



**TO: All FHA-Approved Mortgagees and Servicers;  
All Other Interested Stakeholders in FHA Transactions**

**NEWS AND UPDATES**

**XML Digital Signatures Requirement on Electronic Appraisal Delivery System Delayed**

Today, the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) announced that it will delay the August 5, 2019 implementation for XML Digital Signatures being required on all appraisals uploaded to the Electronic Appraisal Delivery (EAD) System, as described in [FHA INFO #18-46](#), until further notice.

In the meantime, XML Digital Signature Hard Stops remain eligible for automatic overrides. For complete information on the previously revised Hard Stops, review the [EAD Hard Stop Checks and Error Messages Fact Sheet](#). Additional information will be shared on the XML Digital Signatures requirement via FHA INFO in the near future.

**Quick Links**

- View the Hard Stop Checks and Error Messages Fact Sheet at: [https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/SFH\\_EAD\\_HARDSTOPSFS.PDF](https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/SFH_EAD_HARDSTOPSFS.PDF)
- Read the EAD General User Guide at: [https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/SFH\\_EAD\\_USERGUIDE.PDF](https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/SFH_EAD_USERGUIDE.PDF)
- Refer to [FHA INFO #18-46](#) and past announcements in the FHA INFO Announcements Archives at: [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/FHA\\_info\\_messages](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/housing/sfh/FHA_info_messages)

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**Resources**

Contact the FHA Resource Center:

- Visit our online knowledge base to obtain answers to frequently asked questions 24/7 at: [www.hud.gov/answers](http://www.hud.gov/answers).
- E-mail the FHA Resource Center at: [answers@hud.gov](mailto:answers@hud.gov). 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.

- Call 1-800-CALLFHA (1-800-225-5342). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may reach this number by calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

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