Breaking Down Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac 97% LTV Programs



Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac both offer loan programs to help borrowers qualify for a loan with as little as 3% down payment! Enact aligns with the GSEs and is here to help you find the right solutions for your borrowers and support their dream of homeownership.

	Fannie Mae HomeReady®	Freddie Mac Home Possible®	Fannie Mae Standard 97% LTV	Freddie Mac HomeOne®
Borrower Income	Total qualifying income no more than 80% AMI		No income limitations	
First-Time Homebuyer (FTHB)	Not required		At least one borrower must be a first-time home buyer	
LTV/MI Coverage	90.01 - 97% LTV = 25% coverage All other LTV's = Standard MI coverage applies		97% LTV = Standard MI coverage applies	
Loan-Level Price Adjustments (LLPAs)	LLPAs waived		Standard risk-based	
Credit Score	620		620	
Purpose/ Property Types	Purchase & Rate/Term Refi 1-4 unit owner occupied primary residences 1-unit only if: Condo, Co-op, MH & Reno		Purchase & GSE owned Rate/Term Refinance 1-unit owner occupied primary residences All property types; C-to-P eligible	
1-Unit LTV/CLTV	Fixed Rate & ARM 97%/105%; 95%/105%	Fixed Rate & ARM 97%/105%; 95%/95%	Fixed Rate only - 97%/105%	
2-Unit LTV/CLTV	Fixed Rate & ARM 85%/105%	Fixed Rate & ARM 95%/105%	Not Applicable	
3- to 4-Unit LTV/CLTV	Fixed Rate & ARM 75%/105%	Fixed Rate 95%/105% & ARM 75%/105%	Not Applicable	
Manufactured Housing	Max LTV 95%; > 95% LTV MH Advantage® only	Max LTV 95%; > 95% LTV CHOICEHome® only	Ineligible	
Underwriting	DU® required for > 95% LTV Manual allowed < 95% LTV	Loan Product Advisor® and Manual	DU only	LPA only
Non-Occupant Co-Borrower	Eligible to max 95% LTV with DU Approve/LPA Accept Manual Underwrite subject to additional criteria		Ineligible	
Minimum Borrower Contribution Required	1-Unit - None Required 2- to 4- Unit 3%		None Required	
Boarder Income	Permitted with documentation of at least 9 of the most recent 12 mos. up to 30% of qualifying income		Ineligible	
Other Assets/Source of Funds	Sweat Equity and Cash-on-hand eligible subject to additional criteria		Cash-on-hand and Sweat Equity are ineligible	
Ownership of other property	Occupant borrower may own one additional financed property at the time of closing; limit not applicable to non-owner occupant		At least one borrower must be a first-time home buyer	
Product Types	Fixed and ARM ≥ 5yr Temporary Interest Rate Buydowns Eligible		Fixed Rate only Temporary Interest Rate Buydowns Eligible	
Affordable/Community Seconds/Subordinate Financing	Gifts, Grants & Community Seconds® eligible	Gifts, Grants, Affordable Seconds® & HELOCs eligible	Personal gifts, gifts or grants from a qualified entity, employer assistance, and GSE eligible subordinate financing	
Homebuyer Education	If all borrowers are FTHBs, at least one borrower must complete Homeownership Education		If all borrowers are FTHBs, at least one borrower must complete Homeownership Education	
Mortagage Credit Certificates (MCC)	Allowed		Allowed	

Consult Freddie Mac's Seller Servicer Guide and Fannie Mae's Selling Guide for a complete listing of product guidelines and eligibility information.

Questions? Email our ActionCenter at Action.Center@EnactMl.com or call 800-444-5664.

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