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- (b) Rents when tenants fail to recertify. If a borrower can document that a tenant received a notice specifying a tenant recertification date and the tenant fails to comply by the specified date or fails to cooperate with verification or other procedures related to the tenant's recertification so that the tenant recertification cannot be completed by the recertification date, the borrower, within 10 days of the recertification date, shall give the tenant and the Agency written notification that:
- (1) Termination proceedings are being initiated, in accordance with §3560.159; and
- (2) The tenant will be charged note rent until the tenant's lease is terminated.
- (c) Unauthorized assistance due to tenant recertification failure. Any unauthorized assistance received because of the tenant's failure to be recertified will be collected in accordance with the provisions of subpart O of this part.
- (d) Rents when borrowers fail to recertify tenants. If a borrower cannot document that a tenant received a recertification notice, and a tenant is not recertified within 12 months of the most recently executed tenant certification, tenants shall continue to make net tenant contributions to rent based on their most recent tenant certification and the borrower must remit to the Agency full overage as if the tenant was paying the note rent until the tenant is recertified.
- (e) Unauthorized assistance due to borrower recertification failure. Any unauthorized assistance received as a result of the borrower's failure to recertify a tenant will be collected from the borrower in accordance with the provisions of subpart O of this part and may not be paid from housing project funds or funds collected from the tenant.

§ 3560.209 Rent collection.

- (a) General. Borrowers must collect rents on a monthly basis and maintain a system for collecting and tracking rents
- (b) Fees for late rent payments. Borrowers may adopt a late fee schedule for overdue rental payments. Late fee schedules must be submitted to the Agency for approval as part of the housing project's management plan, be

- in accordance with State and local law, and consistent with the following requirements:
- (1) A grace period of 10 days from the rental payment due date must be allowed for all tenants.
- (2) The late fee must not exceed the higher of \$10 or an amount equal to 5 percent of the tenant's gross tenant contribution.
- (3) Tenants receiving housing benefits from sources other than the Agency may be subject to the late rent fee requirements of the other funding sources
- (c) Improperly advanced rents. Improperly advanced interest credit or rental assistance is considered unauthorized assistance and is subject to recapture in accordance with subpart O of this part.

§ 3560.210 Special note rents (SNRs).

When a Plan II housing project is experiencing severe vacancies due to market conditions, the Agency may allow the borrower to charge an SNR, which is less than note rent but higher than basic rent, to attract or retain tenants whose income level would require them to pay special note rent. The requirements for requesting and receiving an SNR are established under § 3560.454.

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