

WORKSHEET

Escrow Deficiency Repayment Rules Worksheet

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TEST DEFICIENCY

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WHEN TO USE

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FEDERAL / PRIMARY REFERENCE

12 CFR § 1024.17(f) · 12 CFR § 1024.17(b)

Federal baseline to check

- ☐ A deficiency is a negative escrow account balance confirmed by an escrow analysis.
- ☐ If the deficiency is less than one monthly escrow payment and the borrower is current, the servicer may leave it, require repayment within 30 days, or require two or more equal monthly payments.
- ☐ If the deficiency is at least one monthly escrow payment and the borrower is current, the servicer may leave it or require repayment in two or more equal monthly payments; if the borrower is not current, the mortgage documents can govern recovery.

BORROWER AND LOAN

Borrower name _____	Property address _____
Loan/account number _____	Servicer name _____

Negative balance

Lowest / negative escrow balance: \$_____ on _____

Notes: _____

One-month threshold

Monthly escrow payment used for threshold: \$_____

Notes: _____

Repayment treatment

Deficiency: \$_____ Repayment treatment / number of installments: _____

Notes: _____

Current-status check

Current within 30 days of due date at analysis? Yes / No / Unsure

Notes: _____

Ledger evidence

Advance/disbursement creating deficiency: \$ _____ on _____ Analysis date: _____

Notes: _____

Attachment checklist

- ☐ Escrow analysis showing deficiency
- ☐ Escrow transaction history
- ☐ Current mortgage statement
- ☐ Copy of this completed template retained for your records
- ☐ Mailing / delivery confirmation retained if sent formally

Use notes

- ☐ Use the negative balance shown by the ledger and the deficiency amount shown by the analysis; they can differ if later deposits or adjustments occurred before analysis.
- ☐ Record whether the borrower was current under the rule's 30-day test at analysis because that changes the federal repayment framework.
- ☐ Do not apply the 12-month shortage rule to a deficiency; the rule's minimum installment structure is different.
- ☐ Keep a complete copy of the completed template and supporting records; send copies rather than irreplaceable originals when copies are sufficient.

PRIMARY SOURCES TO CHECK

12 CFR § 1024.17(f) • 12 CFR § 1024.17(b)

Official links: <https://www.consumerfinance.gov/rules-policy/regulations/1024/17/>