

Servicing Guide Announcement (SVC-2024-02)

Mar. 13, 2024

This Announcement describes the following updates:

- Loan Modification Agreement*: updates the Loan Modification Agreement (Form 3179) with additional instructions in response to New York's Foreclosure Abuse Prevention Act and the instructional provision related to MERS
- Miscellaneous update:
 - Evaluation Notices*

View the list of impacted documents. No edits to the Servicing Guide text were necessary.

*Policy change not applicable to reverse mortgage loans.

Loan Modification Agreement

We revised the Form 3179 instructions to

- require the inclusion of two new provisions for mortgage loans secured by property in New York, and
- update the provision related to MERS.

Effective: Servicers are encouraged to implement these changes immediately but must do so for all *Loan Modification Agreements* sent to the borrower for signature on and after Jul. 1, 2024.

Miscellaneous update

Evaluation Notices: In Announcement <u>SVC-2023-05</u> we described updates made to the *Servicing Guide* to remove applicable references to the Fannie Mae Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP), as previously communicated in Lender Letter <u>LL-2022-07</u>, *Fannie Mae HAMP Modification Termination*. With this update, the instructional language related to HAMP and eligibility for borrower "pay for performance" incentives has been removed from the <u>Evaluation Notices</u>.

Effective: Servicers are encouraged to use the updated Evaluation Notices immediately but must do so by Jun. 1, 2024.

Servicers who have questions about this Announcement should contact their Fannie Mae Account Team, Portfolio Manager, or Fannie Mae's Single-Family Servicer Support Center at 1-800-2FANNIE (1-800-232-6643). Have *Guide* questions? Get answers to all your policy questions, straight from the source. <u>Ask Poli</u>.



Impacted Documents

Section of the Announcement	Updated Documents (Dated Mar. 13, 2024)
Loan Modification Agreement	 Loan Modification Agreement (Form 3179)
Miscellaneous update	<u>Evaluation Notices</u>