

# FHA Catalyst: Claims Module Single Family Forward Claims User Guide

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# 1. Welcome to FHA Catalyst: Claims Module

FHA Catalyst: Claims Module is a web-based system that supports all claim submission functions for the Federal Housing Administration (FHA). As part of the Housing Information Technology (IT) Modernization effort, the Claims Module will streamline the process for claim submitters and FHA staff. Users can submit single family forward claims to the same location electronically, which eliminates manual errors, enables real-time case status updates, and creates a modernized experience through automation.

This document has been developed to provide users with guidance on how to use the Claims Module. Please refer to the Single Family Housing Policy Handbook 4000.1 for in-depth information on FHA policy, event definitions, reporting timeframes, data elements, and post-audit requirements.

### 1.1 Navigating the FHA Catalyst: Claims Module User Guide

The table of contents for this guide is both searchable and linked. Selecting any of the chapter titles or subheadings will take users directly to that section. Users can navigate back to the table of contents by scrolling back to the start of the guide or using the <u>return to table of contents</u> links at the end of each section.

This guide features step-by-step instructions to complete tasks in the Claims Module, utilizing numbered lists, bullets, and screenshots.

### **Step-by-Step Instructions**

- 1. Instructions describing how to complete tasks appear in lists.
- 2. Words that point to links or boxes that the user needs to select will appear in bold.
- 3. These instructions will describe how to complete processes using screenshots.
- 4. Screenshots may also include boxes, lines, and labels to show which part of the screen is important.

### 1.2 Understanding the Icons

This user guide features icons to alert users to important information, especially during step-by-step instructions. This guide uses the following icons:

- Contains supplementary information about actions that servicers take in the Claims Module.
- △ Contains cautionary information about actions; usually a clarifying statement to assist a user with execution.
- Indicates highly important information that is critical to an action.

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# 2. Getting Started

### 2.1 Access Information

FHA Approved Mortgagees may request access for a new user by contacting the FHA Resource Center at <a href="mailto:answers@hud.gov">answers@hud.gov</a>. Users will receive an email from HUD containing their username and a password reset link.

# 2.2 Logging In

- 1. Navigate to FHA Catalyst: Claims Module site to view the log in page via Google Chrome: <a href="https://www.hud.gov/FHACatalyst-Claims">https://www.hud.gov/FHACatalyst-Claims</a>
- 2. Enter your username and password, then select Login.

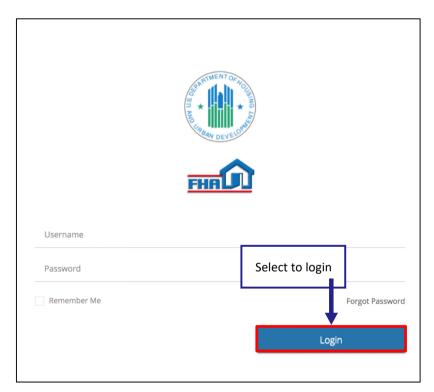


Figure 1: Login Page



# 2.3 Resetting Your Password

1. If you forgot your password, select Forgot Your Password?



Figure 2: Forgot Your Password?

2. Enter your username, then select **Reset Password** to reset your password. Password reset instructions will be sent to the email address associated with your account.

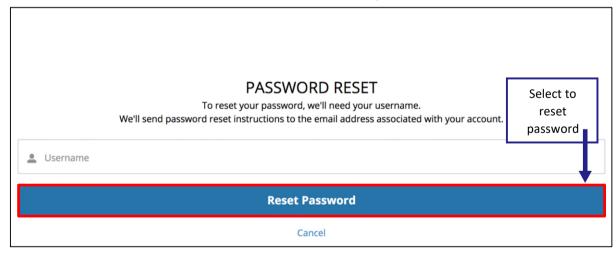


Figure 3: Reset Password

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# 3. Account Profile

# 3.1 Viewing Your Account Profile

- After logging in, you will be directed to the FHA Catalyst: Claims Module Home Page.
- 1. To view your account profile, select Account Profile.

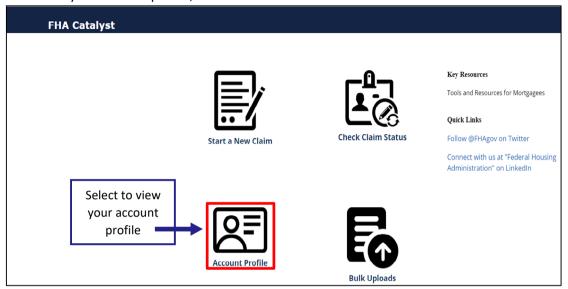


Figure 4: FHA Catalyst

# 3.2 Updating Your Account Profile

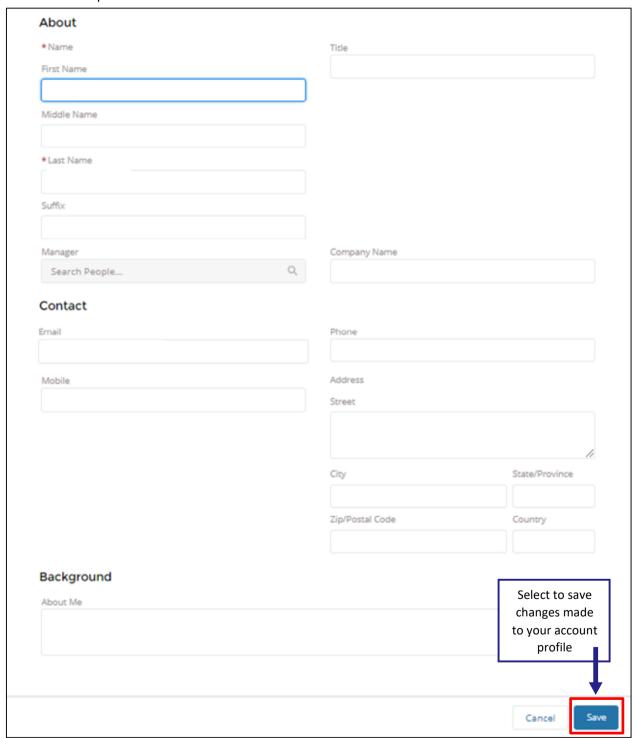
1. To edit your account profile, select **Edit** in the top right corner of the account profile page.



**Figure 5: Edit Your Account Profile** 



- 2. Update the fields you would like to change, then select **Save**.
  - A Required fields are denoted with a red asterisk.



**Figure 6: Update Your Account Profile** 

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# 4. Claim Entry and Submission - Single

# 4.1 Starting a New Claim

- After logging in, you will be directed to the FHA Catalyst: Claims Module Home Page.
- 1. To submit a new claim via single submission, select **Start a New Claim**.

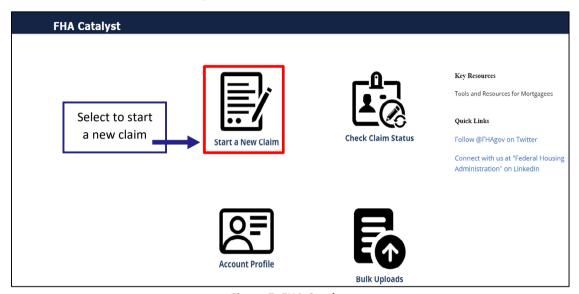


Figure 7: FHA Catalyst

- 2. From the Claim Initiation screen, select the desired claim type for submission and enter in the FHA case number for the claim.
- 3. Select Save & Next to continue.

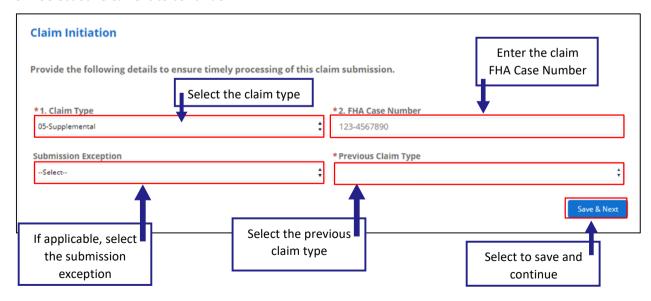
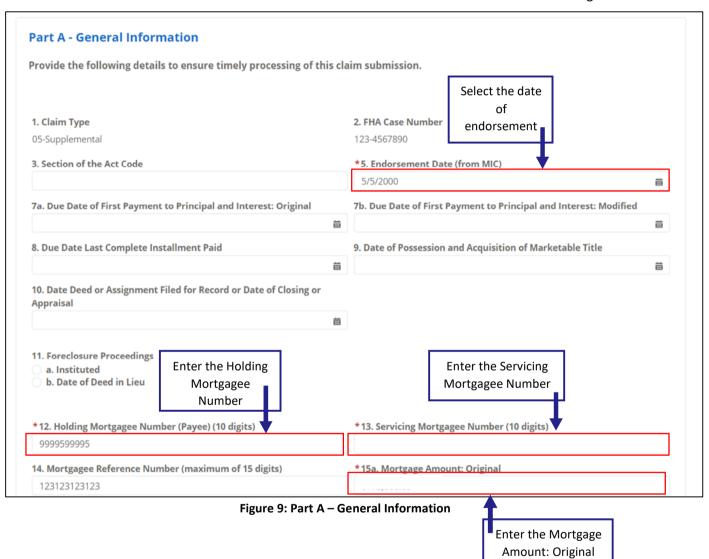


Figure 8: Claim Initiation Screen



# 4.2 Entering Information in a New Claim

- Each part of the claim form (Part A, B, C, D, E) is broken up into separate screens. Enter information based on what is needed for the claim submission.
- A Required fields are denoted by a red asterisk.
- △ Incorrect entries are noted underneath fields that must be resolved before continuing.



**1** Enter only positive values in the expenses for the claim – negative claim values are not accepted. If the expense is a credit to HUD, then use column A, deduction to the net claim amount.



- At the bottom of each page, there is an area to add mortgagee comments.
- Navigation buttons are located at the bottom of each page so users can navigate through the submission process. Navigation buttons do the following:
  - Select **Previous** to navigate to the previous screen.
  - Select Save & Next to save all information in the claim and navigate to the next screen.
  - Select Save & Close to save all information in the claim and return to the FHA Catalyst.
  - Select Cancel to return to the FHA Catalyst without saving.



• If Save & Next or Save & Close is selected without properly entering all required fields, a validation error appears and prevents proceeding to the next screen.

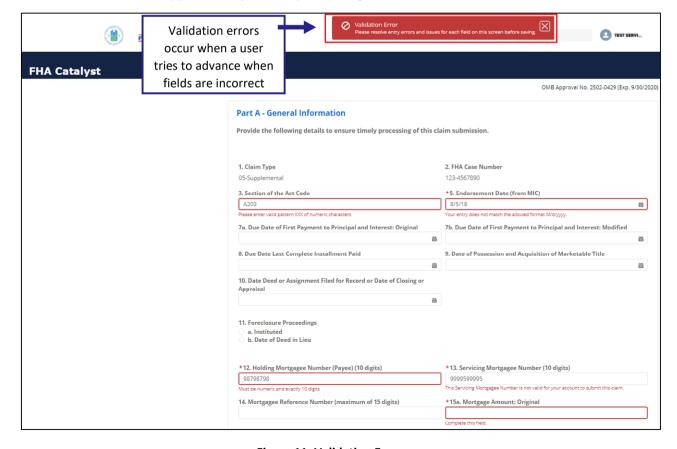


Figure 11: Validation Errors



- To create "repeaters" areas where the same information can be entered multiple times (e.g. 32. Schedule of Tax Information) users can select the **Add** button to add information multiple times, if applicable.
- For example, selecting 'Add 32. Schedule of Tax Information' will add another set of 'Schedule of Tax Information' fields which can be populated independently of each other.

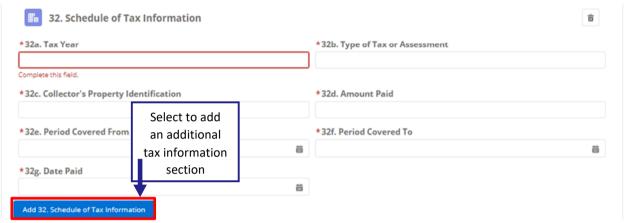
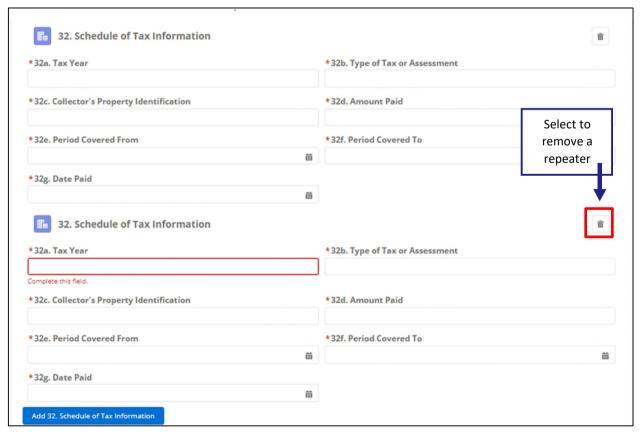


Figure 12: Adding Repeaters

1 To remove a repeater, select the **Trash Can** icon in the top-right corner.



**Figure 13: Removing Repeaters** 



### 4.3 Attaching Documents to a Claim

- At the bottom of each page, there is a prompt to attach supporting documentation for each part of the claim.
- 1. Select **Upload Files** to attach files or drag and drop files from the user's computer into the box.



Figure 14: Attaching Supporting Claim Documentation

- After attaching a file, a green check mark with a thumbnail of the document will appear, indicating the file is loaded and ready to be uploaded.
- 2. Once the files have been attached, select **Done** to upload it to the page.

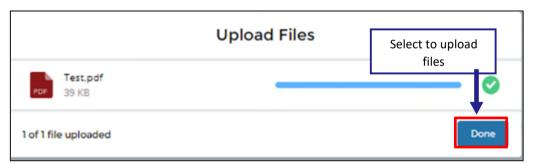


Figure 15: Attaching Supporting Documentation

- Once a file has been uploaded, it can be seen at bottom of the page.
- ▲ To download an uploaded file directly to the user's desktop, select the Download Icon.
- To remove a file that has been uploaded, select the **Trash Can** icon.
- ▲ To continue to upload more files, select the **Upload Files** button.

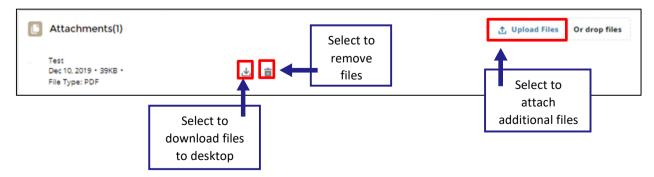


Figure 16: Uploading Supporting Documentation



# 4.4 Submitting a Claim

- After completing all the parts of each form necessary to submit the claim, select Save & Next.
  From there, users will be directed to a read-only page containing all information entered on
  previous screens.
- 2. Select **Submit** to submit the claim form.
- 3. The check box labeled "Ready to transmit claim to HUD?" must be checked to enable the **Submit** button.

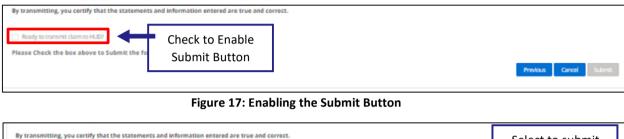
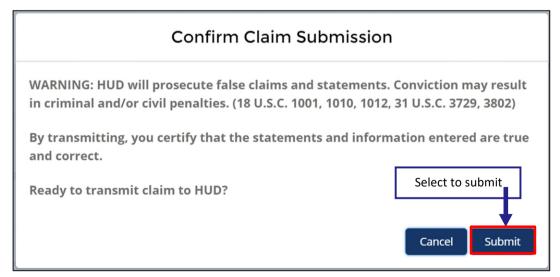




Figure 18: Submitting the Claim

4. After selecting **Submit**, a second prompt will open to confirm users wish to transmit the claim to HUD. Select **Submit** to complete the claim submission process or select **Cancel** to be returned to the read-only page.



**Figure 19: Confirming Claim Submission** 

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# 5. Claim Entry and Submission – Bulk

# 5.1 Submitting a Claim

- 1. Create the claim in your claim system, then export into an XML file.
- Enter only positive values for claim expenses, as negative claim values are not accepted. If the expense is a credit to HUD, then use column A, deduction to the net claim amount.
- 2. After logging in, users will be directed to the FHA Catalyst: Claims Module Home Page.
- 3. To submit a new claim via bulk submission, select Bulk Uploads.

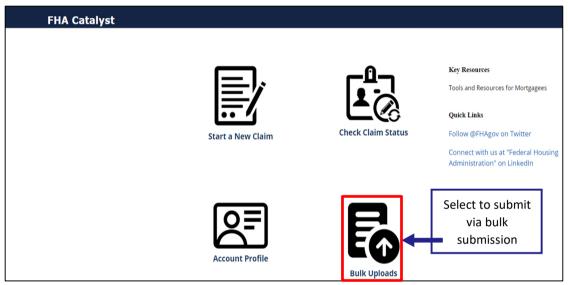


Figure 20: Bulk Submission

- 4. From here, users will be directed to the Bulk Page, which includes an option to upload new bulk cases and a view of previous bulk cases.
- The case status will vary based on where the case is in the upload process. Please navigate to Appendix A for definitions of each status.
- Note: this status is the XML file validation only and does not guarantee processing of the individual FHA Case Numbers within the bulk case.



Figure 21: Bulk Cases



- 5. In the Upload File(s) section, select **Upload Files**, open the desired XML file to upload for processing, then select **Submit** or drag and drop desired files, then select **Submit**.
- It may take a few minutes for the XML file to process.

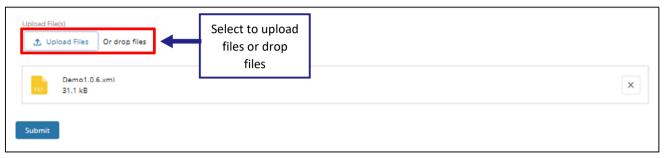


Figure 22: XML File Upload

6. After selecting **Submit**, a second prompt will open to confirm users wish to transmit the claim to HUD. Select **Submit** to complete the claim submission process or select **Cancel** to be returned to the previous Upload File(s) page.

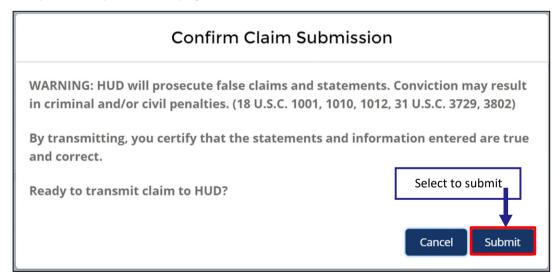


Figure 23: Confirming Claim Submission



- ⚠ After submitting the XML file, users will be redirected to the case information page with high-level submission details about the XML file.
  - On the Case Information page, users can attach documents, view related claims, and see bulk XML upload errors.
- ⚠ The case status will vary based on where the case is in the upload process. Please navigate to Appendix A for definitions of each status.
- 5. To view individual claims, select a case number in **Related Cases** or select the **Check Claims Status** on the home page.

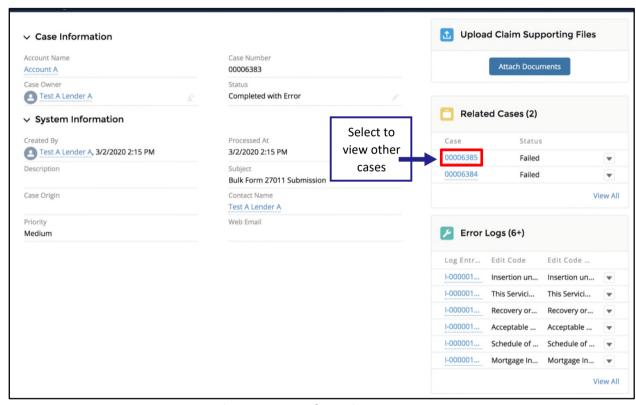
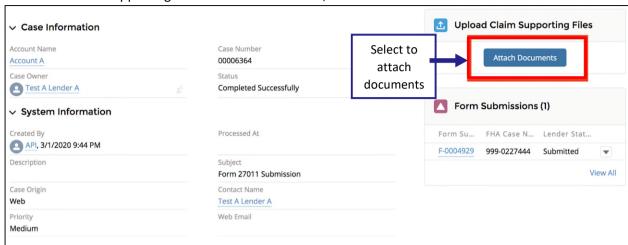


Figure 24: Case Information Page



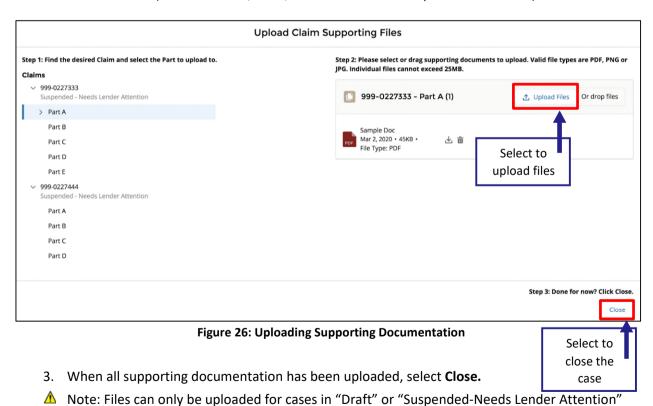
# 5.2 Attaching Documents to Claims

1. To attach supporting documentation to claims, select the Attach Documents button.



**Figure 25: Attaching Supporting Documentation** 

Select the claim and related form section requiring document attachment, then select Upload
Files to attach (Individual .PDF, .PNG, and .JPG files are accepted under 25 MB).



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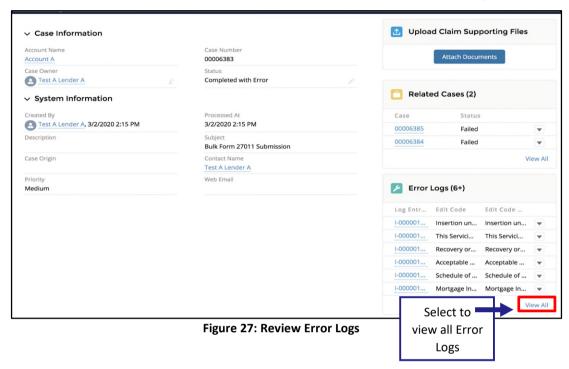
status. If the claim had no errors, the status will be "Submitted", and users do not need to

upload any documentation at this time.



### 5.3 Review Bulk Submission Errors

1. To review errors in bulk submission case, select **Review All** under the Error Logs.



• After selecting **View All**, users can view all errors associated with the uploaded submission. Selecting any of the IDs to view a more detailed description of each error.

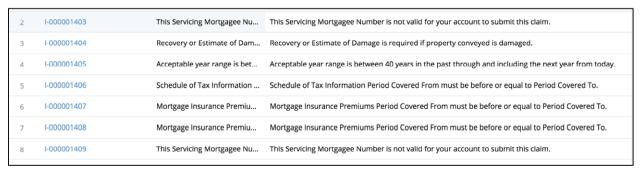


Figure 28: View Error Logs

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# 6. Checking Claim Status

### 6.1 Review Claim Status

1. To view a list of submitted claims, select **Check Claims Status** on the FHA Catalyst: Claims Module Home Page.

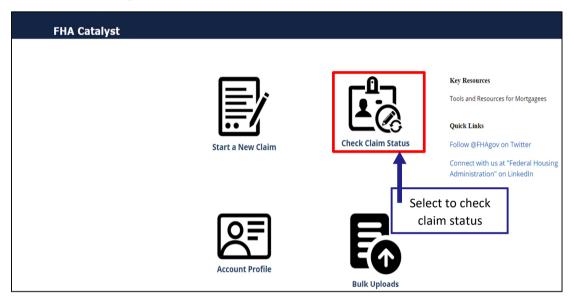


Figure 29: Check Claim Status

- After selecting **Check Claim Status**, users can view various filtered lists of submitted claims.
- **A** Each filtered list shows the following information:
  - Form Submission Number (Reference number)
  - Form Type (e.g., '05-Supplemental)
  - FHA Case Number
  - Mortgagee Reference Number
  - Lender Status (Paid, Submitted, Draft, etc.)
  - Date/Time Submitted
- To view a read-only version (Paid Lender Status) or an editable version (Non-Paid Lender Status) of a claim, select the **Form Submission Number**.





- ⚠ To update filter criteria, see the following:
  - Select the **Dropdown** icon.
  - Select the view containing specific claims (e.g., My Submitted Claims, My Paid Claims, etc.).
- To set a specific view as the default view for every time navigating to this page, select the **Pin** icon.



Figure 31: Changing Filter Criteria

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# 7. Getting Help

For further assistance, please contact the FHA Resource Center:

- E-mail: answers@hud.gov.
- Call 1-800-CALLFHA (1-800-225-5342). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may reach this number by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.
- Emails and phone messages will be responded to during normal hours of operation, 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM (Eastern), Monday through Friday on all non-Federal holidays.



# 8. Appendix

# 8.1 Appendix A – Bulk Case Status Definitions

Bulk Case Status	Definition / Next Steps	
New	Still in queue to be processed. Wait for system to process claim(s).	
Uploaded	Claims are uploaded. Wait for system to process claim(s).	
In Progress / In Validation	Claims are being validated for data quality. Wait for system to process claim(s).	
Failed	The XML that was uploaded is invalid. Read attached Error Logs and resubmit XML file after making corrections.	
Completed Successfully	All claims in the attached XML file were uploaded successfully. <b>Begin uploading supporting documentation.</b>	
Completed with Error	Some claims in the attached XML file have data quality errors. Read attached Error Logs and resolve individual claim errors. Upload supporting documentation for successfully uploaded claims.	

Table 1: Bulk Upload Status

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