

MOBILE HOME SELF-INSURED OPTION (MHSI) – SUMMARY

MaineHousing self-insures eligible mobile home loans having a loan-to-value greater than 80% and less than or equal to 95%. Borrowers are required to pay a higher interest rate in lieu of paying mortgage insurance. Eligible property types include single-wide and double-wide mobile homes located on owned land, approved parks or privately leased lots.

Eligible Applicants	<p>First-time homebuyers and those who have not owned their own homes in the past 3 years. Exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persons who have owned unattached mobile home on leased land • Honorably discharged veterans, retired military & active duty military who have owned a home within the past 3 years but have sold it prior to the MaineHousing closing 	
Underwriting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum debt ratios: 33% for housing (PITI)/45% for total debt to income • Minimum credit score of 640 • Presented with strong compensating factors, MaineHousing will consider exceptions on a case-by-case basis. Underwriter must submit Underwriting Risk Assessment form HMP-54 and obtain MaineHousing’s (written) approval three days prior to closing. 	
Income Limits	Household income limits apply, and vary by location and household size	
Purchase Price Limits	\$200,000 for leased land, \$250,000 for owned land, statewide	
Seller Contributions	Up to 3% of the Purchase Price may be used toward closing costs and prepaid expenses. Seller may not contribute to the down payment.	
Property Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single-wide and double-wide mobile homes < 20 years of age, must be permanently attached per code at the time of closing • Must be owner occupied within 60 days of closing • Units located in an approved park require a written lease with the same term as the mortgage • Commercial use limit. Must not use more than 15% of the residence for trade or business. Includes total square footage of all buildings. 	
Terms	Mobile Home Age	Loan term must equal:
	0-10 years	30 years
	11-15 years	25 years
	16-20 years	20 years
Down Payment	5% down payment required; 3% must be from borrowers’ own funds (even if combined with Advantage)	
Advantage	MaineHousing’s down payment and closing cost assistance option can provide \$5,000 toward the cash needed for closing. Applicants choosing Advantage must take a homeWorks approved homebuyer education class prior to closing and must make a minimum borrower contribution of 1% of the loan amount. The 1% requirement can be met within the 3% “own funds” down payment requirement, and not in addition to it. The cost of the homebuyer education class counts towards the 1%.	
Purchase Plus Improvement	Allows borrowers to add up to \$35,000 to the loan amount for repairs. Note: The total of home purchase price and repairs must not exceed \$250,000.	
Interest Rate	Current First Home rate except for Mobile Home Self Insured loans.	
	Program Option	Rate Add-on
	Mobile Home Self Insured	1.00%

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