MGIC Bulletin



09-2017 Underwriting & Rate Updates

Dec. 14, 2017

Announcing increases to maximum loan amounts; new .50% up-front split premium option

New maximum loan amounts

We're adopting the new 2018 Agency <u>conforming loan limits</u>, effective immediately for loans with a valid DU® Approve or Loan Product Advisor® Accept response.

For all other loans, we're increasing certain maximum loan amounts, effective with MI applications we receive on or after Dec. 27, 2017:

- In all states (except Alaska and Hawaii) where the maximum is currently \$450,000, it'll be \$475,000
- In Alaska and Hawaii, where the maximum is \$650,000, it'll be \$700,000

We'll post our updated Underwriting Guide and underwriting summaries with these changes on or before Dec. 27. Refer to the Summary of Changes in the updated Guide for details.

New .50% up-front split premium option

We're also expanding our premium rate options for Borrower-Paid Split Premiums, effective with MI applications we receive on or after Dec. 18, 2017. Here's a sample of our new .50% up-front rates.

| Amortization term > 20 years - Monthly non-refundable premium rates | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Fixed (Fixed payments for ≥ 5 years) | | | | | | | | | |
| LTV | Coverage | 760+ | 740- 759 | 720- 739 | 700- 719 | 680- 699 | 660- 679 | 640- 659 | 620- 639 |
| 97% - 95.01% | 35% | 0.46% | 0.66% | 0.86% | 1.06% | 1.31% | 1.81% | 1.96% | 2.16% |
| 95% - 90.01% | 30 | 0.30 | 0.48 | 0.62 | 0.76 | 0.97 | 1.31 | 1.39 | 1.50 |
| 90% - 85.01% | 25 | 0.17 | 0.28 | 0.37 | 0.47 | 0.60 | 0.87 | 0.92 | 0.97 |
| 85% -80.01% | 12 | n/a | n/a | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.24 | 0.26 | 0.28 |

See our updated rate cards and rate filing status on or before Dec. 18 at mgic.com/rates.

For loans with a valid DU Approve or Loan Product Advisor Accept response, refer to our <u>Underwriting Guide</u> Section 2 for complete requirements. For all other loans, including HARP® and Non-HARP Refi-to-Mod (RTM) loans, refer to Section 3.

Questions?

For more information:

- Contact your MGIC representative, mgic.com/contact; customer service@mgic.com; or 1-800-424-6442
- See our Underwriting Guide, <u>mgic.com/guides</u>

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