## **Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System**

#### **Home Mortgage Disclosure Act**

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## 2012 FILE SPECIFICATIONS

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)
Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRS)
Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
National Credit Union Administration (NCUA)
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)

## **Reporting Reminders for 2012 HMDA Files**

# ESTABLISHMENT OF CONSUMER FINANCE PROTECTION BUREAU AND ITS EFFECTS ON THE HMDA FILE SPECIFICATIONS

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the Dodd-Frank Act) established the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) to consolidate in one agency certain federal consumer financial protection authorities previously held by seven transferor agencies. The functions of the Bureau include being the agency with HMDA reporting responsibility for very large banks, thrifts, credit unions (those with over \$10 billion in assets) and their affiliates (including affiliates that are themselves banks, thrifts, or credit unions regardless of asset size and subsidiaries of such affiliates).

According to the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, the OTS's functions were transferred to other agencies as of July 21, 2011. While most of its functions were transferred to the OCC, certain other authorities of the OTS transferred to the FDIC, the FRB, and the CFPB. For example, the OCC is the primary prudential regulator over all Federally-Chartered thrifts and their mortgage subsidiaries; the FDIC is the prudential regulator over all State-Chartered Thrifts and their mortgage subsidiaries; and the FRS is the prudential regulator over all Thrift Holding Company entities.

As a result of the above changes, revisions were made to the HMDA file specifications and are applicable beginning with HMDA data reported for calendar year (CY) 2011 forward. OTS agency code "4" was removed and agency code "9" was added for the CFPB reporting institutions. The table below includes information about the respondent (RID) numbers and agency code numbers that should be used by depository and nondepository entities reporting HMDA beginning with CY 2011 forward.

		Nondepository	
Agency	<b>Depository Institution</b>	Institution	Agency Code
CFPB	RSSD number	Federal Tax ID number	9
FDIC	FDIC certificate	Federal Tax ID number	3
	number	(Include the hyphen and	
		remove the leading zero	
		in the RID for the	
		federally-chartered	
		nondepository thrifts	
		that transfer to FDIC)	
FRS	RSSD number	RSSD number	2
HUD	Has no depository	Federal tax ID number	7
	institutions		
NCUA	Charter number	Federal Tax ID number	5
OCC	Charter number	Federal Tax ID number	1
OTS (depository and	(New RID formula for	Federal Tax ID number	1
nondepository institutions	these federally-	(Include the hyphen and	
transferring to OCC)	chartered depository	remove the leading zero	
	thrifts will be 700000 +	in the RID for the	
	docket number; for	federally-chartered	
	example, if docket	nondepository thrifts	
	number is 367, the	that transfer to OCC)	
	HMDA 10-digit RID		
	number will be		
	0000700367)		

## File Specifications for 2012 HMDA Data

#### Introduction

The following information describes the format used when sending automated HMDA data to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. These formats should only be used to send data to the Board if you are an FDIC, NCUA, OCC, CFPB, HUD or FRS reporter.

#### **General Information for PC Diskette and CD-ROM**

All records are 380 characters in length and contain the following:

- The Transmittal Sheet has 21 elements comprising 379 characters and filler comprising 1 character which is blank.
  - $\circ$  The first record in the file must = 1 for the record identifier.
- The Loan/Application Register has 40 elements comprising 110 characters and filler comprising 270 characters of blanks.
  - The second and all subsequent records in the file must = 2 for the record identifier.

#### PC Diskette and CD-ROM Format Characteristics

HMDA data submitted via diskette or CD-ROM must adhere to the following specifications:

- 1. The diskette or CD-ROM must be formatted for IBM compatible personal computers. The following diskette and CD-ROM formats will be accepted:
  - 3-1/2 high density, 1.44M formatted capacity
  - CD-R or equivalent recordable compact disc
- The HMDA data should be contained in a file named: hRID\_Agency\_Year.enc or hRID\_Agency\_Year.dat
  - The HMDA Data Entry Software creates the hRID\_Agency\_Year.enc file in the Export to Regulatory Agency via Internet E-mail and Postal Service options
  - The file must be the only file on the diskette or CD-ROM
- 3. The HMDA data file must be in ASCII format, containing carriage return/line feed (0D0A in HEX) characters at the end of each record. There should not be an end-of-file mark on the file.
- 4. The record format is fixed; the fields contained in the record must not be delimited. In addition, the record must not be enclosed in quotes.
- 5. Numeric fields on HMDA records must be right-justified and zero-filled. If you are using a product that drops the leading zeros on numeric fields, the data will not pass validity edits.
- 6. The PC diskette(s) or CD-ROM should be labeled with information containing the Respondent name, Identification number, agency code, processing year, contact name, phone number, e-mail address, number of LAR records, and any other pertinent information.
- 7. All diskettes or CD-ROMs submitted must be formatted and virus-free.
- 8. The diskette and CD-ROM will contain two types of record identifiers:
  - 1 = Transmittal Sheet
  - 2 = Loan/Application Register Data
- 9. No zip file(s) will be accepted.
- 10. There should not be any null values (00 in HEX or ASCII char (0)) contained in the file.

#### Submission via Web and Internet E-mail Instructions

The following information describes the procedures for a successful HMDA submission using Submission via Web or Internet E-mail.

#### **Submission via Web**

Submission via Web, an exclusive export feature of the FFIEC HMDA Data Entry Software (DES), is the most secure and efficient method to submit your institution's HMDA data file to the Federal Reserve Board. Submission via Web offers a single step submission process which provides confirmation that the HMDA file was received successfully at the Board. In order to use this new feature, the institution must be included on the 2012 HMDA panel (list of expected reporters). If Submission via Web fails because your institution is not on the 2012 panel, the failure will be recorded in the Error Log accessible in the software directory. E-mail HMDAHELP@frb.gov for instructions on being added to the reporting panel.

- 1. Download a free copy of the HMDA Data Entry Software at http://www.ffiec.gov/software/
- 2. After successful installation of the software, open the software. Initial access into the software will require a validity-free Transmittal Sheet to be completed in its entirety, or the successful import of an existing .DAT file.
- 3. Following the completion of the submission, perform a Batch Edit prior to Exporting the data. If errors are detected, print an Error Report to identify the loan/application records in error and correct the erroneous data. HMDA data containing errors (validity and syntactical errors) cannot be exported to a regulatory agency using Submission via Web or Internet e-mail.
- 4. Once the submission is error free, choose the Export option from the Front Page. A message will appear titled "Submission Checklist". Choose "Continue with Export".
- 5. Choose "Submission via Web" and click "OK". A message box, titled "Submission via Web" will appear. Choose "Continue".
- 6. Choose "Begin". Once the export process is completed successfully, a message box will appear titled "Submission Successful". Print or save the information contained in the message box for submission confirmation. This is your only confirmation of your submission.

#### **Internet E-mail**

- 1-4. Follow steps 1-4 under Submission via Web.
  - 5. Access your Internet e-mail and prepare a message to <a href="https://example.com/HMDASUB@FRB.GOV">HMDASUB@FRB.GOV</a> for data submission.
  - 6. Attach the encrypted HMDA submission file to the e-mail message. The file location and name is C:\HMDA Data Entry Software CCYY\HMDASubmission\HRID\_Agency\_Year.enc.

ONLY attach and e-mail the file name noted above with the '.enc' extension. An electronic Internet submission file that is not prepared using this software WILL NOT be accepted by your regulator as compliant. You will be required to resubmit your data if an invalid, noncompliant submission format is used for electronic submission.

- 7. Type the following text in the body of the e-mail:
  - Respondent ID
  - Agency Code
  - Respondent Name
  - Tax ID
  - Contact Name

- Contact Phone
- Total LAR Count
- 8. Type the following text in the subject line of the e-mail: 2012HMDA, RID #, Regulator Agency Name
- Once the above steps are completed, send the e-mail message with the attached encrypted file to HMDASUB@FRB.GOV.
- 10. Upon receipt of your submission, you will receive an automatic response via e-mail. If you do not receive a reply within 48 hours, please resend the file. This automatic response ONLY confirms that we successfully received your e-mail message; it DOES NOT confirm that a compliant encrypted file (HRID\_Agency\_Year.ENC) was attached. To ensure that your submission is marked as on time, promptly respond to all correspondence regarding HMDA processing.
- 11. The following information highlights the action that is required to be taken on your HMDA data submission. If a compliant file was successfully received and processed, expect the following:
  - a. Your institution's HMDA data file will be processed and an Edit Report will be sent via e-mail or fax. Once the Edit Report is received by your institution, the following actions are required:
    - Review the entire edit report, including all supplemental reports (if applicable) and follow the instructions in the letter.
    - ii. Verify all edits for data accuracy.
    - iii. Verify the Institution Register Summary.
    - iv. Sign and FAX the Confirmation Sheet and supplemental reports (if applicable) to 202-452-6497.
    - v. Your institution's HMDA submission is NOT COMPLETE until the signed Confirmation Sheet and supplemental reports (if applicable) are received successfully.

NOTE: Supplemental reports include the Summary of Q595 Edit Report, the Macro Quality Edit Report and the Q029 Micro Edit Report.

- vi. If data are reported incorrectly, correct your institution's HMDA file and submit a complete resubmission. For guidance on sending a complete resubmission, reference the HMDA FAQs, <a href="http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/faqtech.htm#srs7">http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/faqtech.htm#srs7</a>.
- 12. If your institution DOES NOT RECEIVE an Edit Report via e-mail or fax within 7-10 business days following your submission, e-mail <a href="https://email.com/HMDAHELP@frb.gov">HMDAHELP@frb.gov</a> (HMDASUB@frb.gov is for data submission only). In the subject heading of the e-mail type 'Outstanding Edit Report' and your institution's HMDA reporting ID, agency code and state location.
- 13. Institutions are encouraged to review the FFIEC HMDA Internet resources for answers to HMDA questions prior to sending inquiries to <a href="http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/quick.htm"><u>HMDAHELP@FRB.GOV</u></a>. HMDA resource information can be found at <a href="http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/quick.htm"><u>http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/quick.htm</u></a> and <a href="http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/timeline.htm"><u>http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/timeline.htm</u></a>. Reporting and technical FAQs respond to specific HMDA data collection, report preparation, submission, resubmission, and data entry software issues.

#### **File Encryption Instructions**

The following information describes the procedures for encrypting your HMDA submission if the file is generated outside of the FFIEC HMDA Data Entry Software.

#### **File Encryption**

Institutions utilizing third-party vendor software for HMDA reporting should still take advantage of the Internet E-mail option.

- 1. After successful download of the FFIEC HMDA Data Entry Software from the FFIEC HMDA website at <a href="http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/softinfo.htm">http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/softinfo.htm</a>, you must install the FFIEC HMDA Data Entry Software which contains the stand-alone encryption utility.
- 2. From the Start menu, choose 'Run'. Browse to the saved location of the software download and run the 'HMDA DES 2012 setup.exe' command.
- 3. After successful installation of the Software, Click on "Start", "Programs", "HMDA Data Entry Software", "Encryption Utility". A warning message will appear to inform you that this software does not connect to the Internet. Click "OK" to continue.
- 4. Next you will need to locate your HMDA data file for encryption. If you are using software other than the FFIEC HMDA Data Entry Software, your data file may be named something other than hRID\_Agency\_Year.dat. Please refer to your vendor documentation to determine the name and file location of your HMDA data file.
- 5. Click the "Begin Process" button to start the encryption process. Once the process is complete, a new file named hRID\_Agency\_Yearx.enc will be created. **The file path is the same as the source file.** A message box, titled "HMDA-Prepare for Internet Submission" will appear. **PRINT this message.** The message contains further instructions as well as the e-mail address for your submission. "Close" the box. You have successfully created the hRID\_Agency\_Yearx.enc file for Internet submission.
- 6. Follow steps 5 thru 10 under Internet E-mail to complete the submission process.

#### **Transmittal Sheet**

The Start, End, and Length columns are in BYTES. The Data Type is alphanumeric "AN" or numeric "N". Numeric "N" fields are unpacked, unsigned, and right-justified.

Element Label	Start	End	Length	Data Type	Comments, Values, Keys, etc.
01. Record Identifier	1	1	1	N	Value is 1
02. Respondent-ID	2	11	10	AN	Assigned by your federal regulatory agency. Format is right-justified and zero filled.
03. Agency Code	12	12	1	N	Values are 1=OCC, 2=FRS, 3=FDIC, 5=NCUA, 7=HUD, or 9=CFPB
04. Timestamp	13	24	12	N	Format is century, year, month, day, hour, minute (e.g., Jan. 17, 2012, at 1:30 pm would be 201201171330)
05. Filler	25	25	1	AN	Blank
06. Activity Year	26	29	4	N	Four digit year (e.g., 2012)
07. Tax ID	30	39	10	AN	Format is 99-9999999
08. Total Line Entries	40	46	7	N	The number of line entries contained in the accompanying Loan/Application Register
09. Respondent Name	47	76	30	AN	Left-justified and upper case
10. Respondent Address	77	116	40	AN	Left-justified
11. Respondent City	117	141	25	AN	Left-justified
12. Respondent State	142	143	2	AN	Postal Code abbreviation
13. Respondent Zip	144	153	10	AN	Format is 99999 left-justified or Code 99999-9999
14. Parent Name	154	183	30	AN	If applicable
15. Parent Address	184	223	40	AN	If applicable
16. Parent City	224	248	25	AN	If applicable
17. Parent State	249	250	2	AN	If applicable
18. Parent Zip Code	251	260	10	AN	If applicable; format is 99999 left-justified or 99999-9999
19. Contact Person's Name	261	290	30	AN	For questionable data, reports, or other issues that may arise during an annual processing cycle.
20. Contact Person's Phone Number	291	302	12	AN	Format is 999-999-9999

# **Transmittal Sheet (Cont'd)**

Element Label	Start	End	Length	Data Type	Comments, Values, Keys, etc.
21. Contact Person's Facsimile Number	303	314	12	AN	Format is 999-999-9999
22. Contact Person's E-mail Address	315	380*	66	AN	Enter only one e-mail address. E-mail address must contain only one @ symbol. Format is left-justified.
*CRLF (0D0A)					Carriage Return/Line Feed for PC diskette or CD-ROM reporting only

## **Loan/Application Register**

The Start, End, and Length columns are in BYTES. The Data Type is alphanumeric "AN" or numeric "N." Numeric "N" fields are unpacked, unsigned, and right-justified.

Element Label	Start	End	Length	Data Type	Comments, Values, Keys, etc.
01. Record Identifier	1	1	1	N	Value is 2
02. Respondent-ID	2	11	10	AN	Assigned by your federal regulatory agency. Format is right-justified and zero-filled.
03. Agency Code	12	12	1	N	Values are 1=OCC, 2=FRS, 3=FDIC, 5=NCUA, 7=HUD, or 9=CFPB
04. Loan/Application Number	13	37	25	AN	Unique identifier across the home office and branch sites
05. Date Application Received	38	45	8	AN	Format is ccyymmdd or NA left-justified
06. Loan Type	46	46	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, or 4
07. Property Type	47	47	1	N	Values are 1, 2, or 3
08. Loan Purpose	48	48	1	N	Values are 1, 2, or 3
09. Owner Occupancy	49	49	1	N	Values are 1, 2, or 3
10. Loan Amount	50	54	5	N	Report in thousands, round to the nearest thousand with leading zeros and without commas
11. Preapprovals	55	55	1	N	Values are 1, 2, or 3
12. Type of Action Taken	56	56	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8
13. Date of Action	57	64	8	N	Format is ccyymmdd
14. Metropolitan Statistica Area/Metropolitan Division	al 65	69	5	AN	Metropolitan Statistical Area or Metropolitan Division (if appropriate) code or NA left-justified
15. State Code	70	71	2	AN	FIPS code with leading zeros or NA left-justified
16. County Code	72	74	3	AN	FIPS code with leading zeros or NA left-justified
17. Census Tract	75	81	7	AN	Include decimal point and any leading or trailing zeros or NA left-justified
18. Applicant Ethnicity	82	82	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, or 4
19. Co-applicant Ethnicity	83	83	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5

# **Loan/Application Register (Cont'd)**

Element Label	Start	End	Length	Data Type	Comments, Values, Keys, etc.
20. Applicant Race: 1	84	84	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7
21. Applicant Race: 2	85	85	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or blank
22. Applicant Race: 3	86	86	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or blank
23. Applicant Race: 4	87	87	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or blank
24. Applicant Race: 5	88	88	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or blank
25. Co-applicant Race: 1	89	89	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8
26. Co-applicant Race: 2	90	90	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or blank
27. Co-applicant Race: 3	91	91	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or blank
28. Co-applicant Race: 4	92	92	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or blank
29. Co-applicant Race: 5	93	93	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or blank
30. Applicant Sex	94	94	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, or 4
31. Co-applicant Sex	95	95	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5
32. Applicant Income	96	99	4	AN	Report in thousands, round to the nearest thousand with leading zeros and without commas or NA left-justified
33. Type of Purchaser	100	100	1	N	Values are 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9
34. Denial Reason: 1	101	101	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or blank
35. Denial Reason: 2	102	102	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or blank
36. Denial Reason: 3	103	103	1	AN	Values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or blank
37. Rate Spread	104	108	5	AN	Enter the rate spread to two decimal places. Include the decimal point and any leading or trailing zeros or NA left-justified
38. HOEPA Status	109	109	1	N	Values are 1 or 2
39. Lien Status	110	110	1	N	Values are 1, 2, 3, or 4
40. Filler	111	380*	270	AN	Blank
*CRLF (0D0A)					Carriage Return/Line Feed for PC diskette or CD-ROM reporting only