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unit size for which the family qualifies under the PHA occupancy policy.

- (2) If the PHA does not have sufficient funds to subsidize the family unit size of the family at the top of the waiting list, the PHA may not skip the top family to admit an applicant with a smaller family unit size. Instead, the family at the top of the waiting list will be admitted when sufficient funds are available.
- (e) Funding for specified category of waiting list families. When HUD awards an PHA program funding for a specified category of families on the waiting list, the PHA must select applicant families in the specified category.
- (f) Number of waiting lists. A PHA must use a single waiting list for admission to its Section 8 tenant-based assistance program. However, the PHA may use a separate single waiting list for such admissions for a county or municipality.

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§ 982.205 Waiting list: Different programs.

- (a) Merger and cross-listing—(1) Merged waiting list. a PHA may merge the waiting list for tenant-based assistance with the PHA waiting list for admission to another assisted housing program, including a federal or local program. In admission from the merged waiting list, admission for each federal program is subject to federal regulations and requirements for the particular program.
- (2) Non-merged waiting list: Cross-listing. If the PHA decides not to merge the waiting list for tenant-based assistance with the waiting list for the PHA's public housing program, projectbased voucher program or moderate rehabilitation program:
- (i) If the PHA's waiting list for tenant-based assistance is open when an applicant is placed on the waiting list for the PHA's public housing program, project-based voucher program or moderate rehabilitation program, the PHA must offer to place the applicant on its

waiting list for tenant-based assistance.

- (ii) If the PHA's waiting list for its public housing program, project-based voucher program or moderate rehabilitation program is open when an applicant is placed on the waiting list for its tenant-based program, and if the other program includes units suitable for the applicant, the PHA must offer to place the applicant on its waiting list for the other program.
- (b) Other housing assistance: Effect of application for, receipt or refusal.
- (1) For purposes of this section, "other housing subsidy" means a housing subsidy other than assistance under the voucher program. Housing subsidy includes subsidy assistance under a federal housing program (including public housing), a State housing program, or a local housing program.
- (2) The PHA may not take any of the following actions because an applicant has applied for, received, or refused other housing assistance:
- (i) Refuse to list the applicant on the PHA waiting list for tenant-based assistance;
- (ii) Deny any admission preference for which the applicant is currently qualified:
- (iii) Change the applicant's place on the waiting list based on preference, date and time of application, or other factors affecting selection under the PHA selection policy; or
- (iv) Remove the applicant from the waiting list.

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§ 982.206 Waiting list: Opening and closing; public notice.

- (a) Public notice. (1) When the PHA opens a waiting list, the PHA must give public notice that families may apply for tenant-based assistance. The public notice must state where and when to apply.
- (2) The PHA must give the public notice by publication in a local newspaper of general circulation, and also by minority media and other suitable means. The notice must comply with HUD fair housing requirements.