TO: All FHA-Approved Mortgagees, 203(k) Consultants, Direct Endorsement Underwriters, and Nonprofits

What’s New


Today, the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) posted content for its Other Participants sections of the Single Family Housing Policy Handbook (SF Handbook) (HUD Handbook 4000.1) for stakeholder review and feedback.

The draft Doing Business with FHA—Other Participants in FHA Transactions section contains information regarding eligibility, approval, and recertification requirements for 203(k) Consultants, Direct Endorsement (DE) Underwriters, and Nonprofits.

The draft Quality Control, Oversight, and Compliance—Other Participants in FHA Transactions section contains information regarding the quality control, monitoring, and enforcement of 203(k) Consultants, DE Underwriters, and Nonprofits.

These sections and supporting information will be posted for review and feedback on the SF Drafting Table on their respective web pages.

We invite stakeholder feedback on these two Handbook sections from January 21 through February 22, 2015.

It is important to note that the Other Participants sections of Doing Business with FHA and Quality Control, Oversight, and Compliance contain information pertaining to three, distinct FHA participant types: 203(k) Consultants, Direct Endorsement (DE) Underwriters, and Nonprofits. Depending on their interests, stakeholders may choose to review and provide feedback on all or only part(s) of the posted content.

Industry Briefing Call

FHA will host an industry briefing conference call for stakeholders and other interested parties to review the Other Participants sections, which include information on 203(k) Consultants, DE Underwriters, and Nonprofits.
Briefing Session: February 2, 2015  
Time: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. (Eastern)  
Title: FHA SF Handbook Doing Business and QC/Oversight for Other Participants in the FHA Transaction  
Dial-in: 800-700-7784; Access Code 351662

If your organization plans to have multiple attendees on the call, please consider hosting a group conference call as the number of individual phone lines may be limited. In order to maximize the time and value of all participants, FHA requests that you prepare in advance by reviewing the draft content.

Quick Links and Resources

- Go to FHA’s Drafting Table main page at:  
  - On the Drafting Table main page you will find links to the: Doing Business with FHA — Other Participants in FHA Transactions and Quality Control, Oversight, and Compliance— Other Participants in FHA Transactions web pages. Links to other supporting documentation will be included on each page.
- Contact the FHA Resource Center:  
  - Visit our online knowledge base to obtain answers to frequently asked questions 24/7 at www.hud.gov/answers.
  - E-mail the FHA Resource Center at answers@hud.gov. Emails and phone messages will be responded to during normal hours of operation, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (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 Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

About the FHA Single Family Housing Policy Handbook Effort:

FHA’s Single Family Housing Policy Handbook effort, which began in Fall 2013, is a multi-phased initiative to develop and publish a single, authoritative source for FHA Single Family housing policy using clear and direct language and an improved organizational structure. The posting of the Other Participants sections are a continuation of FHA’s overall Handbook effort.

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