



Reverse Mortgage Loan Servicing Manual Announcement RVS-2018-04

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Reverse Mortgage Loan Servicing Manual Update

The *Reverse Mortgage Loan Servicing Manual* has been updated to eliminate certain servicer responsibilities for both HECM and Home Keeper® mortgage loans subject to a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure.

Simplified Deed-in-Lieu Requirements for Reverse Mortgage Loans

Currently, servicers of reverse mortgage loans are required to conduct inspections both before and after the borrower's execution of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure and submission of the REOgram to us. In response to servicer feedback and in an effort to improve operational efficiency, [4-04, Acceptance of the Deed-in-Lieu](#) has been updated to eliminate the requirement for the servicer to conduct a final interior property inspection within 15 days after the conveyance deed is executed, unless otherwise instructed by us. However, the servicer remains responsible for ensuring the property is vacant and in broom-swept condition at the time the REOgram is submitted.

Also, to simplify the process of notifying us that a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure has been executed for a reverse mortgage loan, [6-01-03, General Servicing Transactions](#) has been revised to remove eBoutique™ Action Code 20 (deed-in-lieu in process). Going forward, we will utilize the information reported by the servicer through the REOgram™ submission as notification that the property has been acquired through the execution of a deed-in-lieu. [5-01, Submitting the REOgram](#) in the *Manual* has been revised to reflect this change.

Effective Date

These policy changes are effective immediately.

Contact your Reverse Mortgage Loan Servicing Representative in Fannie Mae's Single-Family Servicer Support Center at 1-800-2FANNIE (1-800-232-6643) with any questions regarding this Announcement.

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