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## PROCEDURE NOTICE

### RD MANUAL CHANGES

INSERT RD INS 440.1  
(WSAL)

**INTEREST RATES, AMORTIZATION,  
GUARANTEE FEE, ANNUAL CHARGE, AND  
FIXED PERIOD.** This Instruction is  
partially revised as follows:

Exhibit B, to update various program rates and the Treasury Judgement Rate,  
effective July 1, 2020.

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Exhibit B: Pages 1 & 2 (Rev 7).

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Exhibit B: [Pages 1 & 2 \(Rev 8\)](#).

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**SERVICING CASES WHERE UNAUTHORIZED LOAN(S)  
OR OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WAS RECEIVED-**

**COMMUNITY AND INSURED BUSINESS PROGRAMS.** Exhibit B is partially revised  
to update program interest rates for July 1, 2020.

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Exhibit B: Pages 3 & 4 (Rev 11).

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Exhibit B: [Pages 3 & 4 \(Rev 12\)](#).

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READ PROCEDURE - DISCUSS IN STAFF CONFERENCE - KEEP PROCEDURE MANUAL UP TO DATE

**RD HANDBOOK CHANGES**

**INSERT RD HB-1-3550  
(WSAL)**

**DIRECT SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING LOANS  
AND GRANTS FIELD OFFICE HANDBOOK.** This Handbook is partially revised. The specific revisions are outlined below:

**Chapter 7:**

Exhibit 7-1, to reflect recent dates and current tax/insurance amounts.

Paragraph 7.12 (B), to provide: guidance that is consistent with FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program and RD Instruction 426.2; a hyperlink to CoreLogic's automated flood determination website; and clarification regarding allowable private insurance policies and when flood insurance is and is not required.

Paragraph 7.13, to clarify that the 1st year premium must be paid 'before or at the time of closing'.

Attachment 7-C, to clarify the fire and extended hazard insurance coverage requirements and to clarify that the 1st year premium must be paid 'before or at the time of closing'.

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Chapter 7 dated 01-23-03:  
Pages 7-3 thru 7-11; and  
Attachment 7-C.

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Chapter 7 dated 01-23-03:  
[Pages 7-3 thru 7-11 revised](#); and  
[Attachment 7-C revised 07-16-20](#).

**FORM**

**REPLACEMENT**

**RD 3550-7**  
**(WSAL)**

**FUNDING COMMITMENT AND NOTIFICATION  
OF LOAN CLOSING** revised 07-20.

Prescribed in RD Handbook HB-1-3550. The

Form and FMI are revised to reflect the proposed fire and extended hazard insurance coverage clarification; and to realign the signature lines. This Form and FMI are available on the Rural Development Instructions home page (<http://www.rd.usda.gov/publications/regulations-guidelines>). No paper copy distribution of this form will be made, and it will not be stocked in the warehouse.

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FMI revised 05-15-19.

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FMI revised 07-16-20.

**FORM**

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**RD 3550-23**

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Form and FMI are revised to reflect the flood insurance changes. This Form and FMI are available on the Rural Development Instructions home page (<http://www.rd.usda.gov/publications/regulations-guidelines>). No paper copy distribution of this form will be made, and it will not be stocked in the warehouse.

**APPLICANT ORIENTATION GUIDE** revised 07-20.

Prescribed in RD Handbook HB-1-3550. The

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FMI revised 12-12-19.

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FMI revised 07-16-20.

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