

# Wholesale

# VA Program At-A-Glance

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VA Eligibility Matrix – Standard									
Primary Residence   Conforming & High Balance   FRM & ARM Maximum LTV/CLTV   AUS A/E or Manual									
		DTI <sup>1</sup>	Base Loan Amount <sup>2</sup>	Purchase <sup>3</sup>		Cash-Out Refinance <sup>4</sup>			
Units	Underwrite			Credit	гту/сгту	Credit	гту/сгту	Max Cash	
				Score		Score		In-Hand	
Site Built -	Site Built – SFR, PUD, or Condo								
1	Manual	50%	<=\$970,800	600 <b>6</b>	100%	620 <b>5</b>	90%	\$100,000	
1+0.4		(	600 <b>6</b> 100%	1000/	600 <b>5,6</b>	90%	No Core		
1 to 4	AUS A/E Only	65%	<=\$970,800	6000	100%	640	100%	No Cap	
1+0.4	AUS A/E Only	65%	\$970,801 to \$1,500,000	000	100%	680	100%	No Cap	
1 to 4			\$1,500,001 to \$2,000,000	660	85%		85%		
Multi-Wid	Multi-Wide Manufactured Home								
1	AUS A/E Only	65%	<=\$970,800	620	100%	620	90%	No Cap	

- DTI >41% requires residual income that exceeds guideline by 20% or with justification and underwriter's supervisor approval.
- If base loan amount is >\$970,800, must have 0x30x12 mortgage payment history.
- 3 Purchase Transactions The LTV/CLTV may only exceed the limits shown when VA Energy Efficient Improvements (VA EEM) are financed.
- 4 Refinance Transactions:
  - LTV calculation = total loan amount (including funding fee if financed) divided by the reasonable value
  - Inclusion of VA EEM in loan amount may not cause transaction to exceed applicable LTV/CLTV
  - LTV/CLTV >90% only available with a 30-year fixed rate term
  - No cash in-hand for Texas Homestead properties
- 5 No exceptions to minimum credit score permitted.
- 6 Credit Scores 600 to 619 Additional Requirements.
  - Maximum 45% DTI
  - Borrower with a housing obligation in the past 12 months must be rated 0x30x12
  - Borrower living rent or mortgage free for over 12 months does not need housing rating

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### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Maximum Guaranty for a cash-out refinance is the same as the for a purchase transaction
- Veteran must have sufficient available entitlement for the loan
- Veteran must certify that they will personally occupy as primary residence

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#### Refinance Seasoning Requirements

All VA refinance transactions must meet the seasoning requirements on the current mortgage per regulatory requirement. The Note date of the refinance mortgage must be on or after the later of:

- The date that is 210 days after the first payment due date of the mortgage being refinanced and
- The date on which six full monthly payments have been made on the mortgage being refinanced

For Cash-out VA to VA loans being refinanced within one year from date of closing, all payments made in that timeframe must be documented. Example documents include servicer payment history or a credit bureau supplement showing all payments.

#### Cash-out Refinance

VA categorizes cash-out refinances into two types. Within each type, they also consider if current mortgage is a VA mortgage or non-VA mortgage:

Type 1 - The loan amount, including the VA funding fee, does not exceed the payoff amount of the loan being refinanced.

Type 2 - The loan amount, including the VA funding fee, exceeds the payoff amount of the loan being refinanced.

	Ву Ту	ype 1	Ву Туре 2		
Requirements	Current Mortgage				
	VA	Non-VA	VA	Non-VA	
New loan with VA Funding fee <=100% LTV/CLTV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
New loan will provide at least one NTB <sup>1</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Veteran will acknowledge the Loan Comparison Disclosure <sup>2</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Fee Recoupment <sup>3</sup>	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	

# <sup>1</sup>Net Tangible Benefit (NTB)

- Eliminate monthly mortgage insurance
- Decrease loan term
- Decrease monthly P&I payment
- Reduce interest rate

- LTV/CLTV <=90% of reasonable value</li>
- Refinance an interim construction loan
- Increase monthly residual income
- Refinance from ARM to fixed rate mortgage

# <sup>2</sup>Loan Comparison Disclosure Elements

Include information for the existing and new loan regarding:

- Loan amount versus payoff amount
- Loan type, i.e., fixed rate or ARM
- Interest rate
- Loan term
- Total of all payments as scheduled (principal, interest, and mortgage insurance)
- LTV Veteran's equity position (LTV and equity being removed)

Veteran will acknowledge the Loan Comparison Disclosure *twice*:

- Initial statement issued within 3 days of application, and
- Final statement issued at closing

# <sup>3</sup>Fee Recoupment

When required, the underwriter will document and certify that the Veteran will recoup the expense of refinancing within 36 months from the closing date by a lower P&I payment.

- This includes all fees, expenses and closing cost paid by the veteran at closing or financed into new loan
- Prepaid expenses like insurance, taxes, special assessments and HOA fees excluded from calculation
- Divide the sum of all fees, closing costs, and expenses by the reduced monthly P&I payment to determine the number of months to recoup

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The following is an overview of core guidelines and overlays. See the Homepoint Guide for full program requirements.								
Торіс	Description							
	Amortization	Term	Conformi	ng Products	High Balance Products			
		360	VA Fixed 30		VA High Balance Fixed 30			
	FRM	300	VA Fixed 25		N/A			
		240	VA Fixed 20					
		180	VA Fixed 15					
	ARM	360	VA ARM 5/1 CMT			VA High Balance ARM 5/1 CMT		
Products & Terms	<ul> <li>Temporary buydowns not permitted</li> <li>Loans with a base loan amounts that exceeds the FHFA general loan limits must be registered under a high balance product as follows:</li> </ul>							
	Area		1 Unit	2 Units	3 Units	4 Units		
	Contiguous U.S.		\$647,200	\$828,700	\$1,001,650	\$1,244,850		
	Alaska & Hawaii		\$970,800	\$1,243,050	\$1,502,475	\$1,867,275		
	Maximum base loan amount \$2 million.							
	Торіс		5/1 ARM	5/1 ARM				
	Cap Structure		1% Initial/1% Annual/5% Lifetime					
	Margin & Floor		2.00%					
	Index		1-year CMT (Co	1-year CMT (Constant Maturity Treasury)				
ARM Criteria	Qualifying Inter	est Rate	Note Rate	Note Rate				
	Interest Rate Fo	rmula	Index plus mar	Index plus margin rounded to the nearest .125%				
	Conversion Opt	ion	None	None				
	Assumption		Assumable					
	Change Dates are based on first payment due date. See Homepoint Guide for details.							
Occupancy	Primary residences only as defined by VA. Second home and investment occupancies are ineligible.							
Underwriting Method	All loans must be run through an AUS, and a copy of the finding provided in file If an 'Approve/Accept' recommendation is not given; manual underwriting downgrade is permitted pursuant to manual underwriting overlays. No underwriting exceptions will be made on manufactured homes. Homepoint reserves the right to make the final underwriting decision regardless of AUS finding.							
Borrower Eligibility	<ul> <li>Primary borrower must be a veteran and document entitlement with a Certificate of Eligibility (COE)</li> <li>All borrowers must have a Social Security Number</li> <li>Not have been suspended or debarred from participation in federal programs</li> <li>Exclusionary List – GSA SAM and CAIVRS list must be checked and cleared</li> <li>Resident aliens permitted as veteran's spouse. See the VA – Non-U.S. Citizen Guidelines Section in the Homepoint Guide for additional requirements</li> <li>Surviving spouses of veterans that died in service permitted if not remarried and can obtain valid COE with entitlement code 06</li> <li>Joint loans not permitted. A veteran and spouse not considered 'joint' borrowers</li> </ul>							
Eligible Properties	<ul> <li>Single family, PUDs, VA approved condominiums, 2 to 4-unit residential</li> <li>Multi-wide manufactured homes &gt;=700 square feet</li> </ul>							
Ineligible Properties  - Cooperatives - Leasehold - Mobile homes - Properties held in a commi			nmunity trust	quality r • Single-w	es with a condition rating of C5/C6 or a ating of Q6 vide manufactured homes v(a)(6) loans			

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	Loan amounts greater than \$144,000.							
	Entitlement		Criteria					
VA Guaranty &	Full Entitlement		25% of the loan amou	unt				
Maximum Loan Amount	Partial Entitlement		Maximum guaranty is lesser of  25% of loan amount, or  25% of Freddie Mac CCL, less unrestored entitlement					
	Loan Purpose		Down Payment	First-time Use	Subsequent Use			
			None	2.30%	3.60%			
Funding Fee	Purchase & New Con	struction	5% to 10%	1.65%	1.65%			
			10% or more	1.40%	1.40%			
	Cash-out Refinance		N/A	2.30%	3.60%			
Credit Score	<ul> <li>A tri-merge credit report required for all borrowers with at least two valid scores returned per borrower</li> <li>Non-traditional credit not permitted</li> <li>Valid CAIVRS required for all borrowers. No delinquent Federal Debt permitted unless the delinquent account has been brought current or a satisfactory arrangement has been made. Must document repayment plan terms and verify three satisfactory payments have been made</li> </ul>							
	Туре	Manual Underwri	ting – Specific Credit I	History Requirements				
	Credit History	No significant derogatory credit permitted in the last 12 months.						
Credit History	Housing Payment History	<ul> <li>AUS A/E requires manual downgrade if more than 1x30 in most recent 12 months</li> <li>Most recent 24-month rental history documented by VOR, canceled checks, or shown on credit report</li> <li>For all mortgages, explanation required for payment history that shows more than 1x30 in past 12 months</li> </ul>						
	All Derogatory Credit >12 Months	LOE covering all derogatory items signed and dated by the borrower required.  Must determine that derogatory events are not of patter of credit disregard.						
	Credit Event	Description						
	Bankruptcy	<ul> <li>Chapter 7 - Two-year seasoning from date of discharge</li> <li>Chapter 13 - Permitted if a minimum of 12 months repayment is documented and Trustee/Bankruptcy Judge approval received</li> </ul>						
	Deed in Lieu, Short Sale, Foreclosure	Two-years from the date the property transferred out of the borrower's name.						
Significant Derogatory Credit	Judgments	All must be paid in full or documented evidence of satisfactory repayment plan with a minimum of <b>three</b> payments made.						
	Collections	Generally, must b	e paid. Unpaid collect	ions require payment	included in DTI.			
	Federal Debt including Student Loans	<ul> <li>Must validate with CAIVRS. No current delinquent federal debt permitted unle</li> <li>A satisfactory repayment plan has been established and documented</li> <li>Minimum of three satisfactory payments have been made under the repayment plan</li> </ul>			documented			
	See the VA – Credit History Section in the Homepoint Guide for additional requirements.							
Eligible States	All states. See the Sta	State Licenses for details.						
Texas Properties	<ul> <li>Texas 50(a)(4) transactions permitted</li> <li>Consult with Texas attorney to determine applicable lien provisions per Texas constitution</li> <li>Refinancing where the borrower receives any cash back not permitted</li> </ul>							
High Cost and High- Priced Loans	'High Cost' loans not permitted. Loans defined as a 'Higher-priced Mortgage Loan' or 'Higher-priced Covered Transaction' under Reg Z may be eligible. Additional restrictions apply.							

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Income Documentation	VA has additional income documentation requirements beyond AUS requirements. See the VA – <i>Program</i> Section in the Homepoint Guide for additional requirements.				
Interested Party Contributions	Sales concessions permitted up to <b>4%</b> of the established reasonable value evidenced on the LNOV. Seller paid standard closing costs and normal discount points not included in this calculation.				
Appraisals	<ul> <li>A full appraisal required and must be ordered through the VA Portal (WebLGY)</li> <li>Appraisals may be transferred to Homepoint from another lender without additional requirements. (Reflect Homepoint as Sponsoring Lender in the 'VA Portal – Lender ID #5500180000')</li> <li>LNOV must be issued within five-business days of completion of the URAR. Appraisals can be delivered to appraisals@hpfc.com</li> <li>Appraisals must be completed no more than 180 days prior to closing</li> </ul>				
Escrows	Escrow accounts are established for convenience. Escrow waivers may be requested. See Section 818 Escrow/Impound Requirements in the Homepoint Guide for details.				
мсс	Mortgage Credit Certificate (MCC) not permitted.				
Resources	VA Loan Limits VA Home Loans Certificate of Eligibility	Email <u>appraisals@hpfc.com</u> HUD <u>Credit Alert System</u> (CAIVRS)			

Overlays to guidelines identified with red font. Current changes identified with green font. See the VA <u>Lender Handbook</u> for additional information or any policy not addressed. <u>Underwriter may require additional documentation above AUS requirements</u>. Homepoint has sole discretion for final underwriting decision.

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