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PIH Establishes Website for Updated Public Housing Occupancy Guidebook

HUD’s Office of Public and Indian Housing ([PIH](#)) has established a [new webpage](#) dedicated to an updated version of the Public Housing Occupancy Guidebook. The new version of the book is being released chapter-by-chapter as each is completed. The content of the new guidebook is organized differently than the most current [complete version](#) of the book, and only a few select, unnumbered chapters of the new version have been made available so far. They are:

- [Income Determination](#)
- [Reexaminations](#)
- [Utilities](#)

Other chapter titles are listed on the page marked as “coming soon.”

The webpage states that the guidebook consolidates the most up-to-date requirements outlined in regulatory requirements, PIH notices, *Federal Register* notices, and other HUD guidance. The website also states the following:

One major improvement readers will find in the new guidebook chapters is a footnote with a citation whenever the word “must” is used. In many policy areas, HUD allows PHAs the flexibility to make local policy decisions, so it is important to note when a policy must be adopted as required by HUD.

The [webpage](#) will house the chapters as “living documents,” and HUD intends to amend individual chapters as policies are refined.



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