

LHFS News

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## MASSACHUSETTS STATE-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide an overview of document requirements for Massachusetts loan transactions.

## REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements are in effect for Wholesale channels. These disclosures are included in the application and disclosure packet:

- <u>Opt-In Disclosure: *Must be signed and dated after counseling.* Loans submitted with this document signed and dated prior to counseling will be rejected.</u>
  - Document name:
    - "Massachusetts Opt-in Form" in ReverseVision
- <u>Massachusetts Commitment Letter:</u> *Must be signed AFTER receipt of Opt-In Disclosure and at* <u>least 7 days prior to closing.</u>
- <u>Counseling: Counseling must be conducted and the certificate must be dated prior to the Opt-In</u> <u>Disclosure.</u> Any submissions with a counseling certificate performed or signed after the required Opt-In disclosure will be denied for non-compliance with state requirements.
- Licensing:
  - <u>Brokers</u>: Brokers do not require special approval to originate and broker reverse mortgages in the state of Massachusetts. They must only obtain a Massachusetts broker license. This is required even of MA licensed lenders who want to broker loans (unless exempt).
  - <u>Lenders</u>: All Massachusetts lenders must obtain special approval to make reverse mortgages, in addition to a lender license (unless exempt). They will appear on the following list (Brokers are not required to be on this list):
    - List of MA-Approved Reverse Mortgage Lenders

## RESOURCES

- Disclosure samples, attached.
- For more information on MA requirements, click here.

For more information, contact your Account Executive

