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FHA Single Family Housing



NEWS

TO: All FHA-Approved Mortgagees and Other Stakeholders

NEWS AND UPDATES

**The Online FHA *Single Family Housing Policy Handbook* is Here
Now easier than ever to find, compare, and share Single Family Housing policy information.**

Today, the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) took another step forward in making it easier for mortgagees and other stakeholders to do business with FHA with the launch of the online, electronic *Single Family Housing Policy Handbook* (SF Handbook; HUD Handbook 4000.1). As of today, users can access the [SF Handbook](#) through HUD's Client Information Policy Systems (HUDCLIPS) web page that will direct them to the online SF Handbook on the AllRegs® online electronic policy platform.

Transitioning the SF Handbook from a portable document format (PDF) file to the new, online site will make it easier for mortgagees and other stakeholders in FHA transactions to:

- **Find** precise policy information, with an organizational structure that allows users to directly access specific sections and/or subsections. The online SF Handbook also provides search capabilities based on keyword, synonym, exact phrase match and more, making it even quicker for users to find specific FHA policy or requirements.
- **Compare** current FHA Single Family Housing policy with future effective policy. Within the online SF Handbook, users will see both existing policy and future effective policy updates, so they can identify and compare changes more readily.
- **Share** information—whether planning for operational changes within their organization, clarifying FHA policy among origination or operations staffs, or when working with FHA. The online SF Handbook includes enhanced features for sharing information, including emailing specific SF Handbook sections or subsections directly from content pages.

When FHA stakeholders access the online SF Handbook site today and in the coming days, they should note:

- Access to the online SF Handbook is **free**.
- The online SF Handbook launched today contains all of the information published with FHA's SF Handbook updates and additions on March 18, 2015, which are **now effective on September 14, 2015**. This is a format change only.

- The online SFH Handbook on the FHA-specific site contains only the SF Handbook’s published sections. Stakeholders will need to access current FHA policy that has not yet been incorporated into the SF Handbook on the appropriate pages of HUD.gov.
- The PDF version of the SF Handbook remains on HUDCLIPS, but will be removed on September 11, 2015.
- For technical issues and support using the online SF Handbook site only, please contact AllRegs toll free at (800) 848-4904.

Quick Links

- Access the online SF Handbook from the link on HUCLIPS at http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/hudclips/handbooks/hsg.
- Visit the SF Handbook page on HUD.gov at http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/handbook_4000-1 for general information about the SF Handbook.

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.
- 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 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 Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

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