Questionnaire

GENERAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Real Estate Loan Policies

1.	Has the board of directors adopted written real estate loan policies that define:		
	•	Geographic lending areas?	
	•	A generable types of properties?	

•	Acceptable types of properties?	
•	Lending authority of committees and individual officers?	
•	Minimum financial information required for borrowers of specific types of mortgage loans?	
•	Minimum appraisal standards for real estate mortgage loans?	
•	Maximum advance as a percentage of appraised value or purchase price?	
•	Limits on the amount of negative amortization allowed on a mortgage compared with its current market value?	
•	Maximum loan maturities?	
•	Sound review standards for real estate loan applications that require the underwriting analysis/decision be documented?	
•	Minimum standards for loan documentation?	
•	Limitations on the number or amount of loans involving any individual borrower or contractor?	
•	Limitations on the number, type, or amount of loans purchased or sold by the institu- tion?	
•	Minimum standards for qualification of borrowers for various loan products (ARMs, Teaser Rate, etc.)?	
	e loan underwriting standards reviewed at least annually to determine if they are com- ible with changing market conditions?	
	es the institution have written collection policies and procedures that are approved by board of directors?	

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4.	Does the institution have a written schedule of fees, rates, terms, and collateral require- ments for all new loan?		
Арр	raisal Practices		
1.	Has the board of directors:		
	• Adopted an appraisal policy?		
	• Developed written hiring policies for appraisers?		
	• Developed a review system for appraisers?		
2.	Has the board of directors adopted a current approved appraiser list and are appraisers approved before they are used?		
3.	Are current agreements of sale, option, or listing information made available to appraisers?		
4.	Are appraiser's fees based upon a set fee and not the granting of the loan or the appraised value of the property?		
5.	If staff appraisers are used, does the institution periodically have test appraisals made by independent appraisers in order to check the accuracy of appraisal reports?		
6.	If appraisers who are not employees of the institution are used, does the institution ade- quately investigate their report quality, reputation, and qualifications?		
7.	Do loan approval and appraisal functions maintain adequate independence internally?		
8.	Does the institution not use borrower-supplied appraisal reports?		
9.	Are appraisal review personnel identified and given specific guidelines to determine the adequacy of the appraisal?		
10.	Are appraisers paid the same amount whether or not the loan is granted?		
Coll	ateral		
1.	Does the institution have a sound policy of cross-collateralizing security properties for major borrowers?		
2.	Are loan advances supported by written evidence or reinspection of property?		

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3.	If supplemental collateral is held on loans, is it secured and a record of its status main- tained?		
4.	Is written acknowledgment obtained from the borrower for the pledging of savings ac- counts or the assignment of life insurance policies?		
Loar	Documentation		
1.	Do the institution's loan documentation policies and procedures comply with 12 CFR § 560.170?		
2.	Does the institution verify each applicant's income, employment, and financial condition prior to loan commitment?		
3.	Are procedures in effect to ensure compliance with the requirements of government agencies insuring or guaranteeing the loans?		
4.	Has a system for maintaining adequate loan document files been established including:		
	• A check sheet to assure that required documents are received and on file?		
	• Inspection performed by internal loan review personnel?		
5.	Are procedures in effect to protect loan documents from theft, damage, or inappropriate release?		
	• Are collateral releases executed only after required payments have been cleared?		
	• Are lien releases approved reviewed by an officer or officers based on the size of the loan?		
6.	Are all real estate loan commitments issued in written form?		
7.	Are approvals of real estate advances reviewed, before disbursement, to determine that such advances do not increase the borrower's total liability to an amount in excess of the institution's loan commitment or legal lending limit?		
Loar	n Interest and Commitment Fees		
1.	Is the preparation of interest earned or loan fees subsidiary journals reviewed by person- nel who do not issue checks or handle cash?		
2.	Are interest and fee computations made and tested by persons who do not also issue checks/drafts or handle cash?		

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3.	Does the institution properly account for deferred and earned loan fees?		
Rec	ordkeeping		
1.	Is the preparation and posting of subsidiary loan records performed or reviewed by per- sons who do not also issue official checks/drafts or handle cash?		
2.	Are the subsidiary loan records reconciled daily with the appropriate general ledger ac- counts and are reconciling items investigated by persons who do not also issue official checks/drafts or handle cash?		
3.	Are delinquent account collection requests and past-due notices checked to the trial bal- ances used in reconciling loan subsidiary records to general ledger accounts and are they handled by persons who do not also issue official checks/drafts or handle cash?		
4.	Are detailed statements of account balances and activity mailed to mortgagors at least annually?		
5.	Are inquiries about loan balances received and investigated by persons who do not also handle cash?		
6.	Are documents supporting recorded credit adjustments checked or tested by persons who do not also handle cash?		
7.	Is a daily record maintained summarizing loans made, payments received, and interest collected to support applicable general ledger accounts?		
8.	Are note and liability ledger trial balances prepared and reconciled to controlling ac- counts by employees who do not process or record loan transactions?		
9.	Are records and files for serviced loans segregated and identifiable?		
10.	Is an overdue accounts report generated on a timely basis?		
11.	Are loan officers prohibited from processing loan payments?		
12.	Are loan payments received by mail recorded upon receipt independently before being sent to and processed by a note teller?		
13.	Are advance loan payments adequately controlled if they are not immediately credited to the loan account?		

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Insu	rance and Escrow		
1.	Does the institution require escrows for taxes and insurance, and include such payments when qualifying borrowers?		
2.	Does the institution have a mortgage blanket hazard insurance policy?		
3.	Is there an effective, formalized system for determining whether insurance premiums are current on collateral properties?		
4.	Does the institution require that insurance policies include a loss payable clause to the institution?		
5.	Are disbursements for taxes and insurance supported by records showing the nature and purpose of the disbursements?		
6.	If advance deposits for taxes and insurance are not required, does the institution have an effective system for determining whether taxes and insurance have been paid?		
Subj	prime Lending		
1.	Does the institution have a subprime lending program?		
	If so:		
	• Does the institution track performance of subprime loans based on product type, combined LTV, credit score, documentation, and originating officer/office, or broker?		
	• Does the institution use the same underwriting standards for sold or held-for-sale loans as it does for its portfolio loans?		
	• Does the institution sell loans without any form of implicit or explicit recourse?		
	• Are representations and warranties standard and limited to 120 days?		
	• Where repurchase obligations are significant, does the institution maintain adequate reserve accounts for such contingencies?		
	• Has the institution had to repurchase a significant amount of sold loans?		

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