CalHFA and Lakeview* Overlays on all CalHFA Loan Products

As of 7.2.2024

Overlay	CalHFA	Lakeview*	Resource
Income limits	\checkmark		Income Limits
One borrower must complete Homebuyer Education & Counseling course	\checkmark		List of Edu & Counseling Courses
Must be a first-time homebuyer when using CalHFA subordinate financing. See program handbook for exceptions.	\checkmark		CalHFA MyHome PDF
MCC cannot be used to credit qualify	\checkmark		Loan Program Handbooks
45.00% max DTI, exception for borrower with credit score over 700 to 50% DTI	\checkmark		
640 minimum credit score for FHA, VA, or USDA. 680 minimum credit score on conventional standard rate loans. 660 for manual underwritten FHA and low income (LI) rate conventional	\checkmark		
Impounds required regardless of LTV (property taxes, hazard ins. and flood/earthquake ins. if required)	\checkmark		
No appraisal waivers allowed	\checkmark		
A 1-year Home Warranty Protection Plan required on property (Except New Construction)	\checkmark		
1-unit single family residence properties only – (1-unit properties with Accessory Dwelling Unit, guest houses, "granny" units or "in-law" quarters are eligible)	\checkmark		
Maximum lender fees not to exceed the greater of 3% of the loan amount or \$3,000	\checkmark		
Automated Underwriting: 1) Total Scorecard through DU [®] or LPA [®] (available for FHA & VA loans); 2) DU [®] Approve/Eligible only (mandatory on conventional loans); 3) GUS Accept/Eligible (USDA only)	\checkmark		
No co-signors or non-occupant co-borrowers allowed	\checkmark		
Non-Purchasing spouse may not be on title	\checkmark		
Loans will not be purchased if any individual or company participating in the transaction are on the Lakeview Exclusionary List		\checkmark	
Borrower paid Temporary Buydowns are not allowed. Follow Lakeview guidelines.		\checkmark	
Residency- Refer to GSE guidelines and Lakeview's Residency Guide for interpretation of GSE policy and document requirements		\checkmark	
No manual underwriting on a Conventional, VA or USDA Loan		\checkmark	
No Single Close Construction on USDA		\checkmark	
Non-traditional credit is not allowed		\checkmark	
FHA manual underwriting: 43.00% Debt-to-Income (DTI) maximum, 660 minimum credit score		\checkmark	
All sources of qualifying income must be legal in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulation, without conflict		\checkmark	
Borrower tax transcripts are required by Lakeview on the first mortgage purchase under certain circumstances		\checkmark	
Co-ops or Tenancy in Common properties not allowed		\checkmark	
Community Land Trust and Below Market Rate (BMR) properties not allowed with CalHFA Dream For All Shared Appreciation Program		\checkmark	
Manufactured homes: 1) No manual underwriting 2a) No VA 3) No singlewide properties 4) 660 minimum credit score 5) No leasehold properties (conventional loans) 6) On USDA – New construction only 7) Max 45.00% DTI		\checkmark	
* Lakeview is CalHFA's Master Servicer			