Guideline	Product	Comment
Appraisal	All	Appraisal condition Ratings of C5 and C6 are ineligible.
Borrower Type Restrictions	FNMA and FHA	 Borrowers must be able to prove legal residency in the United States per Agency Guidelines. Borrowers in DACA status are Eligible for FNMA or FHA loans only. Social Security numbers are required. ITIN will not be accepted Life Estates
CAIVRS	FHA, VA, USDA, HUD184	CAIVRS must be clear (not applicable on FHA Streamline).
Cannabis Income	All	 Income associated with a cannabis business is ineligible for purchase Relates to ALL income both W2 and Self-Employment
Construction/Perm	All	• Construction/Perm single or one-time close loans which utilize a modification agreement, or a construction loan rider are ineligible.
Credit Reject	FHA	Loans with a Credit Reject on FHA Connection not allowed.
Credit Report	ALL	 Non-Delegated loans only: Credit reports cannot exceed 90 days at the time of submission for underwriting. Rapid Rescore is not allowed
Credit Score Requirement	Conventional	 ≥620 with AUS Approval Approve/Eligible or Accept/Accept. Manual underwrite not allowed. At least one Borrower must have a credit score. Borrower(s) with no credit score and non-traditional credit are allowed subject to agency guidelines. Please use the lowest middle Representative Credit Score from the Borrower(s) with credit score(s) when pricing the loan in the GEMS system.
	FHA & VA	 ≥620 with AUS Approval & Manual Underwrite Primary Borrower must have a credit score. Co-borrowers with no credit scores and non-traditional credit are allowed subject to agency guidelines. Please use a value of 100 in the Representative Credit Score field when pricing the loan in the GEMS system, so appropriate pricing adjustments will be calculated.
	USDA	 ≥640 with GUS Approval and Manual Underwrite Primary Borrower must have a credit score. Co-borrowers with no credit scores and non-traditional credit are allowed subject to agency guidelines. Please use a value of 100 in the Representative Credit Score field when pricing the loan in the GEMS system, so appropriate pricing adjustments will be calculated.
	HUD 184	 ≥620 for Manual Underwrite Primary Borrower must have a credit score. Co-borrowers with no credit scores and non-traditional credit are allowed subject to agency guidelines. Please use a value of 100 in the Representative Credit Score field when pricing the loan in the GEMS system, so appropriate pricing adjustments will be calculated.



Down Payment & Mortgage Payment Assistance	FHA, VA, HUD 184 Conventional	 All assistance programs must be prior approved by Gateway to meet specific agency guidelines. Only Government entity (Federal, State, County, Tribal, etc.) approved programs considered. The originating Correspondent Lender is responsible for compliance with all assistance program guidelines, including any current or future reporting to the borrower, government, or assistance agency Seller funded, Bond and Section 8 programs are not allowed. Third Liens not allowed.
	USDA	Down Payment and Mortgage Payment Assistance Programs not allowed.
DTI	Conventional	LP Accept/Accept or DU Approve/Eligible
	FHA &VA	 LP Accept/Acceptor DU Approve/Eligible Manual Underwrite allowed, up to 43% DTI for FHA and 41% DTI for VA, must include DU/LP Findings with 2 months required reserves and meet applicable Agency guidelines including compensating factors.
	HUD 184	41% DTI and up to 43% DTI with compensating factors
	USDA	 GUS Accept Manual Underwrite allowed up to 41% DTI with 2 months required reserves and 44% DTI maximum with compensating factors
Eligible States	Gateway First and Second Liens	 Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming
Escrow Holdback	All	Escrow Holdbacks must be completed prior to loan purchase, as evidenced by satisfactory final inspection.
Escrow Waiver	Conventional	 All states allowed on LTV 80% or less if all items listed are met: Flood Insurance is not required Loan is not HPML All states, except California, allowed on LTV >80% to <90% LTV if all items listed above are met, including these items as well: Maximum DTI 40% Minimum Credit Score 720 Mortgage Insurance must be single premium (Lender or Borrower paid) No bankruptcy, foreclosure, short sale or short payoff dismissed, discharged or completed in last 3 year
	Government	Ineligible for Escrow Waivers



Complete agency guidelines for FHA, VA, USDA, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, ONAP are available on their respective websites and Gateway Product Descriptions; Gateway agency guideline overlays are as follows:

Guideline	Product	Comment
Ineligible Loan Types and Features	All	 Temporary Interest Rate Buydowns Section 32, "high cost" loans (as defined by the Agencies or applicable federal or state regulation)
	Conventional	Freddie Mac Relief Refinance Mortgage.
Ineligible Properties	All	 Condos in litigation, Leasehold, Tribal Land, Cooperatives, Mobile Homes, Condotel, Timeshares, Group Homes, Unimproved Land, Working Farms and Ranches, Property currently in litigation, Properties with encroachments, Properties located in a Lava Zone, Properties held in a business name, Properties with resale deed restrictions (55+ Acceptable), Zoning violations (including residential properties zoned commercial), Commercial Enterprises (i.e. Bed and Breakfast, Boarding House, Hotel), Illinois Land Trusts. Any unique properties must be supported by like comps.
	USDA & HUD184	2-4 Units not allowed
	HUD REO \$100 Down	3-4 Units not allowed
Investment Property/Second Home	All	 TRID rules apply requiring Loan Estimate and Closing Disclosure for all Second Homes and cash-out refinance investment. When the borrower does not own a primary residence, any investment property loan must qualify with full PITI payment. No Rental Income considered for any lease executed with a family member or interested party to the transaction. See also Non-Arm's Length and Primary Residence Conversion
LTV/CLTV Overlay	Conventional-DU High LTV	 Original LTV > 80% and MI still in force – Current MI certificate must be transferred from one of the Gateway- approved MI companies. Copy of transferred MI certificate required prior to loan purchase. MI coverage from any other provider unacceptable. DU may offer a property Fieldwork Waiver. If offered, DU must be rerun with the estimated value provided by DU. All Texas Equity properties require full Fannie Form 1004 regardless of AUS finding. ** Acquisition of high LTV refinance loans are currently suspended by FNMA
	Conventional-DU High LTV	Occupancy Units LTV/CLTV • Primary 1-4 150% • 2nd Home 1 150% • Investment 1-4 150%
	Conventional-SOFR ARM and High Balance SOFR ARM	Maximum 90%
Manufactured Homes		See manufactured Homes Product Descriptions for additional overlays around credit score, LTV, ineligible properties, loan purpose, occupancy, etc. Gateway

CORRESPONDENT LENDING

Guideline	Product	Comment
Mortgage Insurance	Conventional	 Approved MI companies: Arch, Essent Guaranty, Enact (formerly Genworth), MGIC, National MI, and Radian.
Natural Disasters	All	Refer to Client Guide Chapter 2 Eligible Mortgage Loans and follow Agency Guidelines
Non-Arm's Length and Conflict of Interest	All	 Non-arms-length and Conflict of Interest transactions are transactions in which there is a relationship or business affiliation (any ownership interest, or employment) between the borrower, seller, lender, and/or builder/developer. Non-arms-length transactions require full documentation including 2 years federal tax returns and Fannie 1004. Non-arms-length transactions not allowed on new construction of a second home or investment property. No Rental Income considered for any lease executed with family member or interested party to the purchase or loan transaction.
Principal Curtailments at Closing	All	• For all loans other than "No Cash-out" or "Limited Cash-out" refinances (excluding Texas Home Equity Refinances), a curtailment to refund the overpayment of fees or charges paid by the borrower may not exceed lesser of 2% of the loan amount or \$500 (\$250max on "DU HLTV (High LTV)), in accordance with applicable regulatory guidelines, and must be clearly reflected as a Principal Curtailment on the Closing Disclosure.
Tax Returns	All	Amended Tax returns – Tax returns that are amended after loan application for the purpose of increasing qualifying income will not be considered by underwriting. Addition of rental income or other schedules as well as the deletion of 2106 expenses will not be taken into account. Original filings, prior to amendment will be used to calculate income.
Tax Transcripts	Second Home	Second homes require tax transcripts when tax return income is used to qualify.
Third Party Originators	All	TPO Client approval is granted on a case-by-case basis. This overlay matrix does not contain all of the overlays for TPO products. Approved TPO clients must also refer to their Third-Party Origination Addendum Correspondent Loan Purchase and Sale Agreement for applicable product overlays.



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Underwriting	All	 Clients are required to use the AUS System that corresponds with the selected Agency Loan Program (AUS Pure). If AUS Findings delivered do not match the Agency Locked Loan Program, pricing will be adjusted based on the delivered AUS Findings for purchase at the date/time of initial Locked Loan. The Agency locked loan program name needs to match supporting AUS Findings. Income calculation worksheet must be in the file, or explanation of how the income was calculated must be on transmittal form for delegated submissions. The Loan Officer cannot be the underwriter.
	Conventional	 Fannie Mae DU with Approve/Eligible or Freddie Mac LP with Accept/Accept Manual Underwrite not allowed
	USDA	 Must be underwritten by a Correspondent Employed Underwriter with Gateway delegated USDA approval and GUS Accept required. Gateway may purchase, at Gateway's sole discretion and subject to the terms set forth below USDA loans that have been manually underwritten by a client. To be eligible for purchase, each such loan must meet all manual underwriting guidelines as prescribed by USDA and are subject to further restrictions as described in Gateway's Overlay Matrix. All other terms and conditions applicable to the sale or repurchase of the loan remain in full force and effect. Gateway reserves the right to pass on the purchase of any such loan at Gateway's sole and complete discretion. Once underwritten, file must be submitted to RD office in the state in which the property is located to obtain a Conditional Commitment Prior to closing. Manual Underwrite: Include GUS Findings if submitted to GUS
	HUD 184	 Manual Underwrite if Direct Guarantee correspondent or ONAP prior approval required. Gateway may purchase, at Gateway's sole discretion and subject to the terms set forth below HUD 184 loans that have been manually underwritten by a client. To be eligible for purchase, each such loan must meet all manual underwriting guidelines as prescribed by ONAP and are subject to further restrictions as described in Gateway's Overlay Matrix. All other terms and conditions applicable to the sale or repurchase of the loan remain in full force and effect. Gateway reserves the right to pass on the purchase of any such loan at Gateway's sole and complete discretion.
	FHA	 Gateway may purchase, at Gateway's sole discretion and subject to the terms set forth below, FHA loans that have been manually underwritten by a client. To be eligible for purchase, each such loan must meet all manual underwriting guidelines as prescribed by FHA and are subject to further restrictions as described in Gateway's Overlay Matrix. All other terms and conditions applicable to the sale or repurchase of the loan remain in full force and effect. Gateway reserves the right to pass on the purchase of any such loan at Gateway's sole and complete discretion. Manual Underwrite: Include DU/LPA Findings if submitted to DU or LPA.
	VA	 Veterans with full entitlement: Gateway will allow loans up to \$1 Million (excluding VAFF) without a down payment, with AUS Approve/Eligible. Manual underwrites will only apply to IRRRL's and loans below county loan limits (CLL). All VA Cash out refinances are limited to 90%. Gateway may purchase, at Gateway's sole discretion and subject to the terms set forth below, VA loans that have been manually underwritten by a client. To be eligible for purchase, each such loan must meet all manual underwriting guidelines as prescribed by VA and are subject to further restrictions as described in Gateway's Overlay Matrix. All other terms and conditions applicable to the sale or repurchase of the loan remain in full force and effect. Gateway reserves the right to pass on the purchase of any such loan at Gateway's sole and complete discretion. Manual Underwrite: Include DU/LPA Findings if submitted to DU or LPA