown below.

Type of Social Security Benefit	Borrower is drawing Social Security Benefits from own account/work record	Borrower is drawing Social Security Benefits from another person's account/work record ¹
Retirement	» Social Security	
Disability	Administrator's (SSA) Award Letter SSA-1099 Most recent signed federal income tax returns (or tax transcripts) - OR - Proof of current receipt	SSA Award Letter, Proof of current receipt – AND – Three (3) year continuance (e.g. verification of beneficiary's age)
Survivor Benefit	N/A	
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	SSA Award Letter – AND – Proof of current receipt	N/A

¹ Examples of how a borrower might draw Social Security benefits from another person's account/work record and use the income for qualifying:

- » A borrower may be eligible for benefits from spouse, ex-spouse or dependent parents (the benefit is paid to the borrower on behalf of the spouse, etc.); or,
- » A borrower may use Social Security income received by a depended (a minor or disabled dependent).

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Royalty Payment Income	 Obtain copies of; Royalty contract, agreement or statement confirming amount, frequency and duration of the income; and,
	 Borrowers' most recent signed federal income tax returns, including the related IRS Form 1040 Schedule E.
	» Confirm that the borrower has received royalty payments for at least twelve (12) months and that the payments will continue for a minimum of three (3) years after the date of the mortgage application.
Tweet Income	 » Refer to <u>Variable Income</u> for additional information. Verification of Trust Income
Trust Income	
	 Obtain one of more of the following trust verification documents to confirm the amount, frequency, type of income being received, and the date the trust was created: a copy of the trust agreement,
	- the trustee's statement,
	 the trust's federal income tax returns, or
	– a letter from an accountant or attorney who reviewed the trust documents, when the above
	documents are not available or when the borrower is the trustee.
	 Note: A borrower who is also a trustee may not supply the trustee's statement.
	» Confirm the trust was established for 12 months or longer, unless all of the following requirements are met:
	 the trust verification documentation reflects fixed payments,
	 the borrower is not the grantor, and
	 at least one payment is received prior to closing.
	 Note: Trusts created in the previous 12 months using a borrower's eligible employment-related assets, as defined in Employment-Related Assets as Qualifying Income, may still be used as stable income but must meet the income calculation and all other requirements in Employment-Related Assets as Qualifying Income.
	» Confirm continuance of income per <u>Continuity of Income</u> . This confirmation must be based on the type of income received through the trust. For example, if the income from the trust is derived from rental income, then three-year continuance is not required. However, if the income is a fixed payment derived from a depleting asset, then three-year continuance must be determined.
	» If any assets from the trust are being used for down payment, closing costs, or reserves, those assets
	must be subtracted from the total amount before determining if the trust income meets the Continuity of Income requirements.
	Requirements for Trust with Fixed Payments
	» Use the fixed payment amount from the trust agreement as the borrower's qualifying income, converting it to a monthly amount, as applicable.
	» Document current receipt of trust income with one month's bank statement or other equivalent documentation.
	Requirements for Trust with Variable Payments
	» Calculate the qualifying income amount per <u>Variable Income</u> section.
	» Document the following:
	 a minimum 24-month history of trust income by obtaining copies of the borrower's signed federal tax income tax returns for the most recent two years or copies of the trust's federal income tax returns for the most recent two years, and
	 current receipt of trust income with one month's bank statement or other equivalent
	documentation. - Note: Income received for 12 to 24 months may be considered as acceptable income when other
	positive factors are present that reasonably offset a shorter income history.

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Unemployment Benefits – Seasonal Workers Only

- Unemployment compensation cannot be used to qualify the borrower unless it is clearly associated with **seasonal employment** that is reported on the borrower's signed federal income tax returns.
 - Seasonal employment is considered predictable, so unemployment compensation related to this employment, if properly verified and documented, is considered predictable as well.
 - Union jobs are NOT considered seasonal, so unemployment compensation related to these is not considered predictable and not eligible for qualification.
- » Verify that the seasonal income is likely to continue.
- » Document that the borrower has received the payments consistently for at least two (2) years by obtaining copies of signed federal income tax returns.
- » See Seasonal Income for additional information about verification of seasonal income.

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Self-Employed Borrowers

Self-Employed Borrower Overview

When determining the appropriate qualifying income for a self-employed borrower, it is important to note that business income (specifically from a partnership or S corporation) reported on an individual IRS Form 1040 may not necessarily represent income that has actually been distributed to the borrower. The fundamental exercise, when conducting self-employment income cash-flow analysis, is to determine the amount of income that can be relied on by the borrower in qualifying for their personal mortgage obligation. When underwriting these borrowers, it is important to review business income distributions that have been made or could be made to these borrowers while maintaining the viability of the underlying business. This analysis includes assessing the stability of business income and the ability of the business to continue to generate sufficient income to enable these borrowers to meet their financial obligations.

Factors to Consider For a Self-Employment Borrower

- » Any individual who has 25% or greater ownership interest in a business is considered to be selfemployed. The following factors must be analyzed before approving a mortgage for a self-employed borrower:
 - The stability of the borrower's income
 - The location and nature of the borrower's business
 - The demand for the product or service offered by the business
 - The financial strength of the business
 - The ability of the business to continue generating sufficient income to enable the borrower to make the payments on the requested mortgage, and

Length of Self-Employment

- FNMA generally requires a 2-year history of the borrower's earnings as a means of demonstrating the likelihood that the income will continue to be received.
- However, the income of a person who has less than a two-year history of self-employment may be considered, as long as the borrower's most recent signed personal and business federal income tax returns reflect a full year (12 months) of self-employment income from the current business. The loan file must also contain documentation to support the history of receipt of prior income at the same (or greater) level and
 - in a field that provides the same products or services as the current business, or
 - in an occupation in which they had similar responsibilities to those undertaken in connection with the current business.
- In such cases, REMN must give careful consideration to the nature of the borrower's level of experience, and the amount of debt the business has acquired.

Verification of Income

- REMN will verify a self-employed borrower's income by obtaining from the borrower copies of his/her signed federal income tax returns (both individual and in some cases, business returns) that were filed with the IRS for the past two (2) years with all applicable schedules attached.
- Alternatively, REMN may use IRS-issued transcripts of the borrower's individual and business federal income tax returns that were filed with the IRS for the most recent two years—as long as the information provided is complete and legible and the transcripts include the information from all of the applicable schedules.
- REMN may provide one year of personal and business tax returns if the following requirements are met:
 - the business from which the borrower is using self-employed income must have been in existence for five years as reflected on the Form 1003, and the borrower has had an ownership share of 25% or more for the past five years consecutively, and
 - for partnerships, S corporations and corporations, the federal income tax return for the business must support the information reflected on the Form 1003. If the business was in existence prior to the borrower having 25% or ownership, then the leader must demonstrate the borrower has had 25% or more ownership for at least five years consecutively.
 - for sole proprietorships, the individual federal tax return and any other documentation or information received must support the information reflected on the Form 1003 for the number of years the business has been in existence.

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- all businesses are assessed separately for the five-years in existence benchmark and the number of years of personal and federal income tax returns required could differ when there are multiple self employment income sources.
- REMN must complete Fannie Mae's Cash Flow Analysis (Form 1084) or any other type of cash flow analysis form that applies the same principles. A copy of the written analysis must be included in the permanent loan file.
- NOTE: Alternative documentation to establish the number of years the borrower has ownership of 25% or more in a business may be obtained as long as the documentation clearly identifies the specific business listed on the Form 1003 and is supported by the most recent year tax returns.
 Documentation must be obtained through a reliable source, such as an IRS-Issued Employer Identification Number Confirmation letter, business license, articles of incorporation, or partnership agreements.
- When two years of signed individual tax returns are provided, REMN may waive the requirement for business tax returns if:
 - the borrower is using personal funds to pay down payment and closing costs and satisfy applicable reserve requirements,
 - the borrower has been self-employed in the same business for at least five years (requirements noted above), and
 - the borrower's individual tax returns show an increase in self-employment income over the past two years from the respective business.

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Analysis of	» REMN must prepare a written evaluation of its analysis of a self-employed borrower's personal income,
Borrower's	including the business income or loss, reported on the borrower's individual tax returns. The purpose of
Personal Income	this written analysis is to determine the amount of stable and continuous income that will be available
	to the borrower. This is not required when a borrower is qualified using only salaried income (not derived
	from self-employment) and self-employment is a secondary/separate source of income (or loss).
	» FNMA Form 1084 or any other type of cash flow analysis that applies the same principles may be used.
	» Copy of the written analysis must be retained in the individual mortgage file.
Analysis of	» When a borrower is relying upon self-employed income to qualify for a mortgage and the requirements
Borrower's	that permit REMN to waive the business tax returns are not met, REMN must prepare a written
Business Income	evaluation of its analysis of the borrower's business income. REMN must evaluate the borrower's
	business through its knowledge of other businesses in the same industry to confirm the stability of the
	borrower's business income and estimate the potential for long-term earnings.
	» The purpose of this analysis is to
	 Consider the recurring nature of the business income, including identification of pass-through
	income that may require additional evaluation,
	 Measure year-to-year trends for gross income, expenses and taxable income for the business,
	Determine (on a yearly or interim basis) the percentage of gross income attributed to expenses and
	taxable income; and,
	 Determine a trend for the business based on the change in these percentages over time.
	» FNMA Comparative Income Analysis (Form 1088), or any other method of trend analysis that enables
	business viability to be determined, may be used, as long as other method fairly presents the viability of
	the business and results in a degree of accuracy that is comparable with to that of Form 1088.
	» A copy of the written analysis and conclusions must be retained in the individual mortgage file.
Use of Business	» When a borrower is using self-employment income to qualify for the loan and also intends to use assets
Assets	from their business as funds for the down payment, closing costs, and/or financial reserves, REMN must
	perform a business cash flow analysis to confirm that the withdrawal of funds for this transaction will not
	have a negative impact on the business. To assess the impact, REMN may require a level of
	documentation greater than what is required to evaluate the borrower's business income (for example,
	several months of recent business asset statements in order to see cash flow needs and trends over time,
	or a current balance sheet).
	» This may be due to the amount of time that has elapsed since the most recent tax return filing, or REMN'
	need for information to perform its analysis. See <u>Depository Accounts</u> for requirements when self-
	employment income is not being used to qualify, but business assets are being used for the down
	payment, closing costs, and/or financial reserves.
Income	» When co-borrower income that is derived from self-employment is not being used for qualifying
Verification for	purposes, REMN is not required to document or evaluate the co-borrower's self-employment income (or
Self-Employed Co-	loss).
Borrowers	» Any business debt on which the borrower is personally obligated must be included in the total monthly
	obligations when calculating the debt-to-income (DTI) ratio.

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Self-Employed Income or Loss Reported on IRS Form 1040, Schedule C

- Income (or Loss) from a Sole Proprietorship
 - The income (or loss) from a borrower's sole proprietorship is calculated on IRS Form 1040, Schedule
 C, then transferred to IRS Form 1040.
 - REMN may need to make certain adjustments to the net profit or loss shown on Schedule C to arrive
 at the borrower's cash flow. For example, Schedule C may include income that was not obtained
 from the profits of the borrower's business. If REMN determines that such income is not recurring,
 it should adjust the borrower's cash flow by deducting the nonrecurring income.
- » Recurring vs. Non-recurring Income and Expenses
 - REMN must determine whether the income is recurring or non-recurring.
 - Non-recurring income must be deducted in the cash-flow analysis, including any exclusion for meals and entertainment expenses reported by the borrower on Schedule C.
 - The following recurring items claimed by the borrower on Schedule C must be added back to the cash flow analysis:
 - Depreciation
 - Depletion
 - Business use of a Home
 - Amortization, and
 - Casualty losses.

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Self-Employed Income or Loss Reported on IRS Form 1065, 1120s or K-1

- The version of Schedule K-1 that is utilized to report a borrower's share of income (or loss) is based on how the business reports earnings for tax purposes;
 - Partnership Reported on IRS Form 1065, Schedule K-1,
 - S corporation Reported on IRS Form 1120S, Schedule K-1
 - LLC Reported on either IRS Form 1065 or IRS Form 1120S, Schedule K-1, depending on how the federal income tax returns are filed for the LLC.
- » The underwriter must use caution when including income that the borrower draws from the borrower's partnership or S Corporation as qualifying income. Ordinary income, net real estate income and other net rental income reported on Schedule K-1 may be included in the borrower's cash flow only provided the underwriter can confirm that the business has adequate liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings, as described below:
 - If the borrower has a two-year history of receiving "guaranteed payments to the partner" from a
 partnership or an LLC, then these payments can be added to the borrower's cash flow.
 - If the Schedule K-1 reflects a documented, stable history of receiving cash distributions of income from the business consistent with the level of business income being used to qualify, then no further documentation of access to the income or adequate business liquidity is required. But if the Schedule K-1 does not reflect a documented, stable history, then REMN must confirm adequate business liquidity, as discussed below.
- » If business tax returns are required, then REMN must consider the type of business structure and analyze the business returns, according to the requirements described in <u>Fannie Selling Guide B3-3.2-01</u>, <u>Underwriting Factors and Documentation for a Self-Employed Borrower</u>.
- » REMN may use discretion in selecting the method to confirm that the business has adequate liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings. When business tax returns are provided, for example, REMN may calculate a ratio using a generally accepted formula that measures business liquidity by deriving the proportion of current assets available to meet current liabilities.
- » It is important that the underwriter select a business liquidity formula based on how the business operates. For example:
 - The Quick Ratio (also known as the Acid Test Ratio) is appropriate for businesses that rely heavily
 on inventory to generate income. This test excludes inventory from current assets in calculating
 the proportion of current assets available to meet current liabilities.
 - Quick Ratio = (Current Assets Inventory) / Current Liabilities
 - The Current Ratio (also known as the Working Capital Ratio) may be more appropriate for businesses not relying on inventory to generate income.
 - Current Ratio = Current Assets / Current Liabilities
- » While a result of one or grater is generally sufficient to confirm adequate business liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings, REMN may support adequate liquidity using alternative methods with a documented rationale.

Documentation Requirements

The following table describes the documentation that the borrower must provide. The borrower must provide all of the below:

Documentation Requirements

- The most recent two (2) years of signed individual federal income tax returns IRS Form 1040; or
- The most recent one (1) year of signed individual federal income tax returns, if permitted by DU*.
- The most recent two (2) years of IRS Schedule K-1; or
- The most recent one (1) year of IRS Schedule K-1, if permitted by DU*.
- The most recent two (2) years of business federal income tax returns (IRS Form 1065 or IRS Form 1120S), unless the requirements to waive business tax returns have been met; or
- The most recent one (1) year of business federal income tax returns, if permitted by DU*.

*In cases where DU Approve/Eligible findings require one (1) year tax return, REMN must still verify that the tax return reflects a full 12 months of self-employed income (cannot be less)

- 2014 1040: Accountant/CPA would need to reflect business started on or before 12/31/2013.
- > 2015 1040: Accountant/CPA would need to reflect business started on or before 12/31/2014.

FNMA Cash Flow Analysis (Form 1084) or any other type of cash flow analysis that applies the same principles must be completed.

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Analyzing Returns for a Partnership or LLC

Evaluating the Business Income

- When the borrower has 25% or more ownership interest in the business and business tax returns are required, REMN must perform a business cash flow analysis and evaluate the overall financial position of the borrower's business to determine whether
 - Income is stable and consistent, and
 - Sales and earnings trends are positive.
- » If the business does not meet these standards, business income cannot be used to qualify the borrower. Borrower's Proportionate Share of Income or Loss
- » The borrower's proportionate share of income or loss is based on the borrower's partnership percentage of Ending Capital in the business as shown on IRS Form 1065, Schedule K-1.
- » REMN can only consider the borrower's proportionate share of business income or loss after making the adjustments to the business cash flow analysis discussed below.

Adjustments to Business Cash Flow

- » Items that can be added back to the business cash flow include depreciation, depletion, amortization, casualty losses, and other losses that are not consistent and recurring.
- » The following items should be subtracted from the business cash flow:
 - Meals and entertainment exclusion,
 - Other Reported income that is not consistent and recurring, and
 - The total amount of obligations on mortgages or notes that are payable in less than one (1) year.
- » These adjustments are not required for lines of credit or if there is evidence that these obligations roll over regularly and/or the business has sufficient liquid assets to cover them.

Income from Partnerships, LLC's, Estates and Trusts

- » Income from partnerships, LLC's, estates or trusts can only be considered if REMN obtains documentation verifying that:
 - The income was actually distributed to the borrower, or
 - The business had adequate liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings. If Schedule K-1 provides this confirmation, no further documentation of business liquidity is required.
- » REMN may use discretion in selecting the method to confirm that the business has adequate liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings. When business tax returns are provided, for example, REMN may calculate a ratio using a generally accepted formula that measures business liquidity by deriving the proportion of current assets available to meet current liabilities.
- » It is important that the underwriter select a business liquidity formula based on how the business operates.
 For example:
 - The Quick Ratio (also known as the Acid Test Ratio) is appropriate for businesses that rely heavily
 on inventory to generate income. This test excludes inventory from current assets in calculating
 the proportion of current assets available to meet current liabilities.
 - Quick Ratio = (Current Assets Inventory) / Current Liabilities
 - The Current Ratio (also known as the Working Capital Ratio) may be more appropriate for businesses not relying on inventory to generate income.
 - Current Ratio = Current Assets / Current Liabilities
- » While a result of one or grater is generally sufficient to confirm adequate business liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings, REMN may support adequate liquidity using alternative methods with a documented rationale.

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Analyzing Returns for an S Corporation

Evaluating the Business Income

- When the borrower has 25% or more ownership interest in the business, REMN must perform a business cash flow analysis and evaluate the overall financial position of the business and confirm:
 - Income is stable and consistent, and
 - Sales and earnings trends are positive.
- » If the business does not meet these standards, business income cannot be used to qualify the borrower. Borrower's Proportionate Share of Income or Loss
- » The borrower's proportionate share of income or loss is based on the borrower's (shareholder) percentage of stock ownership in the business for the tax year as shown on IRS Form 1120S, Schedule K-
 - 1. The cash flow analysis should consider only the borrower's proportionate share of the business income (or loss), taking into account any adjustments to the business income that are discussed below. Business income may only be used to qualify the borrower if REMN obtains documentation verifying that:
 - The income was actually distributed to the borrower consistent with the level of business income reflected on the K-1, or
 - The business has adequate liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings.
- » REMN may use discretion in selecting the method to confirm that the business has adequate liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings. When business tax returns are provided, for example, REMN may calculate a ratio using a generally accepted formula that measures business liquidity by deriving the proportion of current assets available to meet current liabilities.
- » It is important that the underwriter select a business liquidity formula based on how the business operates.
 For example:
 - The Quick Ratio (also known as the Acid Test Ratio) is appropriate for businesses that rely heavily
 on inventory to generate income. This test excludes inventory from current assets in calculating
 the proportion of current assets available to meet current liabilities.
 - Quick Ratio = (Current Assets Inventory) / Current Liabilities
 - The Current Ratio (also known as the Working Capital Ratio) may be more appropriate for businesses not relying on inventory to generate income.
 - Current Ratio = Current Assets / Current Liabilities
- » While a result of one or greater is generally sufficient to confirm adequate business liquidity to support the withdrawal of earnings, REMN may support adequate liquidity using alternative methods with a documented rational.

Adjustments to Business Cash Flow

- » Items that can be added back to the business cash flow include depreciation, depletion, amortization, casualty losses, and other losses that are not consistent and recurring.
- » The following items should be subtracted from the business cash flow:
 - Meals and entertainment exclusion,
 - Other Reported income that is not consistent and recurring, and
 - The total amount of obligations on mortgages or notes that are payable in less than one (1) year.

These adjustments are not required for lines of credit or if there is evidence that these obligations roll over regularly and/or the business has sufficient liquid assets to cover them.

IRS 4506C Requirements

For Fannie Mae loans, REMN's LOS has been programmed to randomly indicate if tax transcripts are required on a pre-closing basis (i.e. "Order Tax Transcripts" field will indicate "Yes" or "No" as to whether the transcripts must be ordered).

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ASSETS

Verification of Deposits and Assets

The following types of documentation can be used to verify that a borrower has sufficient funds for closing, down payment, and/or financial reserves:

- » Request for Verification of Deposit (Form 1006 or Form 1006(S)). The information must be requested directly from the depository institution, and the complete, signed, and dated document must be sent directly from the depository institution.
- » Copies of bank statements or investment portfolio statements. All statements must:
 - clearly identify the borrower as the account holder,
 - include at least the last four digits of the account number,
 - include the time period covered by the statement,
 - include all deposits and withdrawal transactions (for depository accounts),
 - o include all purchase and sale transactions (for financial portfolio accounts), and
 - o include the ending account balance.

The borrower can obtain a transaction printout from their financial institution. However, sourcing of the document (URL) is required. The printout or alternative verification is acceptable as long as all required data (above) is supplied and documented.

- » Direct verification by a third-party asset verification vendor. These verifications are acceptable as long as:
 - the borrower provided proper authorizations for REMN to use the verification method,
 - the verified information provided must conform with the information that would be provided on Form 1006, Form 1006(S), or on bank statements,
 - the date of the completed verification is in compliance with Allowable Age of Credit Documents and Federal Income Tax Returns requirements.
 - REMN has determined that the vendor maintains reasonable practices that ensure reliable and authorized verifications of deposit and asset information (seeA4-1-01, Maintaining Seller/Servicer Eligibility (12/16/2020)), and
 - REMN understands it will be held accountable for the integrity of the information obtained from this source.
- » Copies of retirement account statements. They must be the most recent statements, and they must identify the borrower's vested amount and the terms. (See B3-4.3-03, Retirement Accounts (06/30/2015), for additional information.)

The number of required bank or investment portfolio statements varies per transaction type as shown in the following table.

Documentation Requirements		
	The statements must cover the most recent full two-month	
Purchase Transactions	period of account activity (60 days, or, if account information	
	is reported on a quarterly basis, the most recent quarter).	
	The statements must cover the most recent full one-month	
Refinance and Cash-Out Transaction	period of account activity (30 days, or, if account information	
	is reported on a quarterly basis, the most recent quarter).	

If the latest bank statement is more than 45 days earlier than the date of the loan application, REMN should ask the borrower to provide a more recent, supplemental, bank-generated form that shows at least the last four digits of the account number, balance, and date. The statements may be computer-generated forms, including online account or portfolio statements downloaded by the borrower from the Internet.

Documents that are faxed to REMN or downloaded from the Internet must clearly identify the name of the depository or investment institution and the source of information—for example, by including that information in the Internet or fax banner at the top of the document.

If necessary, REMN must supplement these verifications by obtaining any missing information from the borrower or the depository institution.

Note: Files submitted to DU will not require documentation of assets for refinance transactions when the total funds to be verified are \$500 or less.

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Depository Accounts

- » Funds held in a checking, savings, money market, certificate of deposit or other depository account may be used for down payment, closing costs and financial reserves.
 - Must include at least the last four (4) digits of the account number
- » Unverified funds are not acceptable for down payment, closing costs or financial reserves.
- » REMN must investigate any indication of borrowed funds.

NOTE: On an exception basis only, REMN Operations and/or UW Managers may approve the use of a completed Verification of Deposit (VOD) in lieu of bank statements as described below. This VOD is only allowed in cases where the bank statements have not yet been received. If bank statements have been received, the exception allowance for the VOD is NOT available.

Business Assets

» Business assets may be an acceptable source of funds for the down payment, closing costs, and financial reserves. The borrower must be listed as an owner of the account and the account must be verified in accordance with <u>Verification of Deposits and Assets</u>. If the borrower is also using self-employment income from this business to qualify, see <u>Self-Employment Income</u> for additional information on the analysis of a self-employed borrower.

Bank Statements (Evaluating Large Deposits)

- » When bank statements (covering the most recent full two-month period of account activity) are used, REMN must evaluate large deposits, which are defined as a single deposit that exceeds 50% of the total monthly qualifying income for the loan. Complete statements for each month must be provided.
- » REMN must obtain the borrower's written explanation and documentation of source of funds for large deposits,
- » Any bank account opened within 90 days of the application date with REMN or has a current balance significantly higher than the average balance must be investigated.

Refinance Transactions

» Documentation or explanation for large deposits is not required; however, REMN remains responsible for ensuring that any borrowed funds, including any related liability, are considered.

Purchase Transactions

- » If funds from a large deposit are needed to complete the purchase transaction (that is, are used for the down payment, closing costs or financial reserves), REMN must document that those funds are from an acceptable source.
 - Occasionally, a borrower may not have all of the documentation required to confirm the source
 of a large deposit. In those instances, REMN must use reasonable judgment based on the
 available documentation as well as the borrower's debt-to-income ratio and overall income and
 credit profile.
 - Examples of acceptable documentation, proof of ownership of an asset that was sold, or a copy
 of a wedding invitation to support receipt of gift funds. REMN must place in the loan file written
 documentation of the rationale for using the funds.
- » Verified funds must be reduced by the amount (or portion) of the undocumented large deposit (as defined above), and REMN must confirm that the remaining funds for the down payment, closing costs and financial reserves.
- » When REMN uses a reduced asset amount, net of the unsourced amount of a large deposit(s) that reduced amount must be used for underwriting purposes.
 - **Note**: When a deposit has both sourced and unsourced portions, only the unsourced portion must be used to calculate whether or not it must be considered a large deposit.
- » Scenario 1: Borrower has monthly income of \$4,000 and an account at ABC Bank with a balance of \$20,000. A deposit of \$3,000 is identified, but \$2,500 of that deposit is document as coming from the borrower's federal income tax refund.
 - Only the unsourced \$500 (the deposit of \$3,000 minus the documented \$2,500) must be considered in calculating whether it meets the large deposit definition.
 - The unsourced \$500 is 12.5% of the borrower's \$4,000 monthly income, falling short of the 50% definition of a large deposit.
- » Scenario 2: Using the same borrower example, a deposit of \$3,000 is identified, but only \$500 is documented coming from the borrower's federal income tax refund, leaving \$2,500 unsourced.
 - In this instance, the unsourced \$2,500 is 63% of the borrower's \$4,000 monthly income, which does meet the definition of a large deposit.

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	o Therefore, the unsourced \$2,500 must be subtracted from the account balance of \$2,000 and
	only the remaining \$17,500 may be used for underwriting purposes.
	» Scenario 3: Total qualifying income for a loan is \$5,000 and bank statement contains 4 separate deposits
	of \$1,000 each, for a monthly total of \$4,000. Since each single deposit is less than \$2,500 (50% of
	\$5,000) it TECHNICALLY does not need to be explained.
	Note : Although the technical calculation would indicate that an explanation is not required, if the total
	monthly income for a loan is \$5,000 and within a one-month period there were non- payroll deposits
	of \$4,000 - REMN would require additional explanation and documentation of the non-payroll deposits.
	» If the source of a large deposit is readily identifiable on the account statement, such as a direct deposit
	from an employer (payroll), the Social Security Administration, or IRS or state income tax refund and
	the source of the deposit is printed on the statement, REMN does not need to obtain further
	explanation or documentation.
	» REMN will continue to require that all loans be fully underwritten for overall risk and "common sense"
	approach to lending.
Joint Access	» When an individual, other than the borrower(s), are on a bank account(s), a joint access letter is NOT
Letters	required.
Retirement	» Vested funds from individual retirement (IRA/SEP/Keogh accounts) and tax-favored retirement
Accounts	accounts (401k) are acceptable sources of funds for down payment, closing costs & reserves.
	» REMN must verify the ownership of these accounts and the borrower's actual receipt of the funds
	realized from the liquidation of the assets if needed to complete the transaction.
	» When funds from retirement accounts are used for reserves, FNMA does not require the funds to be
	withdrawn from the account(s). However, REMN must exercise caution when considering the
	retirement accounts as effective reserves because these accounts often;
	 Are in the form of stocks, bonds or mutual funds,
	 Feature significant penalties for early withdrawals,
	 Allow limited access; or,
	 Have vesting requirements.
	» If the retirement assets are in the form of stocks, bonds or mutual funds, the account(s) must meet the
	requirements listed in the Stocks, Bonds, Mutual Funds section for determining value and whether
	documentation of the borrower's actual receipt of funds is required when used for the down payment
	and closing costs. When retirement account(s) are used for reserves, REMN does not require funds to
	be withdrawn from the account(s).
	» In order to be considered as effective reserves, retirement accounts must be vested and allow
	withdrawals regardless of current employment status.
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Insurance	. ,
insurance	for the funds from the insurance company by obtaining either a copy of the check from the insurer or a copy of the payout statement issued by the insurer.
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	» If the cash-value of the life insurance is being used for reserves, the cash-value must be documented but
	does not need to be liquidated and received by the borrower.
Credit Card	» Credit card reward points are acceptable funds for use towards closing costs, down payment, and
Reward Points	financial reserves, provided the reward points are converted to cash prior to the closing of the loan.
	» The following requirements apply:
	 If the credit card reward points are converted to cash and deposited into the borrower's
	depository account (for example, checking or savings), no additional documentation is required
	unless the deposit is considered a large deposit. In this event, REMN must follow the
	requirements in Evaluating Large Deposits in B3-4.2-02, Depository Accounts.
	 If the credit card reward points are converted to cash, but not deposited into a borrower's
	depository account, REMN must provide evidence the reward points were available to the
	borrower prior to the conversion, including verification of the cash value (for example, credit
	card reward statement prior to conversion); and converted to cash prior to the closing of the
	loan.
	» For DU loan casefiles, if the reward points are not already converted to cash and deposited into a
	depository account, lenders must enter the cash value of the reward points as an Asset with an Account
	Type of "Other" and a description of "Other Liquid". See <u>B3-4.4-02</u> , <u>Requirements for Certain Assets in</u>
	<u>DU</u> for more information.

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Employer Assistance	 Forms of Employer Assistance (if secured second mortgage, see <u>Subordinate Financing</u> for additional details) A grant A direct, fully-repayable second mortgage or unsecured loan A forgivable second mortgage or unsecured loan, or A deferred-payment second mortgage or unsecured loan. Primary residence only; not allowed for 2nd home or Investment property transactions Funds must come directly from the employer, including through an employer-affiliated credit union Minimum Borrower Contribution Requirements must be met. Documentation requirements: Program is an established company program, not just an accommodation for an individual employee. The dollar amount of the employee assistance Terms of any other employee assistance being offered to the borrower (such as relocation benefits or gifts) That the borrower received the employer assistance funds directly from the employer (or through an
	employer-affiliated credit union).
Funds to Close	 Earnest money deposit funds from an acceptable source and the borrower has sufficient assets remaining to complete the mortgage transaction (down payment, closing costs and prepaids) and provide reserves (if required) must be verified. Earnest money deposit must be sourced if it is considered by the DU findings and listed on the 1003. If the earnest money deposit is not considered by DU and NOT listed on the 1003, it does not need to be sourced. Bank statements must evidence that the average balance for the past two months was large enough to support the amount of deposit If a copy of the canceled deposit check is used to document the source of funds, the bank statements must cover the period up to (and including) the date the check cleared the bank If it cannot be determined that these funds were withdrawn from the borrower's account, additional verification of the source and evidence that the funds have actually changed hands from the borrower to the seller, the realtor, the escrow agent or the settlement attorney should be provided Large earnest money deposits and/or deposits verified on the bank statements that exceed the amount customary for the borrower should be closely evaluated. Receipt of the deposit must be verified by either a copy of the borrower's canceled check or a written statement from the holder of the deposit.
Down Payment	» Minimum down payment must come from an acceptable source and the borrower must have sufficient funds remaining to complete the mortgage transaction
Foreign Assets	 REMN must document all sources of funds used for down payments, closing costs and financial reserves. All documents of a foreign origin must be completed in English, or the originator must provide a translation, attached to each document, and ensure the translation is complete and accurate. When the source of those funds originates from assets located outside of the U.S. and its territories, those assets require documented evidence of the foreign assets exchanged into U.S. dollars and held in a U.S. or state regulated financial institution, and verification of the funds in U.S. dollars prior to the loan closing.
Cash on Hand	» REMN does not allow cash on hand as acceptable source of funds.

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Rent-Related Credits

Rent Credit with an Option to Purchase

- » Rent credit with an option to purchase is the portion of rental payments (also referred to as lease payments) paid by the borrower that can be credited towards the down payment or minimum borrower contribution under a documented rental or purchase agreement. Borrowers are not required to make a minimum borrower contribution from their own funds for the rental payments to be credited toward the down payment. The rent credit is not considered an interested party contribution.
- » The rent credit from the seller for the down payment is determined by calculating the difference between the market rent and the actual rent paid by the borrower. The market rent is determined by the appraiser in the appraisal for the subject property and the credit may be no more than the difference between the market rent and the actual rent paid
- » REMN must obtain the following documentation:
 - A copy of the rental/lease with an option to purchase agreement that evidences the following:
 - an original term of at least 12 months,
 - the total number of months of the agreement,
 - the monthly rental amount, and
 - the amount of the monthly rent credit.
 - Copies of the borrower's canceled checks, bank statements, money order receipts or other reasonable methods evidencing the rental payments over the term of the agreement. The documentation must clearly indicate the payee and the amount being paid.
 - The appraisal of the subject property reflecting the market rent amount.

Rent-Back Credit

- » A rent-back credit is an amount paid by the property seller to the borrower in exchange for allowing the seller to stay in the home for a specified period of time after closing. While rent-back credit to the borrower paid by the seller is permissible as part of the sale; it cannot be used as an eligible source of funds for closing costs, down payment, or reserves when qualifying the borrower.
- » A rent-back credit may appear on the Closing Disclosure as a credit to the borrower. In all cases, REMN must underwrite the loan without any consideration of the rent-back credit (e.g., it must not be entered in the DU loan application data) and must document that the borrower has sufficient funds for the transaction from eligible sources.
- » **Note:** For loans secured by the borrower's principal residence, the borrower must continue to meet any occupancy requirements as outlined in the security instrument.

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Seller / Interested Party Contributions (IPC)

- IPCs are either financing concessions or sales concessions. FNMA does not permit the IPC's to be used to make the borrower's down payment, meet financial reserve requirements or meet minimum borrower contribution requirements. FMNA considers the following IPCs;
 - funds paid directly by an interested party to the borrower;
 - funds that flow through a third-party organization, including nonprofit entities, from the interested party to the borrower;
 - funds provided to the transaction on the borrower's behalf by an interested party, including a thirdparty organization or nonprofit agency; and
 - funds donated by an interested party to a third party, which then pays some or all of the closing costs for a specific transaction.
- » Interested parties to a transaction include, but are not limited to:
 - The property seller, builder, or developer,
 - The real estate agent or broker,
 - Any affiliate of the above, or
 - Any party that can benefit from the sale of the property at the highest price and influence the sales price or real estate transactions.
- » Sales concessions are IPC's that take the form on non-realty items. They include cash, furniture, automobiles, decorator allowances, moving costs and other giveaways, as well as financing concessions that exceed FNMA limits. Consequently, the value of sales concessions must be deducted from the sales price when calculation the LTV/CLTV/HCLTV ratios.
- If a temporary interest rate buydown is being offered to the borrower, the cost of the subsidy to fund that buydown must be included in the IPC calculation, if received from an interested party or a lender affiliated with an interested party.
 - REMN must determine if the cost of the subsidy meets allowable IPC limits. This can be accomplished by confirming the current market interest rate (the rate that is offered without the payment of any discount points) and the discount points being charge to obtain the interest rate being offered with the buydown.
 - Note: Fees for forward commitments that a builder pays to a lender before entering into a sales
 contract with a borrower are not subject to the IPC limits because they are not attributable to a
 specific loan transactions. A loan with a reduced interest rate due to a standby commitment must
 be delivered with SFC 887.

Occupancy Type	LTV/CLTV/HCLTV	Maximum IPC
Principal Residence	≥90.01%	3%
OR	75.01% - 90.00%	6%
Second Home	75.00% or Less	9%
Investment Property	All LTV/CLTV/HCLTV	2%

- » The following are not considered to be IPCs and are not subject to the requirements described above:
 - A credit derived from premium pricing, even if REMN is an interested party to the transaction;
 - Gift funds or gift of equity from a seller who is also an acceptable donor provided that:
 - The donor is not a builder, or another interested party, and has no affiliation with any other interested party to the transaction, and
 - All requirements pertaining to gift funds and gift of equity from an acceptable donor as stated in Gift Funds and Gift of Equity are met;
 - A legitimate pro-rated real estate tax credit in places where real estate taxes are paid in arrears;
 and
 - Fees for standby/forward commitments (must executed prior to signing a sales contract with the borrower)

Use of Real Estate Commission for Subject Transaction

- If the borrower is a licensed realtor who will earn a commission on the subject property, the funds are considered acceptable to be used at the time of settlement for down payment and closing costs.

 REMN must document the following:
 - \circ The settlement statement must reflect the commission earned by the borrower, and
 - o The earned commission amount must be credited towards the mortgage loan.
- » Note: For DU loan casefiles, earned real estate commission must be entered as a Credit Type of "Other" in Section 2b of the online loan application.

1031 / Like Kind Exchange

Assets for the down payment from a "like-kind exchange" also known as a 1031 exchange, are eligible if properly documented and in compliance with Internal Revenue Code Section 1031.

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Gift Letter	Gifts must be evidenced by a letter signed by the donor, called the gift letter. When the gift is sourced by a			
	trust established by an acceptable donor or an estate of an acceptable donor, the gift letter must be signed			
	by the donor and list the name of the trust of the estate account.			
	_	The gift letter must:		
		amount of the gift,		
	•	ls were transferred,	to alter described and	
		tatement that no repayment is		
		ame, address, phone number ar	·	
			eing pooled with the borrower's funds to make up the	
		sh down payment, the followin	ne has lived with the borrower for the past 12 months	
		to do so in the new residence.	ie has lived with the borrower for the past 12 months	
			wer and donor shared residency. The donor's address	
		-	amples include but are not limited to; a copy of driver's	
	license, a bill or b		amples medate but are not inniced to, a copy of arriver s	
Gift Funds			ft are either in the donor's account (such as a checking,	
Transfer	_		ount owned by the donor) or have been transferred to	
		nt. Acceptable documentation	<u> </u>	
	» Copy of donor's check and borrower's deposit slip,			
	» Copy of donor's withdrawal slip and borrower's deposit slip,			
	» Evidence of the electronic transfer of funds from the donor's account to the borrower's account or to			
	the closing agent,			
	» Copy of donor's check to the closing agent; or,			
	» Settlement statement showing receipt of the donor's check.			
	Note : When funds are not transferred prior to settlement, the closing agent must document receipt of			
	gift funds in the form or a certified check, cashier's check or other official check.			
	- If the borrower receives a gift from an acceptable donor who has lived with the borrower for the			
		last 12 months, the gift is considered the borrower's own funds and may be used to satisfy the		
		minimum borrower contribution requirement as long as both individuals will use the home being purchased as their principal residence.		
Gift Funds	•		ment closing costs or financial reserves subject to the	
Girtrainas	» Gift funds may fund all or part of the down payment, closing costs or financial reserves subject to the minimum borrower contribution requirements below:			
	LTV/CLTV/HCLTV	-	ition Requirement from Own Funds	
		1 Allmit Duineam	A minimum borrower contribution from the	
	≤80.00%	1-4 Unit Primary Second Home	borrower's own funds is <u>not</u> required. All funds can	
		Second Home	come from a gift.	
		1 Unit Primary	A minimum borrower contribution from the	
	≥80.01%	1 Ome i imary	borrower's own funds is <u>not</u> required. All funds can	
	(MI Guidelines		come from a gift.	
	must be followed		A minimum 5% borrower contribution from	
	on LTV's	2-4 Unit Primary	borrower's own funds required. After the minimum	
	≥ 80.01%)	Second Home	borrower contribution has been met, gifts can be	
			used to supplement down payment, closing or	

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reserves.

- » Gifts are not allowed on investment property.
- » An outright gift of cash investment is acceptable provided the donor is;
 - The borrower's relative; defined as the borrower's spouse, child or other dependent or by any other individual who is related to the borrower by blood, marriage or legal guardianship; or,
 - a non-relative that shares a familial relationship with the borrower defined as a domestic partner (or relative of the domestic partner), individual engaged to marry the borrower, former relative, or godparent.
- Gifts must come from individuals related to the borrower, as per above. Trusts and estates do NOT meet the gift donor requirements.
- » The donor may not be or have any affiliation with the builder, developer, real estate agent or any other interested party to the transaction (e.g. borrower's parent, who is also the selling realtor giving a gift of cash or commission to the borrower for down payment).
 - Gifts from these sources are considered inducements and must be subtracted from the sales price.
- When gift funds from an acceptable donor is being pooled with the borrower's funds to make up the required minimum down cash down payment, the following items must also be included;
 - A certification from the donor stating that he/she has lived with the borrower for the past twelve (12) months and will continue to do so in the new residence.
 - Documents that demonstrate a history of borrower and donor shared residency. The donor's address must be the same as the borrower's (i.e. driver's license, bill, bank statements, etc.).
- » A contribution from an individual who is on the purchase agreement/title but is not obligated on the note is acceptable and is **not** deemed a gift to the borrower.
 - REMN must enter the funds from the title-only individual(s) as "other liquid assets".
- A gift of Equity refers to a gift provided by the seller of a property to the borrower. The gift represents a portion of the seller's equity in the property and is transferred to a buyer as a credit in the transaction. A gift of equity is permitted for principal residence and second home purchase transactions.
- The acceptable donor and minimum borrower contribution requirements for gifts apply to gift of equity.

Definition of Related Person

- Fannie Mae defines a person related to the borrower as follows:
 - Spouse, Child, or Dependent
 - Individuals related by Blood, Marriage, or Adoption
 - Guardian of the Borrower
 - A person for whom the Borrower is a Guardian
 - The Borrower's Fiancée or Fiancé
 - The Borrower's Domestic Partner
 - An Unrelated Individual with Close, Family-Like Ties to the Borrower
- » The following are **not** considered related persons. However, gift funds **may** be sourced from the following:
 - A trust established by a person related to the borrower
 - An estate of a person related to the borrower
- Note: Gift funds from the seller who is also an acceptable donor and not affiliated with any other interested party to the transaction are allowed. The donor of a gift of equity is not considered an interested party to the transaction.

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Business Assets	 Business assets can be used for down payment, closing costs and reserves when a borrower is self-employed and the individual federal income tax returns have been evaluated by REMN, including, when applicable, the business federal income tax returns for that particular business (non-Schedule C). When business assets are used, the borrower must be listed as an owner on the account and the account must be verified following verification of deposit/bank statement guidelines. Although the borrower is no longer required to be 100% owner of the business, the underwriter may ask for additional information where there is a huge difference between the percentage of ownership and percentage of funds being used. Example: A borrower owns 5% of the business but is using a substantial portion of the business assets for down payment, closing costs and/or reserves. NOTE: FNMA has confirmed that if the bank statement does not reflect the borrower's name, then REMN must obtain something from the bank to show that our borrower is an owner of the business. A CPA letter confirming that the withdrawal of business funds will not be detrimental to the business in not required—virtually all CPA's will refuse to provide such a letter, based upon guidance from their professional trade organization. REMN is still required to perform a cash-flow analysis to confirm the withdrawal will not have a negative impact on the business. Cash flow analysis will include an analysis of monthly expenses, and an examination of the types of monthly expenses when considering the impact of funds being withdrawn. Situations with mandatory monthly expenses will require more funds be left in the business account than a business that is a simple individual that works from their home and has no true monthly expenses that are paid from that business. Cash-flow analysis is accomplished with three (3) months business statements. Because FNMA did not give "absolut
	that are paid from that business. - Cash-flow analysis is accomplished with three (3) months business statements. » Because FNMA did not give "absolute" criteria regarding impact to the business, the above guidance is provided. The final decision regarding what documentation will be required rests solely with the
	Transaction should not deplete the majority of the business account.
Gift of Equity	 A gift of equity refers to a gift provided by the seller of a property to the borrower. The gift represents a portion of the seller's equity in the property and is transferred to the buyer as a credit in the transaction. A gift of equity is permitted for principal residence and second home purchase transactions. The acceptable donor and minimum borrower contribution requirements for gifts also apply to gifts of equity. The following must be retained in the loan file; A signed gift letter; and, The CD listing the gift of equity. If the requirements listed in this topic are met, the gift of equity is not subject to FNMA's Interested
	Party Contribution requirements.

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Stocks, Bonds,	» 100% of the account value is permitted for post-closing reserves (including retirement accounts)		
Mutual Funds	» If stocks/bonds/mutual funds will be used for down payment &/or closing costs, please note:		
	• If value of combined assets is at least 20% more than what borrower needs, liquidation is not		
	required		
	o EXAMPLE 1:		
	 Asset(s) from stocks/bonds/mutual funds are \$100,000 		
	 Borrower needs at least \$75,000 to close; \$75,000 x 120% = \$90,000 		
	 Since borrower has more than \$90K in stocks/bonds/mutual funds, evidence 		
	of liquidation is not required		
	o EXAMPLE 2:		
	 Asset(s) from stocks/bonds/mutual funds are \$100,000 		
	■ Borrower needs at least \$85,000 to close; \$85,00 x 120% = \$102,000		
	Since borrower does not have more than \$102K in stocks/bonds/mutual		
	funds, evidence of liquidation is required.		
	Refer to FNMA Selling Guide (<u>Section B3-4.3-01 Stocks, Stock Options, Bonds and Mutual</u>		
	Funds) in regards to determining the value of the asset.		
	As a reminder, non-vested assets are not eligible for down payment, closing costs and/or		
	reserves.		
Virtual Currency	 Virtual currency that has been exchanged into U.S. dollars is acceptable for the down payment, closing 		
Virtual Carrelley	costs, and financial reserves provided the following requirements are met:		
	there is documented evidence that the virtual currency has been exchanged into U.S. dollars		
	and is held in a U.S. or state regulated financial institution, and		
	 the funds are verified in U.S. dollars prior to the loan closing. 		
	» A large deposit may be from virtual currency that was exchanged into U.S. dollars. REMN must obtain sufficient documentation to verify the funds originated from the borrower's virtual currency account.		
	 Virtual currency may not be used for the deposit on the sales contract (earnest money) for the purchase 		
	of the subject property.		
	of the subject property.		

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Reserve Requirements

What are Liquid Financial Reserves?

- » Liquid financial reserves are those liquid or near liquid assets, that are available to a borrower after the mortgage closes. Liquid financial reserves include cash and other assets that are easily converted to cash by the borrower's:
 - Drafting or withdrawing funds from an account, selling an asset, redeeming vested funds; or, obtaining a loan secured by assets from a fund administrator or an insurance company.
- » Reserves are measured by the number of months of the qualifying payment amount for the subject mortgage (based on PITIA) that a borrower could pay using his/her financial assets.

Acceptable Sources of Reserves

» Checking or Savings Accounts, Investment in stocks, bonds, mutual funds, certificates of deposit, money market funds and trust accounts, the amount vested in retirement savings and cash value of a vested life insurance policy. Note: Certain assets must be discounted when used for reserves.

Unacceptable Sources of Reserves

» Funds that have not been vested, funds that cannot be withdrawn under circumstances other than the account owner's retirement, employment termination, or death, stocks held in an unlisted corporation, stock options and non-vested restricted stock, personal unsecured loans, rent-back credit, interested party contributions, any amount of a REMN credit derived from premium pricing, and cash proceeds from a cash-out refinance transaction on the subject property.

DU Loan Casefiles

- With release of DU 10.3, cash-out refinance transactions for borrowers with DTI ratio exceeding 45% must have at least six (6) months reserves. If < 6mos, an Ineligible recommendation will be received.
- » DU will determine the reserve requirements based on the overall risk assessment of the loan and the minimum reserves requirement that may be required for the transaction, and whether the borrower has multiple financed properties.
- » If a borrower has multiple financed properties and is financing a second home or investment property, DU will base the reserve calculation for the other financed properties on the number of financed properties determined by DU. See below table for details.

Principal Residence

- » Per DU findings
- » No additional reserves required for borrowers converting their current principal residence to a second home or investment property, as per FNMA Selling Bulletin SEL-2015-07.

Second Home or Investment Property

- » Per DU.
- » If the borrower owns other financed properties, the following additional reserves must be calculated and documented. The other financed properties reserves amount must be determined by applying a specific percentage to the aggregate of the outstanding unpaid principal balance (UPB) for mortgages & HELOCs on these other financed properties. The percentages are based on the number of financed properties:
 - 2% of the aggregate UPB if the borrower has 1-4 financed properties,
 - 4% of the aggregate UPB if the borrower has 5-6 financed propertied, or
 - 6% of the aggregate UPB if the borrower has 7-10 financed properties
- » The aggregate UPB calculation does not include mortgages and HELOCs that are on:
 - The subject property
 - The borrower's primary residence,
 - Properties that are sold or pending sale, and
 - Accounts that will be paid by closing (or omitted in DU on the online application).
 - NOTE: DU will also include in the UPB calculation open mortgages and HELOCs on the credit report that are not disclosed on the online loan application.

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Reserve Requirements (continued)

Examples of Reserves Calculations – Multiple Financed Properties Transactions

The following tables contain examples of reserves calculations for borrowers with multiple financed properties

Example 1: Three (3) Financed Properties

Occupancy	Outstanding UPB	Monthly PITIA	Reserves Calculations	
Subject: Second	\$78,750	\$776	2 months PITIA	\$1,552
Home				
Principal	\$0	\$179	N/A	\$9
Investor	\$87,550	\$787	\$230,050 x 2% =	\$4,601
Investor	\$142,500	\$905		
TOTAL	\$230,050		TOTAL =	\$6,153

Example 2: Six (6) Financed Properties

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Occupancy	Outstanding UPB	Monthly PITIA	Reserves Calculations	
Subject: Investor	\$78,750	\$776	6 months PITIA	\$4,656
Principal	\$133,000	\$946	N/A	\$0
Investor	\$87,550	\$787		
Investor	\$142,500	\$905	\$345,030 x 4% = \$13,86	ć12 001
Investor	\$84,950	\$722		\$13,801
Investor	\$30,030	\$412		
TOTAL	\$345,030		TOTAL =	\$18,457

Example 3: Eight (8) Financed Properties

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Occupancy	Outstanding UPB	Monthly PITIA	Reserves C	alculations
Subject: Investor	\$78,750	\$776	6 months PITIA	\$4,656
Principal	\$133,000	\$946	N/A	\$0
Investor	\$87,550	\$787		
Investor	\$142,500	\$905		
Investor	\$84,950	\$722	¢620 F20 v 60/ –	¢27 772
Investor	\$30,030	\$412	\$629,530 x 6% =	\$37,772
Second Home	\$124,500	\$837		
Investor	\$160,000	\$1,283		
TOTAL	\$629,530		TOTAL =	\$42,427

Sale of Personal Assets

- Proceeds from the sale of personal assets are an acceptable source of funds for the down payment, closing costs, and reserves provided the individual purchasing the asset is not a party to the property sale transaction or the mortgage financing transaction.
- » Documentation Requirements
- » REMN must document the following:
- » The borrower's ownership of the asset for all asset types that are titled assets, for example automobile title.
- » The value of the asset, as determined by an independent and reputable source, if the proceeds represent more than 50% of the total monthly income used in qualifying. REMN must use the lesser of the estimated value (as determined by the independent source) or actual sales price when determining the amount of funds for the transaction. For example, a borrower plans to sell their vehicle. The value as determined by an independent source is \$10,000; the sales price of the vehicle is \$12,000. \$10,000 can be added to the borrower's available funds even if the sale has already occurred.
- » The transfer of ownership of the asset, as documented by either a bill of sale or a statement from the purchaser.
- » The borrower's receipt of the sale proceeds from documents such as deposit slips, bank statements, copies of the purchaser's canceled check or an equivalent payment source.

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	OTHER REAL ESTATE OWNED
Number of	» The preferred method for processing multiple mortgages for the same borrower, but on different
Properties	properties is to process, underwrite and close them at the same time. Essentially once all of the
Financed with	mortgages are closed, they would "mirror" one another, with each property reflecting the new
REMN	mortgages on the other properties.
	» However, we cannot always control when a borrower can close, and it might not be possible to close the loans simultaneously. In this instance, the file must be uniquely underwritten, as we must consider
	the "worst case" scenario. In other words, even though the final 1003 can only show what the borrower
	is legally obligated for on the day of closing, there must be a memo to the file showing what the
	anticipated ratios, etc., will be, once the other loan(s) close.
	» REMN realizes that the other loan(s) ultimately may not close; however, since the borrower has applied
	for another mortgage, the terms and conditions of that proposed mortgage must be considered.
	REMN Overlay: More than 4 REMN Mortgages - Exception must be approved by Executive
	Management.
	Simultaneous loan submissions for a single borrower must receive REMN Executive Management
	approval.
Properties Owned Free & Clear	If a borrower indicates a property they own is owned free and clear, the following is required.
Free & Clear	 IRS Transcript to verify no mortgage interest taken. If the property was purchased within the current calendar year (the transcript not available), a
	copy of the HUD-1/CD showing it was purchased with no mortgage PLUS one (1) of the following
	additional documents:
	Copy of hazard insurance declaration page showing no mortgagee listed AND
	2. Copy of MERS report for property showing no mortgage listed; OR
	3. Copy of Data Verify report showing no mortgage linked
	- If IRS transcripts are unavailable on a property owned more than one (1) year, then a case-by-
Current Principal	case exception may be allowed with the approval of an Underwriting Manager. » If the borrower's current principal residence is pending sale, but the transaction will not close with title
Residence Pending	transfer to the new owner prior to the REMN loan, and the borrower is purchasing a new principal
Sale	residence, the current PITIA and the proposed PITIA must be used in qualifying the borrower for the
	new mortgage loan.
	» REMN will not require the current principal residence's PITIA to be used in qualifying the borrower as
	long as the following additional documentation is provided;
	- The fully-executed sales contract for the current residence; and,
	- Confirmation from the borrower's attorney that all financing contingencies have been cleared. This
	verification must come from the borrower's attorney or escrow company, not the realtor.

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Appraisal	All appraisal orders must be placed through REMN Wholesale's approved appraisal management	
Management	companies:**	
Companies (AMC)	» Ascend Appraisal Solutions Group: CO	
	» Class Valuation: AK, AR, AZ, CA, DC, HI, IA, ID, KS, KY, LA, MN, MO, MS, MT, NE, NM, NV, OK, SD, TX,	
	UT, WV, WY	
	» Halo Appraisal Management: CT, IL, NJ, NY, PA, VT	
	» MaxVantage: DE, IN, MA, MD, MI, NH, OH, VA, WI	
	» Nationwide Appraisal Network: AL, FL, GA, NC, SC, TN	
	» Property Val: ME, RI	
	» ServiceLink: OR, WA Please refer to the Order an Appraisal page on the Broker Portal or www.remnwholesale.com for further	
	nstruction.	
	** For ALL STATES: Desktop Appraisals must be ordered through Class Valuation	
	Note: If a Desktop Appraisal later converts to a Full Appraisal, continue to work with Class Valuation to	
	complete the order	
Appraisal	» Appraisal must contain photos of front, back and street scene of the subject property as well as the	
, the area.	front of each comparable sales used.	
	» Interior photographs, which must, at a minimum include;	
	– Kitchen,	
	– All bathrooms,	
	 Main living area, 	
	 Examples of physical deterioration, if present; and, 	
	 Examples of recent updates, such as restoration, remodeling and renovation, if present. 	
	» An AVM is not required	
	» At the Underwriter's discretion, an AVM might be requested to further support the value.	
	» AVM is not required when a <u>Field Review</u> is present; field review will serve as support of value.	
	» If an applicable law, regulation or REMN's policy requires obtaining more than one (1) appraisal in	
	connection with the mortgage loan, REMN must select and use the single most accurate appraisal for underwriting purposes and that appraisal must be delivered through the Uniform Collateral Data Portal.	
	» For eligible transactions, DU Approve/Eligible findings may provide a Value Acceptance, where Fannie	
	Mae accepts the sales price or submitted value estimate as the market value for the subject property.	
	Please see Value Acceptance for details.	
Reconsideration of	A borrower-initiated reconsideration of value (ROV) must include the following:	
Value	» Borrower(s) name	
	» Property Address	
	» Effective Date of the appraisal	
	» Appraiser name	
	» Date of the ROV request	
	» Identification and description of unsupported, inaccurate, or deficient areas in the appraisal report	
	» Additional data, information, and comparable properties (not to exceed five), and the related data	
	sources (for example, the MLS listing number)	
	» An explanation of why the new data supports the ROV	
	Upon receipt of the ROV submission requirements, REMN will:	
	» Confirm an appraisal review was completed by an underwriter prior to the receipt of the ROV request,	
	» Confirm the loan has not closed. ROVs are not permitted on closed loans,	
	 Designate an underwriter or other appraisal subject matter expert to review the ROV request, Validate that the request from the borrower contains sufficient details prior to sending to the appraiser, 	
	 Validate that the request from the borrower contains sufficient details prior to sending to the appraiser, Obtain the necessary information from the borrower if the ROV request is unclear or needs more 	
	information.	
Appraisal Review	Underwriters can reference the internal Collateral Underwriter & Loan Collateral Advisor information for	
Process – FNMA	complete details/criteria in regard to REMN's Appraisal Review process for Fannie Mae/Freddie Mac loans.	
Collateral		
Underwriter (CU)		

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Desktop Appraisals

A desktop appraisal reported on the Form 1004 is permitted for certain transactions submitted to DU **Eligible Transactions**

To be eligible for a Desktop Appraisal, transactions must meet the following criteria:

- One-unit property (including those with an ADU and units in a PUD),
- Principal residence,
 - Purchase transaction (including new construction),
- LTV ratio less than or equal to 90%, and
- DU loan casefile that receives an Approve/Eligible recommendation.

Ineligible Transactions

The following transactions are not eligible for a desktop appraisal

- Two- to four-unit properties;
- Condo units;
- Manufactured homes;
- Construction-to-permanent loans (single-close and two-close);
- Second homes and investment properties;
- All refinances;
- HomeReady loans;
- Community Seconds with a subsidized sales price;
- Community land trusts, or other properties with resale price restrictions (loan casefiles using the Affordable LTV feature);
 - o Resale restrictions related to borrower age or income are eligible
- DU loan casefiles that receive an Ineligible recommendation; and
- Manually underwritten loans.

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Hybrid Appraisals

A hybrid appraisal reported on the Uniform Residential Appraisal Report (Hybrid) (<u>Form 1004 Hybrid</u>) or Individual Condominium Unit Appraisal Report Hybrid (<u>Form 1073 Hybrid</u>) are permitted for certain transactions and must conform to <u>B4-1.1-04 Unacceptable Appraisal Practices</u>. The minimum scope of work for hybrid appraisals includes consideration by the appraiser of interior and exterior property data collection by a trained and vetted third party (such as a real estate agent, insurance inspector, appraiser, etc.). The appraiser relies on the data collected (and other sources if needed) to identify property characteristics including condition. The property data collection must comply with Fannie Mae's property data standard and be delivered to the Fannie Mae Property Data API.

Completing the Hybrid Appraisal

- » Property data collection and the appraisal report are separate assignments and may be performed by different people. If the appraiser does not perform the data collection, REMN must share the property data collection with the appraiser at the time of engagement. The appraiser will use the data along with other third-party sources to develop the appraisal. The effective date of the hybrid appraisal is the date that the appraiser arrives at their opinion of value.
 - Note: If the appraiser is engaged as a property data collector and at a later date engaged as an appraiser, this is still considered a hybrid appraisal.
- » REMN remains responsible for verifying the accuracy of the property description and the completeness of the data including the condition and quality ratings as determined by the appraiser. REMN is also responsible for ensuring the property meets the property eligibility requirements in this Selling Guide. Lastly, REMN remains responsible for any life-of-loan representations and warranties that may apply to the property or the appraisal.
- » Exhibits: Form 1004 Hybrid and Form 1073 Hybrid require the same exhibits as traditional appraisals with the inclusion of a floor plan conforming to the ANSI standard. See <u>B4-1.2-01</u>, <u>Appraisal Report Forms and Exhibits</u> for additional information on exhibits and <u>B4-1.3-05</u>, <u>Improvements Section of the Appraisal Report for additional information on the ANSI standard.</u>
- » Entry of Appraisal Assignment Type: The appraiser must provide the Appraisal Assignment Type and supporting details (located in the Additional Comments section of the appraisal report) as shown in the following table

Field Labels	Required Entry
Appraisal Assignment Type	"Hybrid"
Subject Property Data Collection Method	"Physical"
Subject Property Data Collection Data	"YYYY-MM-DD"
	"Appraiser"
	"AppraiserTrainee"
Subject Property Data Workforce	"RealEstateAgent"
Subject Property Data Workforce	"HomeInspector"
	"InsInspector" (Insurance Inspection)
	"Other"

<u>Note</u>: For the Subject Property Data Collection Date, the appraiser must enter the date that the property data collection was performed. For the Subject Property Data Workforce, the appraiser must enter the Workforce indicated in the property data that is one of the six Required Entry enumerations listed above.

Eligible Transactions

- » Existing 1 Unit Properties, including a condo or unit in a PUD;
- » Principal residence, second home, or investment properties;
- » Under construction properties;
- » Existing properties with incomplete construction or renovation project;
- » Community land trusts, or other properties with resale price restriction, which include loan casefiles using the Affordable LTV feature; and
- » Texas 50(a)(6) loans

The transaction must be a purchase, limited cash-out refinance, or cash-out refinance

Ineligible Transactions

The following transactions are not eligible for a hybrid appraisal:

- » Proposed Construction and Construction-to-Permanent loans;
- » 2-4 unit properties
- » Manufactured homes, and
- » DU loan casefiles that receive an Ineligible recommendation.
- » Manually Underwritten Loans

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Representation and Warranties for Hybrid Appraisals	When exercising a hybrid appraisal, REMN must complete all of the following: » obtain a property data collection and successfully submit to the Fannie Mae Property Data API. » provide the property data collection to an appraiser for the completion of a hybrid appraisal based on » property type using either Form 1004 Hybrid or Form 1073 Hybrid. » submit the hybrid appraisal to the Uniform Collateral Data Portal (UCDP). » perform an appraisal review in accordance with this Guide. » deliver the loan with the hybrid appraisal to Fannie Mae Note: REMN may obtain a hybrid appraisal if a loan loses value acceptance + property data eligibility after submitting the property data collection to the Property Data API. See Value Acceptance + Property Data for specific requirements. When a hybrid appraisal is reported on Form 1004 Hybrid or Form 1073 Hybrid and submitted through the UCDP, the appraisal will be scored by Collateral Underwriter (CU). All eligible loans with a hybrid appraisal receiving a CU risk score of 2.5 or less are eligible for enforcement relief of certain representations and warranties related to the appraisal value of the subject property (see Representations and Warranties for Value Acceptance for complete requirements and additional information). » On an exception basis, REMN will accept the transfer of an appraisal/appraisal alternative report originally completed by another lender.		
Appraisal Transfer	originally completed by another lender. Nall transferred in appraisals/appraisal alternatives must be sent to the REMN Appraisal Department for review. Note: The review by the Appraisal Department does not eliminate any investor requirements for supporting documentation on an appraisal. The report must be in the name of a lender; it cannot be in the name of a broker (unless acting in a Principal Agent capacity) or an individual. REMN Associates: Please refer to the Transfer of Appraisal policy on Homebase for all requirements and procedures.		
Appraisal Updates	Age of Appraisal or Age of Property Inspection > When a traditional appraisal is obtained, the property must be appraised within the 12 months that precede the date of the note and mortgage. > The age of the appraisal report is the effective date of the appraisal compared to the note date.		
	When	Then	
	Appraisal reports are more than 4 months old on the date of the note and mortgage – regardless of whether the property was appraised as proposed or existing construction.	Appraisers must perform and update which includes; - Inspect the exterior of the property; and, - Review current market data to determine whether the property has declined in value since the date of the original appraisal. This inspection and results of the analysis must be reported on the Appraisal and/or Completion Report (Form 1004D).	
	A property inspection report for a loan underwritten with DU is more than 4 months old on the date of the note and mortgage. Appraisers must prepare a new <i>Desktop Underwi</i> . Property Inspection Report (Form 2075).		
	Note: The inspection and the appraisal update (Form 1004D) <u>must</u> occur within the four (4) months that precede the date of the note and mortgage. Updating the Original Appraisal Report		
	If:	Then:	
	The appraiser indicates the property value has declined on Form 1004D.	REMN must obtain a new appraisal for the property.	
	The appraiser indicates the property value has <u>not</u> declined on Form 1004D.	REMN may proceed with the loan in process without requiring any additional fieldwork.	

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	Completing an Appraisal Update
	» Front photograph of the subject property must be taken when completing the Appraisal Update and/or
	Completion (Form 1004D) to validate that the appraiser has inspected at least the exterior of the
	property when he/she performed the appraisal update.
	» The original appraiser should complete the appraisal update; however, REMN may use substitute
	appraisers.
	» When updates are completed by substitute appraisers, the substitute appraiser must review the
	original appraisal report and express an opinion about whether the original appraisers' opinion of
	market value was reasonable on the date of the original appraisal report.
	» REMN must note in the file why the original appraiser was not used.
	REMN will allow the use of an origination appraisal for a subsequent transaction if the following
	requirements are met:
Appraisal Us	· ·
Subsequent	
Transaction	" The age of the appraisal mast be less than 12 months from the note date of the subsequent transaction."
Transaction	If the appraisal report is greater than four (4) months from the date of the note and mortgage, then an
	appraisal update is required.
	» REMN must ensure that the property has not undergone any significant remodeling, renovation, or
	deterioration to the extent that the improvement or deterioration of the property would materially
	affect the market value of the subject property.

Both the borrower and REMN must be on the original and subsequent transaction.

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Value Acceptance

- » For certain lower risk transactions, DU offers value acceptance, in which case an appraisal is not required. For loan casefiles that are not eligible for value acceptance, DU will require an appraisal reported on the appropriate appraisal report form for the type of property being appraised.
- In order for value acceptance to be considered, a prior appraisal must be found for the subject property in FNMA's Collateral Underwriter (CU) data.
- » DU will compare the address for the subject property to the property addresses found in CU. DU will use the information from the prior appraisal to determine if the loan casefile is eligible for Value Acceptance. In some cases, the prior appraisal may not be acceptable. For example, if a CU "Overvaluation Flag" was issued on the prior appraisal, or the appraisal could not be scored, that prior appraisal will not be used, and an Appraisal Waiver will not be offered on the new loan casefile.

The chart below describes transaction eligibility:

Value Acceptance Eligibility

Eligible Transactions

- » One-unit properties, including condominiums
- Limited cash-out refinance transactions:
 - Principal residences and second homes up to 90% LTV/CLTV
 - Investment properties up to 75% LTV/CLTV
- » Cash-out refinance transactions:
 - Principal residences up to 70% LTV/CLTV
 - Second homes and investment properties up to 60% LTV/CLTV
- » Purchase transactions:
 - Principal residences and second homes up to 90% LTV/CLTV
- » Loan casefiles that receive an approve/Eligible recommendation
- » Properties in high-needs rural locations, as identified by FHFA
 - Principal residences up to 97% LTV/105% CLTV (for borrowers at or below AMI)
 - Contingent on mandatory property inspection

Ineligible Transactions

- » Construction and Construction-to-Permanent loans;
- » 2-4 unit properties
- Loan casefiles for transactions where the purchase price or estimated value of the subject property provided to DU is \$1,000,000 or greater
- » Texas Section 50(a)(6) mortgages (a/k/a Texas Cash-Out Refinance)
- » Manufactured homes
- » DU loan casefiles that receive an ineligible recommendation.
- » Manually Underwritten Loans
- » Loans for which the mortgage insurance provider requires an appraisal
- » Loans for which rental income from the subject property is used to qualify
- » When REMN has any reason to believe an appraisal is warranted
- » Transactions using a Gift of Equity

<u>NOTE</u>: DU may offer value acceptance on a recently constructed property (i.e. new construction) when there is an existing "as-is" prior appraisal for the subject property. For example, an appraisal of the subject property may have been performed for a different REMN or borrower, but that loan did not close. REMN may execute the value acceptance offer when the loan meets all other eligibility criteria for the transaction. Furthermore, REMN may not exercise a Value Acceptance offer and must order an appraisal if one or more of the following applies

- DU was unable to identify ineligible criteria in the list above (e.g. Texas Section 50 (a)(6) loans);
- REMN is required by law to obtain an appraisal
- REMN is using rental income from the subject property to qualify the borrower; or
- REMN believes that an appraisal is warranted based on additional information REMN has about the property or subsequent events, such as a natural disaster.

NOTE: REMN may not exercise a value acceptance offer if an appraisal is obtained for the transactions

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Representations and Warranties for Value Acceptance

- When a loan casefile is eligible for a value acceptance or value acceptance + property data and is exercised by REMN, FNMA accepts the value estimate submitted by REMN as the value for the subject property. The property value REMN enters in DU may be based on:
 - The estimate of value, determined at the discretion of REMN, or
 - The borrower's estimate of value
- » For all value acceptance offers that are exercised, REMN remains responsible for the accuracy and completeness of all data that pertains to the property and project (if applicable) that is submitted to DU (other than the property value) and must warrant that the property is adequately insured.
- The following table describes the representations and warranties REMN must make ("Yes") if they exercise a value acceptance or value acceptance + property data offer. The table also identifies the representations and warranties REMN is not responsible for ("No").

	Representations and Warranties Related to			
	Value and Marketability	Physical Property Characteristics	Property Eligibility Including Condition	Condition with a recent disaster
Value acceptance	No	No	No	Yes
Value Acceptance + Property Data	No	Yes	Yes*	Yes
Rural High-Needs Value Acceptance (Appraisal Wavier)	No	Yes	Yes*	Yes

^{*}Includes warranty that the property is safe, sound, and structurally secure.

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[»] FNMA does not warrant that the estimated value provided by REMN is the actual value of the subject property. REMN may not make any statements to any third party (including the borrower) that FNMA performed any kind of review, appraisal or valuation of the property.

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Rural High-Needs Value Acceptance

- » In selected rural high-needs areas, Fannie Mae may a value acceptance through DU for certain transactions. This value acceptance may be combined with other loan products, such as HomeReady.
- The rural high-needs value acceptance offer will be considered for the following transactions only:
 - Loan casefiles that receive an Approve/Eligible recommendation from DU
 - Purchase transactions
 - One-unit principal residence properties (excluding manufactured homes)
 - Borrowers with income at or below 100% of the area median income (AMI); and
 - LTV ratios up to 97% and CLTV ratios up to 105% with a Community Seconds
- » The following are ineligible for the rural high-needs value acceptance:
 - Limited Cash-Out or Cash-Out refinance transactions
 - Second Homes and/or Investment Properties; and
 - All other transactions that are ineligible for value acceptance
- » The following requirements, related to the home inspection, must be satisfied for REMN to exercise the rural high-needs value acceptance. REMN must:
 - Obtain a home inspection to determine the property condition. The inspection report must be retained in the loan file and made available to FNMA upon request
 - Review the inspection report to verify the property condition. The content of the inspection report must be sufficient for REMN to determine whether the property is safe, sound and structurally secure. Any issues that comprise safety, soundness, or structural integrity must be repaired before loan delivery.
 - Obtain an affidavit signed by the borrower(s) confirming that they received a copy of the property inspection report, read the report, and were notified of any REMN-required repairs.
 - Confirm that the purchase contract contains an inspection contingency that offers the borrower(s) enough time to cancel the contract without penalty if they so choose, should the inspection reveal an issue with the property.
 - Confirm that the inspector has liability insurance
 - Use a professional inspector that meets the state license and education requirements for those states that regulate inspectors
 - NOTE: In states that do not have inspector licenses, inspectors that are professionally accredited members in good standing of a nationally recognized property inspection organization must be used. The national organization must require education, testing, and adherence to a code of ethics and to standards of practice.
- » Represent and warrant that the property is safe, sound and structurally secure and that the property is not in C-6 condition.

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For subject properties that may been damaged by a disaster, REMN must take prudent and reasonable actions to determine whether the conditions of the property may have materially changed. REMN is **Properties Affected** responsible for determining if an inspection and/or new appraisal is necessary to support this by a Disaster warranty. If a property is located in a condo project, both the condition of the unit and the condition of the building in which the unit is located must be assessed. REMN must use the following criteria when determining if a loan can be delivered to FNMA: If the property has been damaged and the damage does not affect the safety, soundness, or structural integrity of the property and the repair items are covered by insurance, REMN may deliver the loan to FNMA. In these circumstances, REMN must obtain documentation of the professional estimates of the repair costs and must ensure that sufficient funds are available for the borrower's benefit to guarantee the completion of the repairs. If the property was damaged and the damage is uninsured or the damage affects the safety, soundness, or structural integrity of the property, the property must be repaired before the loan is delivered to FNMA. These requirements apply through the end of the delivery process which is the whole loan purchase date. For DU casefiles with a value acceptance offer, REMN may exercise the offer as long as the above requirements have been complied with regard to property condition and repairs. This applies in addition to the standard value acceptance requirements. DU is updated periodically to incorporate zip codes included in FEMA-Declared Disaster Areas eligible for individual assistance. FNMA may also add areas impacted by other disasters or emergencies at its discretion. New loan casefiles for properties in those zip codes are excluded from consideration for a new value acceptance or value acceptance + property data offer. Value Acceptance Waiver Offers Following a Disaster: After FNMA has received an acceptable appraisal that was performed following a disaster, that appraisal can serve as the basis for a future value acceptance or value acceptance + property data offer. REMNs may exercise these offers in accordance with the requirements in the value acceptance sections. A value acceptance may only be exercised if: The final submission of the loan casefile to DU resulted in a value acceptance offer **Exercising a Value** An appraisal is not obtained for the transaction, and **Acceptance** The value acceptance offer is not more than four (4) months old on the date of the note and mortgage. The property is not listed for sale. Loan casefiles where value acceptance was exercised must include Special Feature Code (SFC) 801 at delivery to FNMA. REMNs may not adversely select against FNMA in determining which value acceptance offers to accept. FNMA may monitor REMN's exercise of value acceptance offers and delivery of loans to FNMA and may take appropriate measures if adverse selection is identified. For certain loan casefiles, DU offers value acceptance + property data - an option that requires interior and exterior property data collection to verify property eligibility prior to the note date. An appraisal Value Acceptance + is not required. **Property Data**

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Overview

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	The chart below describes transaction eligibility:	
Value A	Eligible Transactions	Ineligible Transactions
Value Acceptance + Property Data – Eligibility	 One-unit properties, including condominiums Limited cash-out refinance transactions: Principal residences and second homes up to 90% LTV/CLTV Investment properties up to 75% LTV/CLTV Cash-out refinance transactions: Principal residences up to 70% LTV/CLTV Second homes and investment properties up to 60% LTV/CLTV Purchase transactions: Principal residences and second homes up to program limits, LTV/CLTV up to 97% and up to 105% CLTV for Community Seconds Loan casefiles that receive an approve/Eligible recommendation Properties in high-needs rural locations, as identified by FHFA Principal residences up to 97% LTV/105% CLTV (for borrowers at or below AMI) 	 Construction and Construction-to-Permanent loans; 2-4 unit properties Loan casefiles for transactions where the purchase price or estimated value of the subject property provided to DU is \$1,000,000 or greater Texas Section 50(a)(6) mortgages (a/k/a Texas Cash-Out Refinance) Manufactured homes DU loan casefiles that receive an ineligible recommendation. Manually Underwritten Loans Loans for which the mortgage insurance provider requires an appraisal Loans for which rental income from the subject property is used to qualify When REMN has any reason to believe an appraisal is warranted Transactions using a Gift of Equity
	 Contingent on mandatory property inspection Note: When a loan casefile is eligible for value accep 	stance + property data and exercised by REMN, FNMA EMN as the value for the subject property. See btance for more information.
Property Data Collection	 The property data collection consists of a visual observation of the interior and exterior areas of the subject property. It must be performed by a trained and vetted property data collector and must adhere to the Uniform Property Dataset (UDP). This dataset consists of all requirement, conditionally required, and optional data elements for property data collection of subject property data including photos and a floor plan conforming to the ANSI Standard. See Gross Living Area in <u>B4-1.3-05</u>, Improvements Section of Appraisal Report for ANSI standards, the Property Data Collection User Guide, and Uniform Property Dataset (UPD) Specification for more information. After the property data collection is completed, it must be successfully submitted to Fannie Mae's Property Data API. Click here for more information about the UPD and the Fannie Mae Property Data 	
Property Data Collector	 API The property data collector is the individual who personally visits the subject property to perform the property data collection guided by an application on a hand held device developed in compliance with Fannie Mae's Property Data Standard. The property data collector must identify and communicate any safety, soundness, or structural integrity issues and significant items of incomplete construction or renovation. REMN Vetting of Property Data Collectors REMN must verify and be able to demonstrate that the data collectors are 	
	 Selected in accordance with Fannie Mae requirements, including the Property Data Collector Independence Requirements vetted through an annual background check, professionally trained, and they possess the essential knowledge to competently complete the property data collection. REMN must ensure that the data collectors are trained to comply with their fair lending laws and deliver accurate results unaffected by personal biases. To avoid conflict of interest, REMN must ensure that the data collector has no interest in or ties to the underlying loan origination transaction, participants, or subject property. REMN or REMN's agent must review the data collector's credentials and qualifications at least annually to ensure ongoing compliance. Evidence of the reviews must be available to Fannie Mae upon request. REMN must monitor and assess the work performed by the data collector through REMN's quality control program including prefunding and post-closing reviews. REMN must continually evaluate the quality of its property data collectors and property data collection. 	

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A lender may only exercise value acceptance + property data when the final submission of the loan casefile to DU resulted in an eligibility message for value **Exercising Value** acceptance + property data, property data collection is submitted to the Property Data API prior to the note date, Acceptance **Property Data** an appraisal is not obtained for the transaction, and the offer is not more than four months old on the date of the note and mortgage. the property is not listed for sale. When electing to exercise value acceptance + property data, REMN must include Special Feature Code 774 at loan delivery. The property data collection is only valid for 12 months from date of collection and must be performed prior to the note date. If the value acceptance + property data offer is lost due to changes in qualifying loan characteristics after the property data collection was obtained, in some cases it may be possible for REMN to provide the property data collection to an appraiser to perform a hybrid appraisal assignment. See Hybrid Appraisals for specific requirements. Alternatively, REMN may obtain a desktop or traditional appraisal report as specified by DU. REMN must represent and warrant that the property does not have safety, soundness, or structural integrity issues; **Property** Data does not have significant items of incomplete construction or renovation; and Collection with meets Fannie Mae's property eligibility requirements. **Needed Repairs or** To make these representations and warranties in the absence of an appraisal, REMN must examine Completion the descriptive information and photo exhibits from the property data collection to determine Verification whether the property meets the above requirements. When the property data collection evidences any items failing eligibility requirements, REMN may need to obtain a professionally prepared report from a qualified professional to confirm the eligibility of the property and if repairs are required (well, septic, foundation, roof, electrical, mold, etc.). If repairs or alterations are necessary to bring the property into compliance with Fannie Mae's eligibility requirements, REMN must provide satisfactory evidence and documentation showing the condition has been corrected or completed prior to sale of the loan to Fannie Mae.

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Use of Appraisal	» FNMA will allow the use of an original appraisal for a subsequent transaction if the following	
for Subsequent	requirements are met:	
Transaction	 The subsequent transaction may only be a Limited Cash-Out Refinance. 	
	- The appraisal report must not be more than 12 months on the date of the subsequent transaction.	
	 If the appraisal report is greater than four (4) months old on the date of the note and mortgage, 	
	then an appraisal update is required. See above section for requirements for completing an	
	appraisal update.	
	REMN must ensure that the property has not undergone any significant remodeling, renovation	
	or deterioration to the extent that the improvement or deterioration of the property would	
	materially affect the market value of the subject property.	
	REMN must be REMN on the original and subsequent transaction. Also, the original transaction	
	must not have used a transferred appraisal from another REMN.	
FNMA Analysis of	As a result of an analysis of Uniform Appraisal Dataset data specific to comparable adjustments, FNMA has	
Adjustments	eliminated the 15% net and 25% gross adjustment guidelines and has provided the following clarification with respect to FNMA's expectations for the appraiser to analyze the market for competitive properties and	
	provide appropriate market-based adjustments without regard to limits on the size of the adjustments.	
	» FNMA does not have specific limitations or guidelines associated with the net or gross adjustments.	
	The number and/or amount of the dollar adjustments must not be the sole determinant in the	
	acceptability of a comparable. Ideally, the best and most appropriate comparable would require no adjustment; however, this is rarely the case as typically not two (2) properties or transaction details are	
	identical. The appraiser's adjustments must reflect the market's reaction (that is, market-based	
	adjustments) to the difference in the properties. For example; it would be inappropriate for an	
	appraiser to provide a \$20 per square foot adjustment for the difference in gross living area based on a	
	rule-of-thumb when market analysis indicates the adjustment should be \$100 per square foot. The	
	expectation is for the appraiser to analyze the market for competitive properties and provide	
	appropriate market-based adjustments without regard to arbitrary limits on the size of the adjustment.	
Field Review	» If REMN is unable to obtain a revised appraisal that adequately addresses its concerns, a desk or field	
Requirements	review of the report may be obtained.	
	The review must be completed in accordance with the USPAP. Because the Scope of Work for	
	either type of review allows for a change of the opinion of market value for something other	
	than a mathematical error, the appraiser completing the appraisal review must	
	 be licensed or certified in the state in which the property is located, 	
	have access to the appropriate data sources, and	
	o possess the knowledge and experience to appraise the subject property with respect to	
	both the specific property type and geographical location.	

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Waiver of Project	Transactions Eligible for a Waiver of Project Review		
Review	» The following list describes project types that do not require a thorough project review		
	Project or Transactions Type	Requirements	
	Detached Condo Unit	A detached condo is defined as any condo unit that is completely detached from other condo units in the project. The unit may share no adjoining walls, ceilings, floors, or other attached architectural elements (such as breezeways or garages) with any neighboring unit. A detached condo unit may be in a project consisting solely of detached units or in a development containing a mixture of attached and detached units. Site condos in which the unit owner owns the detached condo unit and the land upon which the unit is built are a type of detached condo. The waiver of project review applies for new and established projects.	
	Unit in a 2-4 Unit Condo Project	Project review is waived for new and establish condo projects that consist of no more than four units.	
	Unit in a PUD Project	Project review is waived for units in new and established PUD projects, except for PUD projects consisting of manufactured home subject to a community land trust, deed restriction, ground lease, or shared equity arrangement. See Units in PUD Projects for requirements	
	FNMA to FNMA Limited Cash-Out Refinance	Project review is waived for units in condo projects for Fannie Mae-owned loans that are refinanced as a limited cash-out refinance with a maximum loan-to-value ratio of 80% (CLTV or HCLTV ratios may be higher).	
	Exception to the waiver policy: Other than the PUD requirements above, if the property is a manufactured home or the project contains any manufactured homes, such property or project is not eligible for a review waiver and must be reviewed based on the applicable manufactured home project review requirement.		
	 The following requirements apply property eligibility requireme the project is not in Condo Property the project is not a condo ownership project priority of common expense and when an appraisal of the property insurance requirements, and there are no unaddressed critics a FNMA limited cash-out re 	 priority of common expense assessments when an appraisal of the property is obtained, it must meet all applicable appraisal requirements insurance requirements, and there are no unaddressed critical repairs outstanding or projects with evacuation orders if the loan is a FNMA limited cash-out refinance. the project is not terminating and is not involved in insolvency proceedings (as described in 	
Ineligible Projects	 Regardless of the loan type, the project must be checked against both Fannie Mae's and Freddie Mac's ineligible project lists. If the project is on either list, the loan is ineligible. Depending on the reason, it may be possible to accept a project for a specific agency. For example, if Fannie Mae has a project ineligible due to their high concentration in the project, it would be acceptable to switch to Freddie Mac, provided the project otherwise meets all guidelines. In this example the loan must be locked instead to Freddie Mac The Operations Manager has the authority to allow the exception provided the reason is logical (such as the above example). If there is any ambiguity, the project must be elevated to a Chief Credit Officer 		

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Limited Review Condo Approval – Established Projects only

- To be eligible for a Limited Review, the unit securing the mortgage must be an attached unit in an established condo project.
- The following table describes the transactions that are eligible for a Limited Review.

Limited Review Eligible Transactions -Attached Units in Established Condo		
Projects (For		
Projects Outside of Florida)		
Occ Type Maximum LTV, CLTV, and HCLTV Occ Type Maximum LTV, CLTV, and HCLTV		
Ratios	Ratios	
Principal residence 90%	Principal residence 90%	
Second home 75%	Second home 75%	
Investment property 75%	Investment property 75%	

- » In completing a Limited Review, REMN must ensure that the project and subject unit meet the eligibility requirements described below:
 - The project meets the Requirements Applicable to All Properties in a Condo or PUD Project.
 - The project is not an ineligible project.
 - The project does not consist of manufactured homes. Note: Manufactured housing projects require
 a Fannie Mae PERS review or a Full Review.
 - No more than 15% of the total number of units in the project are 60 days or more past due in the payment of each special assessment.

Florida Condos	Attached Established Condo Projects		
		REMN Full Review (with CPM)	Limited Review
			Max LTV/CLTV/HCLTV
	Owner Occupied	97.00%	75.00%/90%/90%
	Second Home	90.00%	70.00%/75%/75%
	Investment	85.00%	70.00%/75%/75%
	Attached New and Newly Converted Condo Projects		
		REMN Full Review (with or without CPM)	Limited Review
			Max LTV/CLTV/HCLTV
	Owner Occupied		
	Second Home	Not Eligible	
	Investment		

Florida Condominium Overlays

The following overlays apply to Florida condominiums that are three (3) or more stories high and thirty (30) years or older (25 years or older if the building is within 3 miles of the coastline):

- » Evidence is required that the building has completed the required inspections outlined in FL SB-4D
 - If the building has not completed the required inspections, then it is ineligible for financing
- » If the inspection revealed a substantial structural deterioration and/or any unsafe or dangerous conditions, evidence that the required repairs have been completed is required, or the project is ineligible
- Evidence is required that the Association has completed the required structural integrity reserve study, and the budget adequately contains sufficient reserves
 - The monthly HOA fee should be consistent with the budget
- All projects subject to this overlay must be submitted to the Project Standards group for approval.
- » 48 hours prior to funding, the Project Standards group must re-verify that the project has maintained its approved status.

Minimum Property Standards

- Free standing stoves/ovens and refrigerator are not required.
- » Air conditioning is not required; however, if window unit is installed it must be functional or removed.
 - A conventional heating source is required and must maintain a temperature of 50° in areas where there is plumbing.
- » Floor covering is not required as long as the flooring does not cause a health or safety issue.
- » Cracked glass is not required to be repaired; however, broken glass that is a health hazard must be removed and the opening closed to the weather.

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Project In Need Of Critical Repairs

- » Projects in need of critical repairs are those needing repairs or replacements that significantly impact the safety, soundness, structural integrity or habitability of the project's building(s), or the financial viability or marketability of the project. Such projects are ineligible. Critical repairs include conditions such as:
 - material deficiencies, which if left uncorrected, have the potential to result in or contribute to critical element or system failure within one year;
 - any mold, water intrusions or potentially damaging leaks to the project's building(s);
 - advanced physical deterioration;
 - any project that failed to pass state, county, or other jurisdictional mandatory inspections or certifications specific to structural safety, soundness, and habitability; or
 - any unfunded repairs costing more than \$10,000 per unit that should be undertaken within the next 12 months (does not include repairs made by the unit owner or repairs funded through a special assessment).
- » Examples of some items to consider include, but are not limited to, sea walls, elevators, waterproofing, stairwells, balconies, foundation, electrical systems, parking structures or other load-bearing structures.
- » If damage or deferred maintenance is isolated to one or a few units and does not affect the overall safety, soundness, structural integrity, or habitability of the project, then these requirements do not apply.
- » Routine repairs are not considered to be critical and include work that is:
 - preventative in nature or part of normal capital replacements (for example, focused on keeping the project fully functioning and serviceable); and
 - accomplished within the project's normal operating budget or through special assessments that are within guidelines.
- » A project with an evacuation order due to an unsafe condition, either for a partial or total evacuation of the project's building(s), is ineligible until the unsafe condition has been remediated and the building(s) is deemed safe for occupancy.

Special Assessments

- » Special assessments may be current or planned. REMN must obtain and review the following information for each special assessment to determine if it addresses a critical repair:
 - what is the purpose of the special assessment,
 - when was the special assessment approved and is it planned (approved by the unit owners, but not yet initiated by the board) or already being executed,
 - what was the original amount of the special assessment and the remaining amount to be collected, and
 - when is the expected date the special assessment will be paid in full.
- » If the special assessment is associated with a critical repair and the issue is not remediated, the project is ineligible.

Inspection Reports

- » If a structural and/or mechanical inspection was completed within 3 years of REMN's project review date, REMN must obtain and review the inspection report. The report cannot indicate that any critical repairs are needed, no evacuation orders are in effect, and no regulatory actions are required.
- » If the inspection report indicates there are unaddressed critical repairs, the project is ineligible until the required repairs have been completed and documented accordingly. REMN must review an engineer's report or substantially similar document to determine if the repairs completed have resolved the safety, soundness, structural integrity, or habitability concerns of the project.

Documentation

- » REMN may need to review a combination of documents to determine if a project meets Fannie Mae's physical condition requirements. REMN is responsible for determining which documents are needed to ensure compliance with the requirements of this Guide. Some examples of this documentation include, but are not limited to:
 - HOA board meeting minutes,
 - engineer report(s),
 - structural and/or mechanical inspection reports,
 - reserve studies,
 - a list of necessary repairs provided by the HOA or the project's management company,

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	 a list of special assessments provided by the HOA or the project's management company, and other substantially similar documentation.
Comparable Selection (REMN POLICY)	The appraiser is responsible for determining which comparables are the best and most appropriate for the appraisal assignment. The source of the closed comparable sales utilized to establish value on an appraisal report must be from a Multiple Listing Service (MLS) entity. Click here to read the REMN Appraisal Review — Source of Comparable Sales policy.

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Property Flips	» FNMA does not have any requirements pertaining to property flips; however, prudent underwriting
	policies of REMN must be maintained.
	» Appraisal must sufficiently support appraised value increases.
	» Underwriter has option to require two (2) full appraisals.
	» File must be carefully reviewed to ensure that there are no issues with straw borrowers, identity-of-
	interest, property valuation &/or relationship of all involved parties.
Property	» Must be residential in nature as defined by the characteristics of the property and surrounding market
Requirements	area,
	» Must be safe, sound and structurally secure,
	» Must be adequately insured per FNMA guidelines for hazard and flood insurance,
	» Must be the highest and best use of the property as improved (or as proposed per plans and specs),
	and the use of the property must be legal or legal non-conforming use,
	» Must be readily accessible by roads that meet local standards,
	» Must be served by utilities that meet community standards (FNMA does not require that the utilities
	that serve the property be turned on at the time of inspection); and,
	» Must be suitable for year-round use.
Declining Market	» When it is determined the property is located within a declining market, REMN must ensure that
	current market conditions are identified and analyzed in the valuation process and described in the
	appraisal report.
Termite / Well /	» Termite inspection is only needed if required by contractor or by the appraiser due to evidence
Septic Inspections	indicating infestation.
	» Well inspection is only needed if required by state or local regulations or if the well is thought to be
	contaminated.
	» Septic inspection is only needed if required by the appraiser due to evidence indicating the septic
	system may be failing.

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Leasehold Estates

Eligible Property Types

- » 1-4 Unit Properties
- » Condos & PUDs
- » Manufactured Homes located in a condo or PUD project approved by Fannie Mae's Project Review Eligibility Service (PERS)

A loan secured by a unit in a project that is subject to a ground lease is considered a loan secured by a leasehold estate for purposes of this topic. For these loans, lenders must also comply with all legal and eligibility.

General Requirements

- » The loan must be secured by a first lien in the property improvements and the borrower's rights in the leasehold interest in the land.
 - Note: For loans sold to Fannie Mae with new leases entered into on or after Sept. 01, 2025: The
 fee estate must not be subject to any prior secured loans or other liens, unless the secured party
 or lienholder has agreed to recognize and not disturb the lease if it becomes the owner of the fee
 estate, as evidenced by an agreement recorded in the appropriate land records
- » The lease estate and the improvements must constitute real property and be subject to the mortgage lien.
- » The appraisal must meet the requirements in <u>B4-1.4-05</u>, <u>Leasehold Interests Appraisal Requirements</u>
- » The loan must meet the applicable title insurance requirements in <u>B7-2-04, Special Title Insurance</u> Coverage Considerations
- » All rents, other payments, or assessments under the lease that have become due must be paid.
- » The lease must not be in default under any provision of the lease and the lessor must not have claimed any such default.
- » The lease must be recorded in the appropriate land records.
- » The lease must be in full force and effect, and enforceable in all respects.

Lease Requirements

- » REMN must ensure all leases associated with the subject property, regardless of the form of the lease (including a master lease, sublease, or unit lease) comply with the requirements below. The lessee (or sublessee, when applicable) must be the borrower or condo/PUD homeowners' association (HOA). For manufactured homes located in a condo or PUD project approved by PERS, the HOA must be the lessee without any further sublessees.
- » Compliance with these lease requirements may be satisfied by:
 - separate agreement(s) incorporated into the lease (e.g., addendum, amendment, or rider), or
 - the project's constituent documents (project documents).
- » Note: For units in projects subject to a ground lease in which the HOA is the lessee, REMN must ensure the lease complies with these lease requirements unless the project has been approved by Fannie Mae in Condo Project Manager (CPM).
- » Regardless of the lessee, REMN must ensure the terms of the lease address all of the following:
 - The lease must have an unexpired term that exceeds the maturity date of the loan by five (5) years or more.
 - The lease must not preclude the borrower's membership or voting rights in the HOA, as applicable.
 - If the loan is secured by a sublease, a default under the master lease will not automatically result in the termination of the sublease.

The following table provides additional lease requirements depending on whether the borrower or the HOA is the lessee.

	Lease Requirements if the Borrower is the Lessee	Lease Requirements if the HOA is the Lessee
»	The lease must allow the lease for it (including the lessee's option to purchase) to be assigned, transferred, mortgaged, and subleased an unlimited number of times either without restriction or on payment of a reasonable fee and delivery of reasonable documentation to the lessor. The lease must not require a credit review or impose other qualifying criteria on any assignee, transferee, mortgagee, or sublessee.	No lease requirements relating to assignments, transfers, subleases or mortgages.
»	The lease may include the following restrictions, if applicable:	

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»	requirements related to Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for leasehold mortgages on tribal lands, including approval of BIA and lessor.	
»	limitations in accordance and compliance with Loans With Resale	
	Restrictions	
»	The lease must provide protection of REMN's financial interests in the	See <u>B4-2.2-03 Full Review:</u>
	event of a condemnation or similar taking proceeding.	Additional Eligibility
»	Note: If the lease provisions are silent or insufficient, REMN may rely	Requirements for Units in
	on applicable state law or other written agreement that provides	New and Newly Converted
	substantially the same protections.	Condo Projects
»	The lease must not include any default provisions that could result in	
	forfeiture or termination of the lease, unless the lease provides REMN with:	The lease or project
	 the right to receive notice of any lessee default under the lease, and 	documents must provide that REMN receives notice
	 at least 30 days, at REMN' option, to either cure the default, take over the lessee's rights under the lease, or commence foreclosure. 	of any lessee default under the lease not more than 30 days after such
»	Note : If the property is located in Maryland, it is exempt from this requirement if applicable state law provides for the registration of residential leases with the state and requires the lessor to send written notice of default under the lease to REMN at least 30 days prior to the lessor filing an action for possession.	default, and at least 30 days' prior notice of termination of the ground lease.
to b	e lease must not include any provisions that allow the leasehold estate be extinguished or otherwise impaired by any merger of title between lessor and lessee without REMN's prior consent.	No lease requirements relating to extinguishment or impairment of the lessee's leasehold estate.

Borrower's Option to Purchase Fee Interest

The lease may, but is not required to, include an option for the borrower to purchase the fee interest in the land. If the option is included, the purchase must be at the borrower's sole option, and there can be no time limit within which the option must be exercised. If the option to purchase the fee title is exercised, the mortgage must become a lien on the fee title with the same degree of priority that it had on the leasehold. Both the lease and the option to purchase must be assignable, together, subject to permissible restrictions noted above.

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Status of Property Improvements	Purchase Price of Land	
Already constructed at the time the lease is executed. Already constructed at the time the lease is executed, and the lease is tied to an external index, such as the Consumer Price Index (CPI).	The initial purchase price should be established as the appraised value of the land on the date the lease is executed. > The initial land rent should be established as a percentage of the appraised value of the land on the date that the lease is executed. > The purchase price may be adjusted annually during the term of the lease to reflect the percentage increase or decrease in the index from the preceding year. > Leases may be offered with or without a limitation on increases or decreases in the rent payments.	
Will be constructed after the lease is executed.	 The purchase price of the land should be the lower of the following: the current appraised value of the land, or the amount that results when the percentage of the total original appraised value that represented the land alone is applied to the current appraised value of the land and improvements. For example, assume that the total original appraised value for a property was \$160,000, and the land alone was valued at \$40,000 (thus representing 25% of the total appraised value). If the current appraised value is \$225,000, \$50,000 for land and \$175,000 for improvements, the purchase price would be \$50,000 (the current appraised value of the land, because it is less than 25% of \$225,000). 	

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	» Note: If the lease is tied to an external index, the initial land value manot exceed 40% of the combined appraised value of the land an improvements.
	Exceptions to Leasehold Requirements
	Leasehold estates granted by community land trusts and high LTV refinance loans secured by leasehold estates are not subject to the requirements in this topic. See Shared Equity Transactions for addition
	information.
Community Land	
Frusts	» Community land trusts are created to preserve long-term affordable housing by purchasing homes their communities, then leasing the land using a long-term ground lease to low-income and modera
114343	income families at affordable monthly ground rents. Eligible community land trusts must be nonpro
	organizations or public entities, such as state or local governments, counties, school district
	universities, or colleges. The ground lease includes provisions that require the continued use of t
	property for low-income and moderate-income families in the future.
	» Eligibility Requirements:
	» Borrower must satisfy eligibility criteria set up by the community land trust
	» 1-2 Unit Primary Residences
	 All manufactured homes are eligible. However, if located in a condo or PUD project, PERS appro
	of the project is required.
	 Manufactured homes must comply with all applicable requirements in this guide with the following
	exceptions:
	 As of the loan application date,
	The manufactured home must be affixed to a permanent foundation, and
	Unless it has already been converted, the lessor must have initiated the second s
	conversion of the manufactured home to real property.
	» Purchase, Rate/Term Refinance, and Cash-Out Refinance are all eligible, however the community la
	trust may limit the refinance.
	» REMN must document that the community land trust has approved a refinance and that the amou
	complies with the ground lease.
	» Ground Lease Requirements:
	» The term of the estate created by the ground lease must extend at least five (5) years beyond t
	maturity date of the loan.
	» The ground lease may include restrictions limiting future property purchasers to low- and modera
	income families and to limit the maximum sales price of the property.
	» The resale restrictions must terminate automatically on foreclosure (or expiration of redempti
	period) or deed-in-lieu.
	» Once any resale restrictions have been terminated, they may not be reinstated for subseque
	purchasers of the property.
	» REMN must confirm that all ground lease rents and other payments or assessments that have con
	due have been paid. In addition, borrower must not be in default under any other provisions of t
	ground lease, nor may the ground lessor have claimed a default.
	» LTV Ratio Calculation:
	» The LTV/CLTV is calculated by dividing the original loan amount by the value of the leasehold inter-
	and improvements reported on the property appraisal.
	» The sales price for the improvements situated on the land does not include the subsidy amount us
	to acquire the land, which means that a borrower will pay a lower purchase price for his or her hol
	(often less than the leasehold interest in the property). Therefore, the community land trust sales pr
	may not be a reliable indicator of market value for the leasehold estate.
	» When using DU, REMN must enter "Affordable LTV" in the Product Description field in the online lo
	application, which will result in DU calculating the LTV, CLTV, and HCLTV ratios based solely on t
	appraised value for purchase transactions (and not the lesser of the sales price or appraised value).

Example of a Community Land Trust Affordable LTV Ratio Calculation

Appraised Value of the Property \$200,000

Implicit Subsidy Amount \$50,000

The following table provides an example of a community land trust purchase transaction where the

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borrower's LTV ratio at origination is calculated based on the appraised value.

	Sales Price	\$150,000
	Maximum Loan Amount	\$150,000
	Original LTV Ratio	\$75%
	Minimum Borrower Contribution Required for	\$0.00
	Down Payment	
Additions without	» If the appraiser identifies an addition(s) that does not have the required permit, the appraiser must	
Permits	comment on the quality and appearance of the work and its impact, if any, on the market value of the	
	subject property.	

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Properties with	» REMN must give properties with outbuildings special consideration in the appraisal report review to		
Outbuildings	ensure that the property is residential in nature. Descriptions of outbuildings should be reported in the		
	Improvements and Sales Comparison	Approach sections of the appraisal report form.	
	Type of Outbuilding	Acceptability	
	Minimum outbuildings, such as small	The appraiser must demonstrate through the use of	
	barns or stables that are of relatively comparable sales with similar amenities that the improvements		
	insignificant value in relation to the total are typical of other residential properties in the subject area for		
	appraised value of the subject property. which an active, viable residential market exists.		
	An atypical minimal outbuilding.	The property is acceptable provided the appraiser's analysis	
		reflects little or no contributory value for it.	
	Significant outbuildings, such as silos, The presence of the outbuildings may indicate that the property		
	large barns, storage bars or facilities for is agricultural in nature. REMN must determine whether the		
	farm-type animals. property is residential in nature, regardless of whether the		
	appraiser assigns value to the outbuildings.		

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Accessory Dwelling Units

- » An accessory dwelling unit (ADU) is typically an additional living area independent of the primary dwelling unit that may have been added to, created within or detached from a primary one-unit dwelling. The ADU must provide for living, sleeping, cooking, and bathroom facilities and be on the same parcel as the primary one-unit dwelling.
- The following table describes the requirements for classifying an ADU:

Requirements

- Only one (1) ADU is permitted one the parcel of the primary one-unit dwelling.
- ADU's are not permitted with a 2-4 unit dwelling
- The ADU must:
 - Be subordinate in size to the primary dwelling
 - Have the following separate features from the primary dwelling:
 - Means of ingress/egress
 - Kitchen
 - Sleeping area
 - Bathing area, and
 - Bathroom facilities
- The ADU may, but is not required to, include access to the primary dwelling. However, it is not
 considered an ADU if it can only be accessed through the primary dwelling or the area is open to
 the primary dwelling with no expectation of privacy.
- The kitchen must, at a minimum, contain the following:
 - Cabinets
 - A countertop
 - A sink with running water, and
 - A stove or stove hookup (hotplates, microwaves, or toaster ovens are not acceptable stove substitutes).
- An independent second kitchen by itself does not constitute an ADU.
- The removal of a stove does not change the ADU classification.

A borrower must qualify for the mortgage without considering any rental income from the ADU. Exceptions are considered for HomeReady mortgage loans.

Construction of an ADU

- » The construction method of an ADU can be site-built or factory-built. If factory-built, all designs must be multi-width and the primary dwelling must be site-built. If the ADU is a manufactured home, REMN must verify the following:
 - The property was built in compliance with Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards (established June 15, 1976, as amended and in force at the time the home was manufactured);
 - It is attached to a permanent foundation system in accordance with the manufacturer's requirements for anchoring, support, stability, and maintenance;
 - The foundation system must be appropriate for the soil conditions for the site and meet local and state codes:
 - It is encumbered by the mortgage with the primary dwelling; and
 - Additional requirements that appear in HUD regulations in 24 C.F.R. Part 3280.
- » Compliance with these standards will be evidenced by photos of either the HUD Data Plate or HUD Certification Label (or both) in the appraisal. If the original or alternative documentation cannot be obtained for either Data Plate/Compliance Certificate or HUD Certification Label, the loan is not eligible for delivery to Fannie Mae.

Examples of ADU's

- » Examples of ADU's include, but are not limited to:
 - A living area over a garage,
 - A living area in a basement,
 - A small addition to the primary dwelling, or
 - A manufactured home (if it is a real property)
- » Whether a property is defined as a 1-unit property with an accessory unit or a 2-4 unit property will be based on the characteristics of the property, which may include, but are not limited to, the existence of separate utility meter(s), a unique postal address, and whether the unit can be legally rented. The

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appraiser must determine compliance with this definition as part of the analysis in the Highest and Best Use section of the appraisal.

Zoning for an ADU

- » Some ADU's predate the adoption of the local zoning ordinance and therefore be classified as legal nonconforming. An ADU should always be considered legal if it is allowed under the current zoning code for the subject property.
- » If it is determined that the property contains an ADU that is not allowed under zoning (where an ADU is not allowed under any circumstance), the property is eligible under the following additional conditions:
 - REMN confirms that the existence will not jeopardize any future property insurance claim that might need to be filed for the property.
 - The appraisal requirements related to zoning for an ADU are met (see below).

ADU – Improvement Section of the Appraisal Report

- When reporting the living area of an ADU, it should not be included with the Gross Living Area calculation of the primary dwelling. It should be reported and adjusted for on a separate line in the grid, unless the ADU is contained within or part of the primary dwelling with interior access and above grade. If a standalone structure does not meet the ADU minimum requirements, it should be treated as an ancillary structure and included as a separate line item in the sales comparison approach then adjusted based on its contributory value to the subject property.
- » Whether the property is a one-unit property with an accessory unit or a two-to-four unit property will be based on the characteristics of the property, which may include, but are not limited to, the existence of separate utilities, a unique postal address and whether the unit can be legally rented.
- » The appraiser must determine compliance with this definition as part of the analysis in the Highest and Best Use section of the appraisal. When there is an ADU, the appraisal report must include a description of the ADU and analysis of any effect it has on the marketability of the subject property. The appraisal report must demonstrate that the improvements are acceptable for the market. An aged settled sale will qualify as a comparable, and an active listing or under contract sale will qualify as a supplemental exhibit to show marketability.
- » If it is determined that the property contains an accessory dwelling that does not comply with zoning, the property is eligible under the following additional conditions:
 - REMN confirms that the existence will not jeopardize any future hazard insurance claim that might need to be filed for the property.
 - The illegal use conforms to the subject neighborhood and to the market.
 - The property is appraised based upon its current use.
 - The appraisal must report that the improvements represent a use that does not comply with zoning ("illegal" use)
 - The appraisal report must demonstrate that the improvements are typical for the market through an analysis of at least three (3) comparable properties that have the same non-compliant zoning use. Aged settled sale(s) with the same non-compliant zoning use are acceptable if recent sales are not available. At a minimum, the appraisal report must include a total of three (3) settled sales (See B4-1.3-04 Site Section of the Appraisal Report in Fannie Mae Selling Guide for subject property zoning information).

Multiple Parcels

- » Each parcel must be conveyed in its entirety.
- » Parcels must be adjoined to the other, unless they comply with the following exception.
 - Parcels that otherwise would be adjoined, but are divided by a road, are acceptable if the parcel without a residence is a non-buildable lot (i.e. waterfront properties where the parcel without the residence provides access to the water).
 - Evidence that the lot is non-buildable must be included in the loan file.
- » Each parcel must have the same basic zoning (i.e. residential, agricultural).
- » The entire property may contain only one (1) dwelling unit. Limited additional non-residential improvements, such as a garage are acceptable.
 - The adjoining parcel may not have an additional dwelling unit.
- » An improvement that has been built across the lot lines is acceptable (i.e. a home built across both parcels where the lot lines runs under the home is acceptable.
- » The mortgage must be a valid first lien that covers each parcel.

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	APPRAISAL, PROPERTY, SALES CONTRACT		
Escrow Holdbacks	» The maximum amount of the repairs is limited to \$5,000. Amounts greater than \$5,000 are considered		
	on an exception basis (requires Chief Credit Officer Approval).		
	» Escrow Holdbacks on bond loans are not permitted.		
	» Repairs <u>cannot</u> impact the habitability or safety of the subject property.		
	» An estimate from a licensed contractor (or other qualified professional) listing all repairs required.		
	» REMN will hold 1.5 times the amount of the estimate in an escrow account. On an exception basis,		
	the amount may be held by the Settlement Agent (requires Chief Credit Officer approval). The		
	borrower must use their own funds (or approved gift) to establish the escrow account and complete		
	the repairs. Consequently, they must verify assets of 2.5 times the amount of the estimate in addition		
	to those assets needed for the down payment and closing costs.		
	» The repairs are not paid for with the funds in the escrow account, the borrower must pay for the		
	repairs directly.		
	» The repairs must be completed within 14 calendar days of loan disbursement - and the final inspection		
	within 72 hours of completion.		
	» The underwriter must approve the escrow request, list it as a closing condition of loan approval &		
	properly complete the repair escrow form.		
	» If the request is made, the loan must be re-disclosed within 72 hours of the request as a "changed		
	circumstances" and a final inspection fee added to the LE.		
	» The underwriter is responsible for having the escrow agreement completed by an UW Team Lead and		
	sent to the closing table to be executed.		
	» Upon completion of the repairs, the borrower may contract reno@remn.com to schedule a final		
	inspection and with questions regarding release of escrow funds.		
Days off Market	» Subject property must not be currently listed for sale. It must be taken off the market prior to		
Properties Listed	disbursement date on the new loan and borrowers' must confirm their intent to occupy the subject		
for Sale Past 12	property (for principal residence transactions).		
Months	» For maximum allowable LTV/CLTV/HCLTV ratios and credit score requirements for cash-out refinance		
	transactions refer to the Eligibility Matrix.		
	transaction rate to the <u>Englandy matrix</u>		

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Properties with Solar Panels

The ownership and debt financing structures commonly found with solar panels are key to determining whether the panels are third-party owned, personal property of the homeowner, or a fixture to the real estate. Common ownership or financing structures include:

- » Borrower-owned panels,
- » Leasing agreements,
- Separately financed solar panels (where the panels serve as collateral for debt distinct from an existing mortgage); or
- » Power purchase agreements

FNMA will purchase or securitize a mortgage loan on a property with solar panels. If the borrower is, or will be, the owner of the solar panels (meaning the panels were a cash purchase, were included in the home purchase price, were otherwise financed and repaid in full, or are secured by the existing first mortgage), standard eligibility requirements apply (for example, appraisal, insurance and title).

Properties with solar panels and other energy efficient items financed with a PACE loan are not eligible for delivery to FNMA if the PACE loan is not paid inf full prior to or at closing.

REMN is responsible for determining the ownership and any financing structure of the subject property's solar panels in order to properly underwrite the loan and maintain first-lien position of the mortgage. When financing is involved, this determination may be made by evaluating the borrower's credit report for solar-related debt and by asking the borrower for a copy of all related documentation for the loan. The title report must also be reviewed to determine if the related debt is reflected in the land records associated with the subject property. If insufficient documentation is available and the ownership status of the panels is unclear, no value for the panels may be attributed to the property value on the appraisal unless a UCC "personal property" search is obtained that confirms the solar panels are not claimed as collateral by any non-mortgage REMN.

» <u>NOTE</u>: A Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) financing statement that covers personal property and is not intended as a "fixture filing" must be filed in the office identified in the relevant state's adopted version of the UCC.

REMN is responsible for ensuring the appraiser has accurate information about the ownership structure of the solar panels and that the appraisal appropriately addresses any impact to the property's value. Separately financed solar panels must not contribute to the value of the property unless the related documents indicate the panels cannot be repossessed in the event of default on the associated financing. Any contributory value for owned or financial solar panels must comply with *Energy Efficient Improvements* criteria in Fannie Mae Selling Guide (B4-1.3-05, Improvements Section of the Appraisal Report).

The following table summarizes some of the specific underwriting criteria that must be applied depending on the details of any non-mortgage financing for the solar panels.

If the solar panels are	Then REMN must
Financed and collateralized – the solar panels are collateral for the separate debt used to purchase the panels, but they are a fixture to the real estate because a UCC fixture filing* has been filed for the panels in the real estate records.	 Obtain and review the credit report, title report, appraisal, and/or UCC fixture filing*, related promissory note and related security agreement that reflect the terms of the secured loan; Include the debt obligation in the DTI calculation Provided that the panels cannot be repossessed for default on the financing terms, instruct the appraiser to consider the solar panels in the value of the property (based on standard appraisal requirements); and
	 Include the solar panels in other debt secured by the real estate in the CLTV calculation because a UCC fixture filing* is of record in the land records. NOTE: If a UCC fixture filing* is in the land records as a priority senior to the mortgage loan, it must be subordinated.
Financed and collateralized – the solar panels are reported to be collateral for separate (non-mortgage) debt used to purchase the panels, but do not appear on the title report.	 Obtain and review documentation sufficient to confirm the terms of the secured loan (such as copies of the credit report, title report, any UCC financing statement, related promissory note or related security agreement); Include the debt obligation in the DTI calculation

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_	Instruct the appraiser not to provide contributory
	value of the solar panels towards the appraised value
	because the panels are collateral for another debt;

- Not include the panels in the LTV calculation; and
- Not include the debt in the other debt secured by the real estate in the CLTV calculation since the security agreement or any UCC financing statement treat the panels as personal property not affixed to the home.

*A fixture filing is a UCC-1 financing statement authorized and made in accordance with the UCC adopted in the state in which the related real property is located. It covers property that is, or will be, affixed to improvements to such real property. It contains both a description of the collateral that is, or is to be, affixed to that such property, and a description of such real property. It is filed in the same office that mortgages are recorded under the law of the state in which the real property is located. Filing in the land records provides notice to third parties, including title insurance companies, of the existence and perfection of a security interest in the fixture. If properly filed, the security interest in the described fixture has priority over the lien of a subsequently recorded mortgage.

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Properties with Solar Panels (cont'd)

If the solar panels are leased from or owned by a third party under a power purchase agreement or other similar arrangement, the following requirements apply (whether to the original agreement or as subsequently amended):

- » Copies of the lease or power purchase agreement must be obtained and reviewed
- » The value of the solar panels cannot be included in the appraised value of the property.
- » The property must maintain access to an alternate source of electric power that meets community standards
- » The monthly lease payment must be included in the debt-to-income (DTI) ratio calculation, unless the lease is structured to:
 - provide delivery of a specific amount of energy at a fixed payment during a given period, and
 - has a production guarantee that compensates the borrower on a prorated basis in the event the solar panels fail to meet the energy output required for in the lease for that period.
 - Payments under power purchase agreements where the payment is calculated solely based on the energy produced and used may be excluded from the DTI ratio.
- » The value of the solar panels must not be included in the LTV ratio calculation, even if a precautionary UCC filing is recorded because the documented lease or power purchase agreement status takes priority
 - Note: A "precautionary" UCC filing is one that lessors often file to put third parties on notice of their claimed ownership interest in the property described in it. When the only property described in the UCC filing as collateral is the solar equipment covered by the lease or power purchase agreement, and not the home or underlying land, such a precautionary UCC filing is acceptable (and a minor impediment to title), as long as the loan is underwritten in accordance with this topic.
- » The value of the solar panels must not be included in other debt secured by real estate in the CLTV ratio calculation because the documented lease or power purchase agreement status takes priority.
- » The lease or a power purchase agreement must indicate that:
 - Any damage that occurs as a result of installation, malfunction, manufacturing defect, or
 the removal of the solar panels is the responsibility of the owner of the equipment and
 the owner must be obligated to repair the damage and return the improvements to their
 original or prior condition (for example, sound and watertight conditions that are
 architecturally consistent with the home); and
 - The owner of the solar panels agrees not to be named loss payee (or named insured) on the property owner's property insurance policy covering the residential structure on which the panels are attached. As an alternative to this requirement, REMN may verify that the owner of the solar panels is not named loss payee (or named insured) on the property owner's property insurance policy; and
 - In the event of foreclosure, REMN as REMN has the discretion to either:
 - terminate the lease/agreement and require the third-party owner to remove the equipment;
 - become, without payment of any transfer or similar fee, the beneficiary of the borrower's lease/agreement with the third party; or
 - enter into a new lease/agreement with the third party, under terms no less favorable then the prior owner.
- » Any exceptions to coverage on the title insurance policy for recorded instruments relating to the solar panels must comply with Fannie Mae requirements listed in Section B7-2-05, Title Exceptions and Impediments of the FNMA Selling Guide.
- » The title cannot reflect any liens related to the ownership or maintenance of the solar panels that will result in a lien superior to FNMA's first lien position.

Energy Efficient Improvements

Solar panels that are leased from or owned by a third party under a power purchase agreement or other similar arrangement are to be considered personal property items and are not included in the appraisal value of the property.

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Sales Contract -	
Electronic	
Signatures	

- A Sales Contract delivered to REMN which has been signed by the buyer using an Electronic Signature (or other copy/representation of the buyer's signature) is acceptable provided that:
 - The Electronic Contract process is managed by a licensed real estate broker
 - The Electronic Contract otherwise complies with all of FNMA's requirements
 - The Electronic Contract is true, complete, accurate, and duly signed by the parties
 - Any affidavits or other notarized documents associated with such Electronic Contract must be original paper documents signed with pen and ink signatures and must be notarized and stamped with a traditional notary seal (if applicable).

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	PROPERTY INSURANCE	CE	
	» Standard insurance requirements apply. Underwriters may reference the REMN Insurance Coverage		
	Requirements job aid for complete details on insurance requirements.		
Insurance	» In lieu of matching the mailing address with the subject address on an owner-occupied purchase, RE		
Coverage	will accept a letter from the Agent Stating:		
Requirements	 The company's internal policy does not perform to the company's performance in the company's	ermit the subject property address to be used prior to	
	the effective date, and		
	The mailing address will automatically change to the subject property on (or shortly after		
	effective date.		
	For Homeowners Insurance (including Hazard, Flood,	Wind, Hail, etc.):	
Mortgagoo	ServiceMac, LLC		
Mortgagee Clauses	ISAOA/ATIMA P.O. Box 29411		
Clauses	Phoenix, AZ 85038-9411		
	1 Hochix, A2 03030 3411		
	For Title Insurance and Closing Protection Letter (all s	tates except for New York):	
	Homebridge Financial Services, Inc., DBA Real Estate M	_	
	its successors and/or assigns as their interest may appe		
	99 Wood Avenue South, Suite 301		
	Iselin, NJ 08830		
	For Title Insurance and Closing Protection Letter (New	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	HomeBridge Financial Services, Inc. D/B/A REMN Whol	esale	
	ISAOA/ATIMA 99 Wood Avenue South, Suite 301		
	Iselin, NJ 08830		
		equately protected by flood insurance when required.	
	Flood insurance coverage is required when a loan		
Flood Insurance	 A Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), or 	, , , ,	
General FNMA	A Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) or Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)		
Requirements	» REMN must determine whether the property is located in an SFHA, a CBRS, or an OPA by using the FEMA		
	Standard Flood Hazard Determination form. All flood zones beginning with the letter "A" or "V" are		
	considered SFHAs.		
	 Note: If the subject property is located within a CBRS or OPA, flood insurance is require 		
	regardless of whether the property is local		
	» Flood insurance is not required on a principal or residential detached structure securing the loan if or servicer obtains a letter from FEMA stating that its maps have been amended and the structure		
	longer in an SFHA	t its maps have been amended and the structure is no	
	_	ce is required. For these requirements, the "principal	
	structure" is the primary residential structure on t		
	IF	Then flood insurance is	
	Any part of the principal structure is located in an	Required.	
	SFHA.		
	The principal structure is not located within an	Required for the residential detached structure.	
	SFHA, but a residential detached structure affixed		
	to the land that serves as part of the security for		
	the loan is located within the SFHA		
	The principal structure is not located within an	Not required on either structure.	
	SFHA, but a non-residential detached structure		
	affixed to the land that serves as part of the security for the loan is located within the SFHA		
	The principal structure is not located within an	Not required on either structure.	
	SFHA, but a detached structure affixed to the land	Not required on either structure.	
	that does not serve as part of the security for the		
	loan is located within the SFHA		
	Any part of the principal structure is located in an	Required.	
	SFHA.		

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Community Eligibility

- » If REMN determines that a principal or residential detached structure is located in an SFHA, but the community does not participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), the loan is not eligible for purchase by Fannie Mae.
- » If the property is in a non-participating community and a CBRS or an OPA, it is only eligible for purchase by Fannie Mae if it is not located in an SFHA.
- » Loans secured by properties in the Emergency Program of the NFIP are eligible for purchase by Fannie Mae with coverage equivalent to the NFIP maximum that is available.
- » The flood insurance policy must be one of the following:
 - o A standard policy issued under the NFIP, or
 - A policy issued by a private insurer, provided:
 - the terms and amount of coverage are at least equal to that provided under an NFIP policy based on a review of the full policy issued by a private insurer, and
- the insurer meets Fannie Mae's property insurer rating requirements

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		PROPERTY INSURANCE		
	» The minir	num amount of flood insurance required for most first mortgages must be equal to the lesse		
of:				
Flood Insurance				
Coverage				
		The maximum insurance available from the NFIP, which is currently \$250,000 per dwelling; or		
Requirements		The unpaid principal balance of the mortgage		
for 1-4 Unit				
Properties	Requirements for Project Developments.			
		pan is secured by a unit in an attached condo or PUD project and flood insurance is required a		
	described	I in <u>Flood Insurance General FNMA Requirements</u> , REMN must verify that the HOA maintains		
Flood Insurance	master flo	ood insurance policy with premiums paid as a common expense, unless otherwise indicated in		
Requirements	the table	below. Any part of the improvements are in an SFHA, REMN must verify that the HO.		
for Project	corporati	on maintains a master or blanket policy of flood insurance and provides for premiums to be paid		
Developments	as a comr	non expense.		
	» The follow	wing table provides additional requirements based on the project type:		
	Project Type	Coverage Requirements		
	Condo	REMN must verify that the HOA maintains a Residential Condominium Building Associated		
		Policy (RCBAP) or equivalent private flood insurance coverage for a condo building consisting		
		of attached units located within an SFHA. The only building that must be verified is the		
		subject unit's building. Fannie Mae does not require evidence of a master flood insurance		
		policy, provided the unit owner maintains an individual flood dwelling policy that meets the		
		coverage requirements of this Guide for the following loans or project types:		
		 units in a two- to four-unit project, and 		
		 detached condo properties. 		
		The master flood insurance policy maintained by the HOA must cover the subject unit's:		
		- entire building; and		
		 all of the common elements and property, including machinery and equipment that 		
		are part of the building.		
		The coverage amount for the building must be at least equal to the lesser of:		
		 80% of the replacement cost value; or 		
		 The maximum coverage amount available from NFIP per unit. 		
		If the master flood insurance policy meets the minimum coverage requirement of 80% of the		
		replacement cost value, but the per unit coverage amount does not meet the requirement		
		for loans secured by one- to four-unit properties, as described above, the unit owner must		
		maintain a supplemental policy for the difference.		
		If the commercial space of an attached condo is over 25%, coverage provided by the General		
		Property Form (or equivalent coverage) is insufficient. A private flood insurance policy, or a		
		private flood insurance policy in conjunction with a General Property Form policy (or		
		equivalent coverage) must be maintained by the HOA to equate to coverage requirements		
		for projects eligible for an RCBAP.		
		The contents coverage must equal the lesser of:		
		- 100% of the replacement cost value; or		
	5115	The maximum coverage amount available from NFIP.		
	PUD	REMN must verify that each attached or detached individual PUD unit maintains a Dwellin		
		Form policy or equivalent private flood insurance policy on the subject property. Se		
		Requirements for One- to Four-Unit Properties above for the required amount of coverage.		

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