

# **Extended Rate Lock Program with Float-Down Option**

#### **Eligible Products and Terms**

- The Program only applies to New Construction Only
- Highlands Residential Mortgage Conforming 30yr Fixed Loans
- 120-day lock- use 50 day lock rate add .25% to rate
- 180-day lock- use 50 day lock rate and add .375% to rate
- 270 day lock- use 50 day lock rate and add 1.00% to rate
- 360 day lock- use 50 day lock rate and add 1.00% to rate
- Rates can be bought down with additional discount points

### **Up-Front Deposit**

- If a borrower wishes to secure a Long-Term Lock, a 1.00% Up-Front deposit is required.
- This deposit cannot be waived and must be collected from the borrower prior to initial lock-in.
- The deposit will be a credit back to the borrower at the closing table
- The Extended Rate Lock Agreement must be completed and signed by the borrower(s) along with a check from the borrower for the 1.00% deposit. (1% of the Loan Amount) and additional buydown points are available upon request.
- The check must be made payable to Highlands Residential Mortgage and must be received by out accounting department with 72 hours of the lock date.

#### Refund of Up-Front Deposit

The Up-Front Deposit will be credited to the borrower at the Closing table. The Deposit is non-refundable unless the customer's loan is denied.

#### **One Time Float-Down Option**

- The Float-Down can only be exercised <u>once</u> during the lock-in period and must be exercised within 30-days prior to closing.
- The Float-Down rate is based on the current 50-day rate lock plus 0.50% point cost.
- The Float-Down Option is applicable for the lesser of 30 days or through the remainder of the lock-in period, whichever expires first.
- The newer lower interest rate from the Float-Down does not extend the lock-in period.
- The rate lock can be extended if needed before the lock expires at a cost to the borrower.

#### **Example of float down Calculation**

Float down calculation is current market plus an additional .50 points in price. The resulting price cannot exceed the original locked price. For Example:

- Original Locked Pricing = 4.5% @ 0 points
- Current Market Pricing = 4.25% @ 0 points
- Float down pricing options = 4.25% @ 0.50 point or 4.375% @ 0 points

In the above scenario, 4.5% @ .25 points is not an available option if the market improves and it does not provide a 0.25 reduction of the locked rate price, and the final price would exceed the original locked price.

## **Extending an Initial Lock**

If the loan does not fund within the initial term of the Extended Lock, the loan may be extended at a .25 point fee for each 10 day extension. The maximum extension term of the lock may not exceed 75 days from the expiration of initial extended lock.

### **Change of Loan Amount**

If the loan amount changes but stays within the same product, you can make up to a 10% change in the loan amount, with no penalties, prior to exercising the Float-Down option. If the loan amount changes by more than 10%, the borrower is subject to worst-case pricing compared to current market. If the loan amount changes after exercising the Float-Down option, even within the 10% tolerance, the borrower is subject to worst-case pricing compared to market at the time of the change.

#### **Change of Address**

The borrower can change property addresses and keep the same lock as long as (1.) the loan amount does not change by more than 10%, and (2.) they do not change loan programs.

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