

# **Temporary Buydowns**



A **buydown** allows a borrower to obtain a lower interest rate, for a period of time, by prepaying some of the interest on the loan. Typically, the seller/builder will provide a lump sum concession (prepaid interest) that is held in a custodial escrow account and applied each month to the borrower's subsidized payment.

### Types of buydowns:

Buydown Type	Product Indicator	How it Works	
1-0	[ProductCode] <b>B1</b>	<b>Year 1</b> : Interest rate is reduced by 1%	
	Example: CF30B1	Year 2 and forward: Standard interest rate applies.	
1.5-0.5	[ProductCode] <b>B15</b>	<b>Year 1</b> : Interest rate is reduced by 1.5%	
	Example: CF30B15	Year 2: Interest rate is reduced by 0.5%	
		Year 3 and forward: Standard interest rate applies	
2-1	[ProductCode] <b>B2</b>	Year 1: Interest rate is reduced by 2%	
	Example: CF30B2	Year 2: Interest rate is reduced by 1%	
		Year 3 and forward: Standard interest rate applies	
3-2-1	[ProductCode] <b>B3</b>	Year 1: Interest rate is reduced by 3%	
	Example: CF30B3	Year 2: Interest rate is reduced by 2%	
		Year 3: Interest rate is reduced by 1%	
		Year 4 and forward: Standard interest rate applies	

Refer to AllRegs for the Product Codes & Guidelines.



## **Temporary Buydown Examples**

Example 1: Buydown Type: 3-2-1

Loan Amount: \$500,000

**Loan Term:** 30 year **Interest Rate:** 7.5%

**P&I Payment:** \$3,496.07

Year	Interest Rate	Payment	Monthly Difference	Annual Difference
1	<b>4.5%</b> (7.5% - 3%)	\$2,533.43	\$3,496.07 - \$2,533.43 = <b>\$962.64</b>	\$11,551.68
2	<b>5.5%</b> (7.5% - 2%)	\$2,838.95	\$3,496.07 - \$2,838.95 = <b>\$657.12</b>	\$7,885.44
3	<b>6.5%</b> (7.5% - 1%)	\$3,160.34	\$3,496.07 - \$3,160.34 = <b>\$335.73</b>	\$4,028.76
4-30	<b>7.5%</b> (No buydown)	\$3,496.07	\$0	\$0
AMOUNT REQUIRED AT CLOSING				\$23,465.88

Example 2:

**Buydown Type:** 2-1

**Loan Amount:** \$500,000

Loan Term: 30 year Interest Rate: 6.5% P&I Payment: \$3160.34

Year	Interest Rate	Payment	Monthly Difference	Annual Difference
1	<b>4.5%</b> (6.5% - 2%)	\$2,533.43	\$3160.34 - \$2533.43 = <b>\$626.91</b>	\$7,522.92
2	<b>5.5%</b> (6.5% - 1%)	\$2,838.95	\$3160.34 – \$2838.95 = <b>\$321.39</b>	\$3,856.68
3-30	6.5% (No buydown)	\$3,160.34	\$0	\$0
AMOUNT REQUIRED AT CLOSING				\$11,379.60

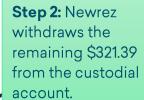


### **Monthly Payment Illustration**

This illustration is based on "Year 2" in example 2.



**Step 1:** Borrower pays monthly P&I of \$2838.95 to Newrez.





**Step 3:** Newrez combines borrower payment and custodial withdrawal to make a full payment to the investor.



#### **CUSTODIAL ACCOUNT**

(Lump sum concession paid at closing and held in escrow)





# Temporary Buydown, cont.

The **Temporary Buydown Subsidy** must be allocated on the *Newrez LE > Getting Started* screen.

- Enter the total buydown amount in the seller line.
- Ensure that the remaining balance reflects \$0.00.
- Click Run Fee Quote or Save & Next (if applicable).

#### **Example: Seller Paid Buydown**

Paid By	Lender Credit	Total	
Borrower		\$	0.00
Lender (Lock Credit Applied)		\$	0.00
Lender (Additional Lender Credit Ap	$\checkmark$	\$	0.00
Seller		\$	11,379.60
Split Total			\$11,379.60
Remaining Balance			\$0.00

#### **Important Notes**

 When the seller/builder pays the buydown subsidy, it is reflected in the Seller-Paid or Paid by Others column on page 2 of the Closing Disclosure.

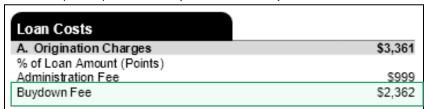


## Q&A

**Q:** How is a fee paid by the borrower to temporarily buy down the interest rate disclosed on the Loan Estimate?

**A:** A temporary buydown of the interest rate is charged to the borrower for the interest rate chosen on the loan and it's shown in the Closing Cost Details under Loan Costs > Buydown Fee on page 2 of the LE.

• On Page 2 of the LE, shown below, the Loan Costs > A. Origination Charges total amount is the sum of the final price plus buydown subsidy. If it is a borrower-paid loan, it is just the final price plus the buydown subsidy.



**Q:** Where do any remaining seller concessions get applied?

**A:** Any additional seller concessions should be placed as a Lump Sum Seller Credit in the **Other Assets and Credits** section of the *1003 > Asset, Liab & REO* tab of H2O.





## **Record of Revisions**

Update Date	Updated By	Revision Type	Summary of Changes
11/14/2022	Brian Rummell	Update	Rebrand and channel
			specific updates
12/07/2022	Brian Rummell	Update	Added new temp buydown propducts