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This chart summarizes the COVID-19 waivers/alternative requirements the PHA may choose to apply to its EHVs and the periods of availability. PHAs must keep written documentation on the waivers applied by the PHA as well as the effective dates.

Waiver Code in Notice PIH 2021-14 (see for details)	Statutory and regulatory waivers		Summary of alternative requirements		vailability eriod Ends	Implemented/ Date
PH and HCV-4 Family Income and Composition: Interim Examinations	Statutory Authority Section 3(a)(1)  Regulatory Authority §§ 5.233(a)(2), 982.516(c)(2), 960.257(a), (b) and (d), 960.259(c)  Sub-regulatory Guidance Notice PIH 2018-18	•	Waives the requirement to use the income verification requirements, including the use of EIV, for interim reexaminations	•	12/31/21	Yes, 5/26/2021
PH and HCV-5 Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) Monitoring	Regulatory Authority § 5.233  Sub-regulatory Guidance Notice PIH 2018-18	•	Waives the mandatory EIV monitoring requirements	•	12/31/21	Yes, 5/26/2021
HQS-1 Initial Inspection Requirements	Statutory Authority Section 8(o)(8)(A)(i), Section 8(o)(8)(C)  Regulatory Authority §§ 982.305(a), 982.305(b), 982.405	•	Changes initial inspection requirements, allowing for owner certification that there are no life-threatening deficiencies Where self-certification was used, PHA must inspect as soon as reasonably possible but no later than 6/30/22.	•	12/31/21	Yes, 5/26/2021

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		•	HQS waiver does not include a waiver of 24 CFR 35.15, visual assessment for deteriorated paint			
HQS-3 Initial Inspection: Non-Life- Threatening Deficiencies (NLT) Option	Statutory Authority Section 8(o)(8)(A)(ii)  Sub-regulatory Guidance HOTMA HCV Federal Register Notice January 18, 2017	•	Allows for extension of up to 30 days for owner repairs of non-life threatening conditions	•	12/31/21	Yes, 5/26/2021
HQS-4 HQS Initial Inspection Requirement: Alternative Inspection Option	Statutory Authority Section 8(o)(8)(A)(iii)  Sub-regulatory Guidance HOTMA HCV Federal Register Notice January 18, 2017	•	Under Initial HQS Alternative Inspection Option - allows for commencement of assistance payments based on owner certification there are no lifethreatening deficiencies Where self-certification was used, PHA must inspect the unit as soon as reasonably possible but no later than 6/30/22.	•	12/31/21	Yes, 5/26/2021
HQS-6 HQS Interim Inspections	Statutory Authority Section 8(o)(8)(F)  Regulatory Authority §§ 982.405(g), 983.103(e)	•	Waives the requirement for the PHA to conduct interim inspection and requires alternative method Allows for repairs to be verified by alternative methods	•	12/31/21	Yes. 5/26/2021
HQS-9 HQS Quality Control Inspections	Regulatory Authority §§ 982.405(b), 983.103(e)(3)	•	Provides for a suspension of the requirement for QC sampling inspections	•	12/31/21	Yes. 5/26/2021

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HQS-10 Housing Quality Standards: Space and Security	Regulatory Authority § 982.401(d)	Waives the requirement that each dwelling unit have at least 1 bedroom or living/sleeping room for each 2 persons.	Remains in effect one year from beginning of lease term	Yes, abide by CoB Code 5/26/2021
HCV-1 Administrative Plan	Regulatory Authority § 982.54(a)	<ul> <li>Establishes an alternative requirement that policies may be adopted without board approval until 9/30/21</li> <li>Any provisions adopted informally must be adopted formally by 12/31/21</li> </ul>	<ul><li>9/30/21</li><li>12/31/21</li></ul>	Yes, 5/26/2021
HCV-2 Information When Family is Selected: PHA Oral Briefing	Regulatory Authority §§ 982.301(a)(1), 983.252(a)	<ul> <li>Waives the requirement for an oral briefing</li> <li>Provides for alternative methods to conduct required voucher briefing</li> </ul>	• 12/31/21	Yes, 5/26/2021
HCV-3 Term of Voucher: Extensions of Term	Regulatory Authority § 982.303(b)(1)	<ul> <li>Allows PHAs to provide voucher extensions regardless of current PHA policy</li> <li>Note that the initial term of the EHV must be a minimum of 120 days (see section 9.m of this notice)</li> </ul>	• 12/31/21	Yes, 5/26/2021
HCV-4 PHA Approval of Assisted Tenancy: When HAP Contract is Executed	Regulatory Authority § 982.305(c)	<ul> <li>Provides for HAP payments for contracts not executed within 60 days</li> <li>PHA must not pay HAP to owner until HAP contract is executed</li> </ul>	• 12/31/21	No

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HCV-5 Absence from Unit	Regulatory Authority § 982.312	<ul> <li>Allows for PHA discretion on absences from units longer than 180 days</li> <li>PHAs must not make HAP payments beyond 12/31/20 for units vacant more than 180 consecutive days</li> <li>12/31/21 Yes, 5/26/2021</li> </ul>
HCV-6 Automatic Termination of HAP Contract	Regulatory Authority § 982.455	<ul> <li>Allows PHA to extend the period of time after the last HAP payment is made before the HAP contract terminates automatically.</li> <li>12/31/21 Yes, 5/26/2021</li> </ul>