

To:All District of Columbia Policy Issuing Agents of WFG National Title Insurance CompanyFrom:WFG Underwriting DepartmentDate:October 9, 2017Bulletin No.DC 2017-03Subject:Reduced Recordation Tax Rate for First-Time D.C. Homebuyers

For deeds recorded on or after October 1, 2017, the recordation tax rate for a "first-time District homebuyer" will be reduced as follows:

- For improved residential property, the recordation tax rate is 0.725%. Transfer taxes owed by the seller of 1.1% or 1.45% are unchanged.
- For transfers of economic interests in a cooperative housing unit, the recordation tax rate is reduced from 2.2% to 1.825% for units under \$400,000, and from 2.9% to 2.175% for units \$400,000 and higher. There is no transfer tax.

An application for the reduced rate must be made at the time the deed is submitted for recordation by using Form ROD 11, which can be found at this link: <u>https://otr.cfo.dc.gov/book/recorder-deeds-tax-forms/rod-tax-forms-page-1</u>

Instructions on how to fill out the form may be found here: <u>https://otr.cfo.dc.gov/node/1272871</u>

Please note that income, eligibility, and housing eligibility requirements apply.

Please contact a WFG underwriter if you have any questions about this topic.

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