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703.02C Affordable Regulatory Agreement Restrictions

Guidance

To underwrite the Mortgage Loan as an MAH Property, the Affordable Regulatory Agreement restrictions should remain in effect for the term of the Mortgage Loan.

Requirements

When the Affordable Regulatory Agreement restrictions have 3 or more years remaining but will expire before the Mortgage Loan Maturity Date, you must provide support to underwrite to the MAH Preservation standards in the Form 4660, taking into account factors such as:

- restricted rents below market rate rents;
- the Property's history of operating as an MAH Property;
- the Borrower's history and experience owning and operating MAH Properties;
- the Borrower's intention to renew the Affordable Regulatory Agreement;
- the amount of time between the Maturity Date and when the Affordable Regulatory Agreement restrictions expire;
- market strength; and
- how the Property compares to comparable market rate properties in terms of occupancy, condition, and amenities if the Borrower intends to convert the Property to market rate rents and if no rent advantage exists.

See [Part III, Chapter 7: Multifamily Affordable Housing Properties, Section 702.01: Eligible Characteristics and Underwriting](#) regarding self-imposed restrictions.



Glossary

A

Affordable Regulatory Agreement Regulatory, land use, extended use, or similar agreement or recorded restriction limiting rents, imposing maximum income restrictions on tenants, or placing other affordability restrictions on the use or occupancy of the Property (whether imposed by a government entity or self-imposed by a Borrower per the Sponsor-Initiated Affordability Agreement ([Form 6490](#))).

B

Borrower Person who is the obligor per the Note.

Synonyms

- Borrowers
- Borrower's

F

Form 4660 Multifamily Underwriting Standards identifying Pre-Review Mortgage Loans and containing the underwriting requirements (e.g., debt service coverage ratio, loan to value ratio, interest only, underwriting floors, etc.) for all Mortgage Loans.

Synonyms

- Multifamily Underwriting Standards

M

Maturity Date Date all Mortgage Loan amounts become fully due and payable per the Loan Documents.

Synonyms

- Maturity Dates



Mortgage Loan

Mortgage debt obligation evidenced, or when made will be evidenced, by

- the Loan Documents, or
- a mortgage debt obligation with a Fannie Mae credit enhancement.

Synonyms

- Mortgage Loans
- Mortgage Loan's

P

Preservation

Renewal or continuation of rent, income and/or occupancy restrictions on multifamily rental housing eligible as an MAH Property, but

- is potentially at risk of being lost from the affordable housing inventory through conversion to market-rate housing, and
- is not receiving new LIHTCs.

Property

Multifamily residential real estate securing the Mortgage Loan, including the

- fee simple or Leasehold interest,
- Improvements, and
- personal property (per the Uniform Commercial Code).

Synonyms

- Properties
- Property's