

## Announcement 17-52

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## Topic: Freddie Mac 2017-12: Rental Income

For all LPA approved conventional loans, PennyMac is aligning with the updates announced in Freddie Mac Bulletin 2017-12 regarding rental income and self-employed income changes. Lenders may implement these changes earlier, however, loans using the current rental income calculation must be delivered to PennyMac on or before January 16<sup>th</sup> and purchased on or before January 29<sup>th</sup>. All loans delivered on or after January 17<sup>th</sup> must be underwritten to the updated guidelines.

Due to the complex nature of the changes, Lenders are encouraged to review both Freddie Mac Bulletin 2017-12 and Section 5306.1 in Freddie Mac's Guide for complete details. High level summary of the changes include:

- Rental income calculation updated to detail how the principal portion of the mortgage payment is accounted for in the DTI.
  - Freddie Mac is more closely aligning with Fannie Mae in the treatment of the principal portion of the mortgage for rental properties.
  - Net cash flow from the tax returns is calculated and then the PITIA is deducted from the net cash flow.
- Rental income allowed up to a maximum of 30% of the qualifying income when the borrower does not have a documented one-year history of investment property management experience. Examples:

Non-Rental Income	Net Rental Income	Total Income	Calculation	Eligible Amount of Rental Income	Eligible Amount of Total Income
\$5,000	\$1,500	\$6,500	\$6,500 x 30% = \$1,950	\$1,500	\$6,500 (\$5,000 + \$1,500)
\$2,500	\$2,625	\$5,125	\$5,125 x 30% = \$1,537.50	\$1,537.50	\$4,037.50 (\$2,500 + \$1,537.50)

- Additional guidance on how to document and calculate rental income from short term (e.g. AirBnB) vs long term sources.
  - Short term rental sources, such as nightly or weekly rentals, require minimum two years' tax returns to support income stability and continuance.

- Long term rental sources may be eligible with one year's tax returns with an original lease agreement of at least 12 months.
- Form 998 is retired, and form 1000 with comparable rent data re-introduced.

Please contact your Sales Representative with any questions.