

Announcement 16-19W

Topic VA Interest Rate Reduction Loan (IRRRL) - Recoupment Period (REVISED)

Effective with loans submitted on and after Wednesday, June 26th, 2019

All VA Interest Rate Reduction Loans must meet the 36 month recoupment period and rate reduction as mandated by <u>Circular 26–18–13</u>. The recoupment period must be calculated as defined in <u>Circular 26–18–1</u>. The required rate reduction is 50 bps (0.50%) unless moving from a Fixed Rate to an Adjustable Rate which requires a 200 bps (2.00%) reduction in interest rate.

The exceptions to the 36 month recoupment period due to a reduced term or refinancing from an ARM to a Fixed rate that were previously allowed will no longer be allowed. All VA IRRRLs must meet the 36 month recoupment requirement.

All VA Interest Rate Reduction Loans must meet standards as mandated by <u>Circular 26-19-22</u>, regardless of application date.