

## **Government Overlays**

Topic	Policy Overlay	FHA	VA
4506C	A fully executed IRS Form 4506C must be included in all loan files. Transcripts are required for the following income types: Self-employed; rental income documented on Schedule E; employed by family; and fixed income types such as disability, Social Security, retirement, child support, alimony income documented with tax returns in lieu of alternative documentation such as bank statements.	х	Х
Assets	Sweat Equity is not allowed	Х	Х
Debt to Income	Debt-to-income ratio cannot equal or exceed 55% back-end ratio regardless of AUS approval.	Х	Х
Credit Reports	FHA Streamline refinance or VA IRRRL must have acceptable mortgage rating and must pull credit from 3 different bureaus and the middle score will be used.	X	X
Credit Score Minimum	FHA: 580   550: Debt Consolidation Only VA: 580	X	X
Escrows	Escrow Waivers are not permitted	X	Х
Ineligible Programs	Title I Loans	Х	
	203(k)	Χ	
	Home Equity Conversion Mortgages (Reverse Mortgages)		Х
	Section 247 – Hawaiian Homelands	Χ	
	Section 248 – Indian Reservations	Χ	
	Section 184 – Indian Home Loan Guarantee Program	Χ	
	Section 223(e) – Declining Neighborhoods	Χ	
	FHA Negative Equity Refinance (ADP codes 821, 822, 831, 832)	Χ	
	Energy Efficient Mortgages	Χ	Х
	Mortgage Credit Certificates (MCC)	Χ	Х
	New York Consolidation, Extension and Modification Agreements (CEMA)	Χ	Х
Multiple Loans to the Same Borrower	Maximum of 5 loans per borrower or an aggregate loan amount total of \$4,000,000 per borrower regardless of occupancy.	Х	Х
Trust	FHA Only: AmeriTrust will only close in the name of a revocable trust with review from attorney. Attorney fee must be captured at initial disclosure.	Х	
PACE Loans	Not permitted. (Note: HERO loans are issued under the PACE financing program).	Χ	Х
Property	Co-operatives are ineligible.	Χ	Х
	3–4-unit properties are ineligible for cash-out refinances if one or more of the borrowers does not have a credit score.	Х	Х
	Investment properties under the HUD REO program are ineligible.	Х	
	Condominium projects must be FHA-approved and listed in the HUD database:  https://entp.hud.gov/idapp/html/condlook.cfm  Condominium projects must be VA-approved and listed in the following database: https://lgy.va.gov/lgyhub/condo-report	Х	Х
	Condominiums without HOA's are ineligible.		Х