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INCLUDING HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY (HFA) LOANS

Affordable Housing/HFA **Guideline Summary**

Effective: December 4, 2017

LOAN PURPOSE	PROPERTY TYPE	MAX. LOAN AMOUNT	MAX. LTV	MAX. CLTV	MIN. FICO DU® APPROVE/ LPA ACCEPT	MIN. FICO MANUAL U/W
		PRIMARY RESIDEN	ICE			
Purchase or Rate/Term Refinance	Single Family/Condo/Co-op	Base Conforming Loan Limit	97	105	620	680
			95	105	620	660
		FHFA Max	95	95	620	N/A
	2-unit	Base Conforming Loan Limit	95	105	620	660

AFFORDABLE HOUSING/HFA PRODUCT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS					
Affordable Housing	Fannie Mae HomeReady® Mortgage or HFA Preferred™, Freddie Mac Home Possible® Mortgages, and other Housing Finance Agency (HFA) or approved Affordable Housing programs must meet the eligibility criteria as outlined within this matrix and the eligibility standards as outlined within the Underwriting Guideline Manual.				
Submission Criteria	Applicable Affordable Program selection must be made in the Essent Online MI Ordering system				
LOANS WITH A VALID DU/LOAN PRODUCT ADVISOR RESPONSE					
DU/Loan Product Advisor® Scored Loans	For DU/Loan Product Advisor Approve/Accept Eligible loans and DU/Loan Product Advisor Approve/Accept Ineligible loans for LTVs 95.01% - 97%, where the ineligibility is due only to the LTV, or ARMs with an initial fixed term ≥5 yrs. where the ineligibility is due only to the ARM plan/type, the DU/Loan Product Advisor findings/feedback may be followed regarding: • Documentation Requirements • Credit Requirements • Debt-to-Income Ratio • Reserve Requirements • Borrower Contributions				

Credit Requirements Min Non-Traditional Credit Max Debt-to-Income Ratio Max	ocumentation requirements as per the Essent Underwriting Guideline Manual in. 3 traditional trade lines evaluated for at least 12 months for each borrower ax. 95% LTV; Max. 41% DTI; 2-unit ineligible ax. 45% DTI months PITI required			
Non-Traditional Credit Max Debt-to-Income Ratio Max	ax. 95% LTV; Max. 41% DTI; 2-unit ineligible ax. 45% DTI months PITI required			
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Reserve Requirements 2 m				
Borrower Contributions	1-unit: Lesser of \$1,000 or 1%; -OR- Borrower's min. contribution may come from gift funds per Agency guidelines with: Min. 720 FICO; Max. 41% DTI; no down payment assistance, subordinate financing, or grants with repayment 2-unit: 3% of borrower's own funds required			
ALL LOANS				
I oan Programs	Fixed Rate; 5 yr. ARM; 7 yr. ARM; 10+ yr. ARM 5 yr. ARMs qualify at the greater of the initial rate +2% or the fully indexed rate; 7 yr. and 10+ yr. ARMs qualify at the initial rate			
Seller Contributions Max	ax. 3%			
Subordinate Financing Mus	ust meet Fannie Mae Community Seconds® or Freddie Mac Affordable Seconds® requirements			
Area Median Income (AMI) Loa	pans must meet any Area Median Income requirements of the applicable program			
Homebuyer Education Loa	pans must meet any homebuyer education requirements of the applicable program			
Inclidible Products	terest only; loans with scheduled or potential negative amortization; graduated payment mortgages; onstruction-to-permanent			

NOTE: Please see the Essent Underwriting Guideline Manual in Rates & Guidelines at essent.us for full details.

Base Conforming Loan Limit denotes the currently effective general loan limits as specified by the FHFA for the contiguous United States, AK and HI. FHFA Max denotes the greater of the currently effective Base Conforming Loan Limit or the county-specific loan limit as specified by the FHFA for designated high cost areas.

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