

Revised Wood Destroying Insect Information Requirements for New and Proposed Construction Properties using HUD Forms NPMA-99-A and NPMA-99-B

1. Purpose. The purpose of this Circular is to notify all Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Home Loan program participants that effective January 1, 2015, VA will require the use of the current National Pest Management Association (NPMA) Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Forms [NPMA- 99-A](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=npma99a.pdf), *Subterranean Termite Protection Builder's Guaranty* (<http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=npma99a.pdf>), and [NPMA-99-B](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=npma99b.pdf), *New Construction Subterranean Termite Service Record*, (<http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=npma99b.pdf>), for new and proposed construction properties in areas where wood-destroying insect information is required. Prior Forms NPCA-99-A and NPCA-99-B will be obsolete and should no longer be used after January 1, 2015.

2. Background. In areas where wood-destroying insect information was mandatory for under construction or proposed construction properties, Notice of Value (NOV) Item #2B currently requires: Soil Treatment Guarantee (Proposed or Under Construction). "A properly completed Form NPCA-99a is required. If the soil is treated with a termiticide, a properly completed Form NPCA-99b is also required. The lender will provide you (the Veteran) with a copy."

a. NOV Item #2B will be revised in WebLGY to show the new requirements for HUD- NPMA-99A and NPMA-99B. Until the changes in WebLGY are made, reference to the NOV Item #2B requirement should now be considered to mean HUD-NPMA-99A and NPMA-99B.

3. New. HUD NPMA-99-A is completed and certified by the builder. It describes the treatment applied by the pest control company under Box 1. If Box 1 is checked, then HUD-NPMA-99-B must be completed by the licensed pest control company and attached to HUD-NPMA-99-B. If the builder checked Box 2, the builder is certifying that they installed pressure treated lumber as a means of subterranean termite prevention in compliance with applicable building codes and requirements of [HUD Mortgagee Letter 2001-4](#). This Letter documents and delineates the builder's responsibility and liability under the HUD-NPMA-99-A.

a. HUD-NPMA-99-B is completed by the licensed pest control company describing the code-accepted treatment(s) applied: Soil Applied Liquid Termiticide, Wood Applied Liquid Termiticide, Bait System Installed, or Physical Barrier System Installed. HUD-NPMA-99-B must be attached to the HUD-NPMA-99-A.

b. For more information on the HUD-NPMA Forms, you may contact NPMA by calling (800) 678-6722.

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4. Questions. All inquiries on this Circular should be sent to colenders@vba.va.gov.
5. Rescission: This Circular is rescinded January 1, 2017.

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