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12-2020 Underwriting Update

Sept. 11, 2020

We continue to align with the GSEs' policies related to COVID-19

We align with the effective date extensions for temporary COVID-19 policies announced by the GSEs Aug. 27, 2020. Certain temporary policies now apply to loans with application dates through Sept. 30, 2020; the GSEs extended other policies until further notice. These temporary policies also apply to non-GSE loans we insure. We will not be updating our Underwriting Guide to reflect these temporary changes.

The GSEs detailed these latest effective date extensions in the following releases:

- Fannie Mae Lender Letter (LL-2020-03) Updated Aug. 27, 2020 | Impact of COVID-19 on Originations
- Fannie Mae Lender Letter (LL-2020-04) Updated Aug. 27, 2020 | Impact of COVID-19 on Appraisals
- Freddie Mac Bulletin 2020-35 Announced Aug. 27, 2020 | Updates to Market Condition Credit Fee in Price and COVID-19-Related Requirements From Previous Bulletins

Temporary policies extended to Sept. 30, 2020 include those pertaining to:

- Powers of attorney
- Appraisals and completion reports
- Verbal verification of employment

Temporary policies extended until further notice include those pertaining to:

- Age of most income and asset documentation
- Verification of self-employment
- Market-based assets used for down payment, closing costs and reserves

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- Contact Customer Service, customer service@mgic.com or 1-800-424-6442
- See our Underwriting Guide, <u>mgic.com/guides</u>
- Review all MGIC COVID-19 updates, mgic.com/coronavirus

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