

# Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide

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# Section 106 Certificates of Occupancy

## ✓ Requirements

Certificates of Occupancy		
For any	You must	
Property with construction or rehabilitation work completed within the last 12 months	<ul> <li>Ensure all units have a certificate of occupancy.</li> <li>Obtain copies of all certificates of occupancy from the Borrower.</li> <li>Retain them in your Servicing File.</li> </ul>	
Other Property	<ul> <li>Determine if each unit had a certificate of occupancy at some point.</li> <li>Attempt to obtain copies of them.</li> <li>Retain them in your Servicing File.</li> </ul>	

## Guidance

No Certificate of Occupancy		
If you cannot obtain	You should	
Copies of certificates of occupancy for a Property (for example, because of the Property's age, or the records of the jurisdiction where the Property is located)	<ul> <li>Exclude the income generated by any units without a certificate of occupancy, but include all expenses (including replacement reserves) for the maintenance of these units.</li> <li>Look for other evidence that certificates of occupancy had been issued.</li> </ul>	

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#### **No Certificate of Occupancy**

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Copies or other sufficient evidence of a certificate of occupancy

Analyze the risk to the Property if one had never been issued, by considering if:

- your physical inspection reveals any life safety issues;
- all units are accessible through normal access routes (and not, for example, through a former janitorial closet);
- the insurance excludes coverage of a casualty originating from a unit without a certificate of occupancy; and
- the Property is located in a market that exhibits low vacancies and barriers to entry.



# **Glossary**

### B

Borrower

Person who is the obligor per the Note.

#### **Synonyms**

- Borrowers
- · Borrower's

P

**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

S

Servicing File

Your file for each Mortgage Loan serviced.

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## **Synonyms**

Servicing Files