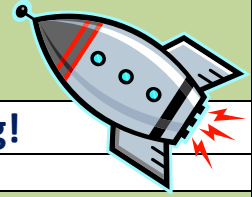


# COUNTDOWN: 7 CFR 3555



Get ready for September 1, 2014.....It's really happening!

March 2014 Issue 2

Information from the Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program (SFHGLP)!

## NEWS: FOCUS ON THE FUTURE!



USDA continues to focus on preparation and training for the launch of 7 CFR Part 3555 on September 1, 2014! Over the next five months, we will count down to the implementation of the new regulation, scheduled to replace the present rule, 7 CFR Part 1980 Subpart D. It is our highest priority to create the best and most exciting training materials and resources for use by the Agency and our lending and real estate partners. We are just days from releasing training dates and details.

7 CFR Part 3555 is available online for review at: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-12-09/pdf/2013-29084.pdf>.

## DIG IN! Navigating the new regulation!



7 CFR Part 3555 is comprised of eight subparts. The technical handbook to be published has twenty chapters accompanied by appendices to clarify subjects such as obtaining CAIVRS, contacts, loan reporting, etc. The technical handbook will include greater detail of rule requirements. Below is a sneak peek at the rule subparts and corresponding technical handbook chapters! What will be your most used references? They are coming soon to the USDA LINC Single Family Housing training and resource library located online at: <https://usdalinc.sc.egov.usda.gov/RHShome.do>.

7 CFR Part 3555	Handbook: HB-1-3555
Subpart A: General	Chapter 1: Overview
Subpart B: Lender Participation	Chapter 2: Record Retention Chapter 3: Lender Approval Chapter 4: Lender Responsibilities
Subpart C: Loan Requirements	Chapter 5: Origination and Underwriting Overview Chapter 7: Loan Terms and Conditions Chapter 14: Funding Priorities Chapter 15: Submitting the Loan Application Chapter 16: Closing the Loan and Requesting the Guarantee
Subpart D: Underwriting the Applicant	Chapter 8: Applicant Characteristics Chapter 9: Income Analysis Chapter 10: Credit Analysis Chapter 11: Ratio Analysis
Subpart E: Underwriting the Property	Chapter 12: Property and Appraisal Requirements Chapter 13: Special Property Types
Subpart F: Servicing Performing Loans	Chapter 17: Regular Servicing
Subpart G: Servicing Non-Performing Loans	Chapter 18: Servicing Non-Performing Loans – Accounts with Repayment Problems Chapter 19: Custodial and Real Estate Owned Properties
Subpart H: Collecting on the Guarantee	Chapter 20: Loss Claims – Collecting on the Guarantee

## TRAINING



### 7 CFR Part 3555

Live training will be provided. Training dates will be scheduled after the technical handbook is approved. At this time no dates have been scheduled. Please read future issues of "Countdown: 7 CFR 3555" for more details.

### RD Instruction Part 1980 Subpart D – What will happen?

RD Instruction Part 1980 Subpart D will be replaced with 7 CFR Part 3555. No future live trainings are scheduled. Recorded trainings and resources remain available on USDA LINC's "Training and Resource Library" for new lender training, loan origination documentation, GUS training, automated lender loan closing, and loss claim administration and servicing. Access these and more at: <https://usdalinc.sc.egov.usda.gov/USDALincTrainingResourceLib.do>.

## COMING SOON



USDA Agency Employees:

- Teleconferences for discussion, frequently asked questions, etc.

USDA Agency Employees, Lending and Real Estate Professional Partners:

- The next issue "Countdown: 7 CFR 3555"

USDA Participating Lenders and partners:

- Additional announcements and materials will be released through ListServ. Register online for announcements at the link provided in the "Reminders" section. (Hint: It's the NEXT section of this newsletter!)

## REMINDERS



7 CFR Part 3555 is effective for all complete loan applications submitted to USDA on September 1, 2014.

RD Instruction Part 1980 Subpart D along with applicable Administrative Notices (AN) remains effective for all complete loan applications submitted to USDA through August 31, 2014. Current regulations and AN's may be located online at: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/RegulationsAndGuidance.html>.

Sign up online for ListServ announcements: <http://www.rdlist.sc.egov.usda.gov>.

## CONTACTS



State Guaranteed Loan Coordinators phone and email contact information may be located at:

<http://eligibility.sc.egov.usda.gov/eligibility/welcomeAction.do?pageAction=GetRHContact&NavKey=contact@12>.

National Office Headquarters: 202-720-1452

## MIND CHECK TRIVIA: Get your 3555 brain on!



1. Which 7 CFR Part 3555 Subpart would you reference for the following topics:  
\*Income Analysis \*Appraisals \*Lender Approval \*Foreclosures
2. Which HB-1-3555 chapter would you reference for the following topics:  
\*Record Retention \*Credit Analysis \*Condominiums \*Loss Claim Submission

Answers: 1. D, E, B, G, 2. 2, 10, 13, 20

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