Family Obligations

(a) *Purpose.* This section states the obligation of a participant family under the program.

(b) *Supplying required information*—

(1) The family **must** supply any information that the PHA or HUD determines is necessary in the administration of the program, including submission of required evidence of citizenship or eligible immigration status. “Information” includes any requested certification, release or other documentation.

(2) The family **must** supply any information requested by the PHA or HUD for use in a regularly scheduled reexamination or interim reexamination of family income and composition in accordance with HUD requirements.

(3) The family **must** disclose and verify social security numbers and **must** sign and submit consent forms for obtaining information.

(4) Any information supplied by the family **must** be true and complete.

(c) **Housing Quality Standards (HQS) breach caused by family.** The family is responsible for an HQS breach caused by the family.

(d) **Allowing PHA inspection.** The family **must** allow the PHA to inspect the unit at reasonable times and after reasonable notice.

(e) **Violation of lease.** The family may not commit any serious or repeated violation of the lease.

(f) **Family notice of move or lease termination.** The family **must** notify the PHA and the owner before the family moves out of the unit, or terminates the lease on notice to the owner.

(g) **Owner eviction notice.** The family **must** promptly give the PHA a copy of any owner eviction notice.

(h) **Use and occupancy of unit**—

(1) The family **must** use the assisted unit for residence by the family. The unit **must** be the family’s only residence.

(2) The composition of the assisted family residing in the unit must be approved by the PHA. The family **must** promptly inform the PHA of the birth, adoption or court-awarded custody of a child. The family **must** request PHA approval to add any other family member as an occupant of the unit. No other person [i.e., nobody but members of the assisted family] may reside in the unit (except for a foster child or live-in aide).

(3) The family **must** promptly notify the PHA if any family member no longer resides in the unit.

(4) If the PHAs has given approval, a foster child or a live in aide may reside in the unit. The PHAs has the discretion to adopt reasonable policies concerning residence by a foster child or a live-in aide, and defining when PHA consent may be given or denied.

(5) Members of the household may engage in legal profit making activities in the unit, but only if such activities are incidental to primary use of the unit for residence by members of the family.

(6) The family **must not** sublease or let the unit.

(7) The family **must not** assign the lease or transfer the unit.
(i) **Absence from unit.** The family **must** supply any information or certification requested by the PHA to verify that the family is living in the unit, or relating to family absence from the unit, including any PHA-requested information or certification on the purposes of family absences. The family must cooperate with the PHA for this purpose. The family must promptly notify the PHA of absences from the unit.

(j) **Interest in unit.** The family must not own or have any interest in the unit.

(k) **Fraud and other program violation.** The members of the family must not commit fraud, bribery or any other corrupt or criminal act in connection with the programs.

(l) **Crime by household members.** The members of the household may not engage in sexual criminal activity, drug-related criminal activity or violent criminal activity or any other criminal activity that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of other residents and persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises.

(m) **Alcohol abuse by household members.** The members of the household must not abuse alcohol in a way that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of other residents and persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises.

(n) **Other housing assistance.** An assisted family, or members of the family, may not receive Section 8 tenant-based assistance while receiving another housing subsidy, for the same unit or for a different unit, under any duplicative (as determined by HUD or in accordance with HUD requirements) federal, State or local housing assistance program.