



**TO: All FHA-Approved Mortgagees  
All Other Interested Parties**

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### **FHA Extends the *Single Family Housing Policy Handbook* Effective Date**

#### **June 15, 2015 Handbook Implementation Date Extended 90-days to Give Lenders More Time to Operationalize**

On April 30, 2015, the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) announced that it has extended the effective date for the policies contained within its new [Single Family Housing Policy Handbook](#) (SF Handbook; HUD Handbook 4000.1) from June 15, 2015 to **September 14, 2015**.

FHA recognizes that there currently are a number of competing initiatives occurring simultaneously in the mortgage industry that may be challenging mortgagee and other industry partner resources. For this reason, FHA is extending the SF Handbook effective date by 90 days with the expectation that this additional time will enable mortgagees and others to be fully compliant with the new effective date.

This 90-day extension is effective for all SF Handbook published sections. This includes:

- Updates to the *Origination through Post-Closing/Endorsement for Title II Forward Mortgages* section;
- *Doing Business with FHA—Lenders and Mortgagees* section;
- *Quality Control, Oversight, and Compliance* section;
- *203(k) Rehabilitation Mortgage Insurance Program* policies subsection;
- *203(k) Consultant* requirements subsection;
- *Appraiser and Property Requirements for Title II Forward and Reverse Mortgages* subsection; and,
- *Appraisal Report and Data Delivery Requirements* guide.

FHA wishes to acknowledge and thank the many mortgagees and other industry partners that have already readied their systems and processes for the original June 15, 2015 implementation date. FHA stands ready to provide any support needed to enable them to continue doing business with the Agency using current policies and processes.

### **Quick Links**

- View the Single Family Housing Policy Handbook (SF Handbook; HUD Handbook 4000.1) page on HUD.gov at: [http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/handbook\\_4000-1](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/handbook_4000-1)

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

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