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Requirements

You must only underwrite actual income from occupied commercial space with an executed lease or lease extension agreement if the:

- remaining lease term is at least 12 months after the Mortgage Loan Origination Date;
- tenant is:
  - not an affiliate of the
    - Sponsor,
    - Borrower,
    - Key Principal, or
    - any individual or entity within the Borrower's ownership structure;
  - occupying the unit;
  - open for business;
  - paying rent; and
  - not delinquent on rent due outside the lease's cure period; and
- underwritten commercial income includes the actual commercial rent due under the lease within 12 months after the Mortgage Loan Origination Date, including any:
  - discounts; or
  - concessions.

Guidance

Your evaluation of any commercial space's viability should include:

- Appraisal sub-market comparable commercial space rents supporting the underwritten rents;
- sub-market data confirming a low commercial space vacancy rate;
- existing sustainable demand for the tenant's business type; and
- evidence that the Property's location has sufficient foot traffic to support the tenant's business.

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111.01 Material Commercial Leases

111.01A Lease Review

Requirements

You must analyze all aspects of each Material Commercial Lease and its

- tenants,
- grantees, or
- other beneficiaries.

If Material Commercial Lease approval is required per Part II, Chapter 1: Attributes and Characteristics, Section 111.01B: Lease Approval you must:

- prepare a written summary of the material terms of the Material Commercial Lease; and
- keep a copy of your summary in your Servicing File.

Guidance

As you analyze the Material Commercial Lease, you should consider if:

- each tenant has the ability to fulfill its financial and other performance obligations under the Material Commercial Lease;
- the Material Commercial Lease insurance provisions are consistent with the insurance requirements in the applicable Loan Documents or otherwise prescribed by Fannie Mae;
- each tenant is required to obtain the Lender's consent before the Material Commercial Lease is
  - assigned,
  - subleased,
  - subcontracted, or
  - otherwise transferred; and
- the tenant
  - has early termination clauses, and
  - understands the conditions under which they can terminate, including
    - a material casualty or condemnation, or
    - if the landlord cannot substantially restore the premises in a

reasonable period of time following a casualty or condemnation.

111.01B Lease Approval

☑ Requirements

Material Commercial Lease Type	
Lease with Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Financing	You must not approve any Material Commercial Lease that includes PACE financing.
Renewable Energy Generation Lease	You must only approve leases for renewable energy systems that comply with Part II, Chapter 1: Attributes and Characteristics, Section 112: Renewable Energy Generation Systems.
Other Material Commercial Leases	You must only approve other Material Commercial Leases that comply with Part II, Chapter 1: Attributes and Characteristics, Section 111: Commercial Leases.

111.01C Lease Modifications

☑ Requirements

As you review each Material Commercial Lease modification, you must consider if it:

- violates any of the requirements of this Section;
- contains terms that are inconsistent with the Mortgage Loan; or
- presents risks that are inappropriate for the Mortgage Loan.

If any of these conditions are present you must:

- require the Borrower to modify the Material Commercial Lease appropriately; or
- address the items in the Tenant Estoppel Certificate (Form 6413) and/or the Subordination, Non-Disturbance, and Attornment Agreement (Form 6415).

111.01D Tenant Estoppel Certificate



☑ Requirements

You must obtain a Tenant Estoppel Certificate (Form 6413) for each Material Commercial Lease.

111.01E Subordination, Non-Disturbance and Attornment

☑ Requirements

You must use Form 6415 if:

- the Material Commercial Lease contains provisions for the Borrower to assume liability or other risks as landlord that would be unacceptable to the Lender in case of a Foreclosure Event; or
- the form
  - is necessary for subordination and attornment, or
  - would otherwise be beneficial.

You must ensure that each Material Commercial Lease (including any renewal or extension):

- is subordinate to the Lien of the Security Instrument; and
- requires the tenant to attorn to the Lender under the Mortgage Loan.

111.02 Non-Material Commercial Leases

111.02A Tenant Estoppel Certificate; Lease Modification

☑ Requirements

You must make reasonable efforts to get a Form 6413 for each non-Material Commercial Lease, other than leases relating only to equipment or maintenance services.

If a non-Material Commercial Lease has terms that are inconsistent with the terms of the Mortgage Loan or present inappropriate risks for the Mortgage Loan, then you must:

- require the Borrower to modify the lease appropriately; or
- address any inconsistencies or risks in a Form 6413.

111.02B Non-Material Commercial Lease Types

☑ Requirements

Non-Material Commercial Lease Type	
Telecommunications and Cell Tower Leases	You must review any telecommunications and cell tower lease to ensure it does not: • comprise more than 5% of the Property's Effective Gross Income; • negatively impact the Property's - value, - visibility, - livability, or - marketability; • impose an undue financial or operating burden on the Property or the Borrower; • obligate the Borrower to rebuild any Improvements at the Property post-casualty or condemnation; • have a lease term (including extension options) in excess of 25 years; • contain a purchase option; or • convey any right to the tenant other than simple lessee rights (e.g., a perpetual easement, a purported sale of a portion of the Improvements, unjustified exclusivity, etc.).
Communications Service Agreement	You do not need to subordinate the service agreement to the Lien of the Security Instrument if: • the Borrower certifies to you that neither the Borrower, nor any Key Principal or Principal, is an Affiliate of the communications service provider; and • the lease does not contain provisions for the Borrower to assume liabilities and risks as landlord that would not be acceptable for you (as lender under the Mortgage Loan) in the context of a Foreclosure Event. If a communications service agreement is accompanied by a lease or easement, then the lease or easement must end automatically when the service agreement expires, unless the service agreement is subordinated to the Lien of the Security Instrument.

Non-Material Commercial Lease Type	
Mineral Rights; Oil and Natural Gas Leases	You must review each agreement or lease of mineral rights or rights relating to subsurface oil and natural gas to ensure that it does not: • comprise more than 5% of the Property's Effective Gross Income; • grant surface entry for any purpose (e.g., pipes, access across, or storage on the Property); • grant subsurface rights within - 250 feet below the surface of the Property, or - 600 feet from any Property boundary line; • have a material adverse effect on - public health and safety, - air quality or noise levels, or - the Property's marketability or occupancy; • permit oil or gas well activities with potential negative effects on the Property's - access, - visibility, or - storm water drainage; • have a negative effect on the Property's - zoning, or - allowable density; • facilitate drilling, storage, or processing of oil or gas on the Property or any adjacent property; or • fail to require the lessee to indemnify and hold harmless the Borrower, as lessor, for any damage to the Property or any other damage or liability caused directly or indirectly as a result of the oil and gas exploration or drilling activities. The Borrower must execute Form 6262 if a lease or deed reservation of rights allows for the subsurface exploration of oil, natural gas, or minerals, but no evidence of active or planned exploration or drilling exists on the Property.

Non-Material Commercial Lease Type	
Laundry Lease	You do not need to subordinate the lease to the Lien of the Security Instrument if you confirm that the lease: • is not with an Affiliate of the Borrower or any Key Principal or Principal; • has market terms; • contains an acceptable termination for cause provision; and • meets recognized industry standards.
Equipment or Related Maintenance Services Lease	You must ensure that the lease: • is subordinate to the Security Instrument; • contains an acceptable termination for cause provision; and • meets recognized industry standards.

Guidance

Non-Material Commercial Lease Type	
Storage Unit Lease	You do not need to subordinate the lease to the Lien of the Security Instrument if you determine the unit is being leased pursuant to a residential Lease.

111.03 Short Term Rentals

Requirements

You must ensure that:

- the residential nature of any Property with units available for STR is maintained, even though any Lease of an STR unit will be
  - classified as a commercial lease, and
  - subject to the space and income limitations per Form 4660;
- no more than 5% of the Property's units (not counting recreational vehicle sites) are available for STR; and
- the Underwritten NCF accurately incorporates all STR income.

You must include the following information in your underwriting analysis:

- Borrower's strategy for implementing STR;
- a description of the STR arrangement;
- length of time the STR has been in place;
- Borrower's action plan for handling liability issues for
  - STR tenants at the Property, and
  - safety concerns for non-STR tenants;
- if the STR units are furnished or unfurnished; and
- confirmation that the
  - STR is legally permissible and in compliance with applicable laws and zoning,
  - Borrower's or master tenant's insurance covers any STR, and
  - Property is residential in nature (i.e., not operated as a hotel or other single room occupancy arrangement).

Guidance

Examples of an STR arrangement include an arrangement between the Borrower and:

- a tenant/master tenant, where the tenant/master tenant has an agreement with an STR provider or platform (such as Airbnb, VRBO, etc.); or
- an STR provider or platform, where the Borrower's tenants may make their units available for STR.

You should seek to establish a leasing history of at least 12 months for any STR unit.

Glossary

A

Action Plan	Your report analyzing • the Mortgage Loan and Property issues, • your resolution strategy, and • related actions and outcomes. **Synonyms** • Action Plans
Affiliate	When referring to an affiliate of a Lender, any other Person or entity that Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with, the Lender. When referring to an affiliate of a Borrower or Key Principal: • any Person that owns any direct ownership interest in Borrower or Key Principal; • any Person that indirectly owns, with the power to vote, 20% or more of the ownership interests in Borrower or Key Principal; • any Person Controlled by, under common Control with, or which Controls, Borrower or Key Principal; • any entity in which Borrower or Key Principal directly or indirectly owns, with the power to vote, 20% or more of the ownership interests in such entity; or • any other individual that is related (to the third degree of consanguinity) by blood or marriage to Borrower or Key Principal. **Synonyms** • Affiliates • Affiliate's

Appraisal	Written statement independently and impartially prepared by a qualified Appraiser stating an opinion of the Property's market value • as of a specific date, and • supported by the presentation and analysis of relevant market information. **Synonyms** • Appraisals • Appraisal's

B

Borrower	Person who is the obligor per the Note. **Synonyms** • Borrowers • Borrower's

E

Effective Gross Income	For any specified period, the Property's total Net Rental Income, plus commercial income, plus other income, all calculated per Part II, Chapter 2: Valuation and Income, Section 203: Income Analysis and the applicable products and features in Part III. **Synonyms** • EGI

F

Foreclosure Event	Any of the following: • Foreclosure per the Security Instrument; • Fannie Mae's exercise of rights and remedies per the Security Instrument or applicable law (including Insolvency Laws) as holder of the Mortgage Loan and/or the Security Instrument, where Fannie Mae (or its designee or nominee), or a third-party purchaser, becomes the Property owner; • Borrower delivers Fannie Mae (or its designee or nominee) a deed or other conveyance of the Property in lieu of any of the foregoing; or • in Louisiana, any dation en paiement.
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

G

Guide	Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide controlling all Lender and Servicer requirements unless a Lender Contract specifies otherwise. **Synonyms** • DUS Guide

I

Improvements	Buildings, structures, improvements, and alterations, including the multifamily housing dwellings, now or hereafter constructed or placed on the Property, including all fixtures (as defined in the UCC). **Synonyms** • Improvements'

K

Key Principal	Person who • controls and/or manages the Borrower or the Property, • is critical to the successful operation and management of the Borrower and the Property, and/or • may be required to provide a Guaranty. **Synonyms** • Key Principals • Key Principal's

L

Lease	Written agreement between an owner and the tenant of a Property stipulating the conditions for possession and use of real estate for a specified period of time and rent. **Synonyms** • Leases
Lender	Person Fannie Mae approved to sell or service Mortgage Loans. **Synonyms** • Lenders • Lender's
Lien	Lien, mortgage, bond interest, pledge, security interest, charge, or encumbrance of any kind. **Synonyms** • Liens

Loan Documents	All Fannie Mae-approved documents evidencing, securing, or guaranteeing the Mortgage Loan. **Synonyms** • Loan Document • Mortgage Loan Document • Mortgage Loan Documents

M

Material Commercial Lease	Lease, sublease, license, concession, grant, or other possessory interest • for commercial purposes comprising 5% or more of the Property's annual EGI, or • relating to: - solar power, thermal power generation, or co-power generation, or the installation of solar panels or any other electrical power generation equipment, and any related power purchase agreement; or - any Property dwelling units leased to ▪ a Borrower Affiliate, ▪ any Key Principal, or ▪ any Principal. **Synonyms** • Material Commercial Leases
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

Mortgage Loan Origination Date	Date you fund a Mortgage Loan to the Borrower. **Synonyms** • Mortgage Loan's Origination Date • Origination Date

N

Net Cash Flow	At underwriting or for any specified period, the amount calculated per Part II, Chapter 2: Valuation and Income, Section 203: Income Analysis and the applicable products and features in Part III. **Synonyms** • NCF

P

Principal	Person who owns or controls, in the aggregate, directly or indirectly (together with that Person's Immediate Family Members, if an individual), specified interests in the Borrower per Part I, Chapter 3: Borrower, Guarantor, Key Principals, and Principals, Section 303: Key Principals, Principals, and Guarantors. **Synonyms** • Principals
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



Security	MBS, PFP MBS, or REMIC. **Synonyms** • Securities
Security Instrument	Instrument creating a lien or encumbrance on 1 or more Properties and securing the Loan Document obligations. **Synonyms** • Security Instruments • Security Instrument's
Servicing File	Your file for each Mortgage Loan serviced. **Synonyms** • Servicing Files
Short Term Rental	Property permitting leases or master leases (including subleases, licenses, and other possessory interests, whether oral or written) of an individual dwelling unit where the intended occupancy of the unit is for less than 30 days, regardless of the stated lease term, such as through a peer-to-peer online marketplace or homestay network (e.g., Airbnb, VRBO, etc.). **Synonyms** • STR • STRs
Sponsor	Principal equity owner and/or primary decision maker of the Borrower (often the Key Principal or the Person Controlling the Key Principal). **Synonyms** • Sponsors • Sponsor's