

(b) *Scope.* This subpart sets forth the timing, content, and signature requirements for certification and recertification with respect to certain Medicare services furnished by providers.

6. In § 424.11, paragraph (b) is revised, the introductory text of paragraph (e) is revised, and new paragraphs (e)(4), (e)(5), and (e)(6) are added to read as follows:

§ 424.11 General procedures.

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(b) *Obtaining the certification and recertification statements.* No specific procedures or forms are required for certification and recertification statements. The provider may adopt any method that permits verification. The certification and recertification statements may be entered on forms, notes, or records that the appropriate individual signs, or on a special separate form. Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this section for delayed certifications, there must be a separate signed statement for each certification or recertification.

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(e) *Limitation on authorization to sign statements.* A certification or recertification statement may be signed only by one of the following:

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(4) A nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist, as defined in paragraph (e)(5) or (e)(6) of this section, in the circumstances specified in § 424.20(e).

(5) For purposes of this section, to qualify as a nurse practitioner, an individual must—

(i) Be a registered professional nurse who is currently licensed to practice nursing in the State where he or she practices; be authorized to perform the services of a nurse practitioner in accordance with State law; and have a master's degree in nursing;

(ii) Be certified as a nurse practitioner by a professional association recognized by HCFA that has, at a minimum, eligibility requirements that meet the standards in paragraph (e)(5)(i) of this section; or

(iii) Meet the requirements for a nurse practitioner set forth in paragraph (e)(5)(i) of this section, except for the master's degree requirement, and have received before August 25, 1998 a certificate of completion from a formal advanced practice program that prepares registered nurses to perform an expanded role in the delivery of primary care.

(6) For purposes of this section, to qualify as a clinical nurse specialist, an individual must—

(i) Be a registered professional nurse who is currently licensed to practice nursing in the State where he or she practices; be authorized to perform the services of a clinical nurse specialist in accordance with State law; and have a master's degree in a defined clinical area of nursing;

(ii) Be certified as a clinical nurse specialist by a professional association recognized by HCFA that has at a minimum, eligibility requirements that meet the standards in paragraph (e)(6)(i) of this section; or

(iii) Meet the requirements for a clinical nurse specialist set forth in paragraph (e)(6)(i) of this section, except for the master's degree requirement, and have received before August 25, 1998 a certificate of completion from a formal advanced practice program that prepares registered nurses to perform an expanded role in the delivery of primary care.

7. In § 424.20, the introductory text and paragraph (e) are revised to read as follows:

§ 424.20 Requirements for posthospital SNF care.

Medicare Part A pays for posthospital SNF care furnished by a SNF, or a hospital or RPCH with a swing-bed approval, only if the certification and recertification for services are consistent with the content of paragraph (a) or (c) of this section, as appropriate.

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(e) *Signature.* Certification and recertification statements may be signed by—

(1) The physician responsible for the case or, with his or her authorization, by a physician on the SNF staff or a physician who is available in case of an emergency and has knowledge of the case; or

(2) A nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist, neither of whom has a direct or indirect employment relationship with the facility but who is working in collaboration with a physician. For purposes of this section, *collaboration* means a process whereby a nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist works with a doctor of medicine or osteopathy to deliver health care services. The services are delivered within the scope of the nurse's professional expertise, with medical direction and appropriate supervision as provided for in guidelines jointly developed by the nurse and the physician or other mechanisms defined by Federal regulations and the law of the State in which the services are performed.

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: April 4, 1994.

Bruce C. Vladeck,
Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

Dated: February 18, 1995.

Donna E. Shalala,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

44 CFR Part 64

[Docket No. FEMA-7621]

List of Communities Eligible for the Sale of Flood Insurance

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule identifies communities participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). These communities have applied to the program and have agreed to enact certain floodplain management measures. The communities' participation in the program authorizes the sale of flood insurance to owners of property located in the communities listed.

EFFECTIVE DATES: The dates listed in the third column of the table.

ADDRESSES: Flood insurance policies for property located in the communities listed can be obtained from any licensed property insurance agent or broker serving the eligible community, or from the NFIP at: Post Office Box 6464, Rockville, MD 20849, (800) 638-6620.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert F. Shea, Jr., Division Director, Program Implementation Division, Mitigation Directorate, 500 C Street, SW., room 417, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3619.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NFIP enables property owners to purchase flood insurance which is generally not otherwise available. In return, communities agree to adopt and administer local floodplain management measures aimed at protecting lives and new construction from future flooding. Since the communities on the attached list have recently entered the NFIP, subsidized flood insurance is now available for property in the community.

In addition, the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency

has identified the special flood hazard areas in some of these communities by publishing a Flood Hazard Boundary MAP (FHBM) or Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). The date of the flood map, if one has been published, is indicated in the fourth column of the table. In the communities listed where a flood map has been published, Section 102 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4012(a), requires the purchase of flood insurance as a condition of Federal or federally related financial assistance for acquisition or construction of buildings in the special flood hazard areas shown on the map.

The Director finds that the delayed effective dates would be contrary to the public interest. The Director also finds that notice and public procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b) are impracticable and unnecessary.

National Environmental Policy Act

This rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR Part 10, Environmental Considerations. No environmental impact assessment has been prepared.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Associate Director certifies that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities in accordance with the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, because the rule creates no additional burden, but lists those communities eligible for the sale of flood insurance.

Regulatory Classification

The final rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review, 58 FR 51735.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not involve any collection of information for purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

Executive Order 12612, Federalism

This rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 12612, Federalism,

October 26, 1987, 3 CFR 1987 Comp., p. 252.

Executive Order 12778, Civil Justice Reform

This rule meets the applicable standards of section 2(b)(2) of Executive Order 12778, October 25, 1991, 56 FR 55195, 3 CFR, 1991 Comp., p. 309.

List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 64

Flood insurance, Floodplains.

Accordingly, 44 CFR part 64 is amended as follows:

PART 64—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 64 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*, Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 329; E.O. 12127, 44 FR 19367, 3 CFR, 1979 Comp., p. 376.

§ 64.6 [Amended]

2. The tables published under the authority of § 64.6 are amended as follows:

State/location	Community No.	Effective date of eligibility	Current effective map date
New Eligibles—Emergency Program			
Iowa: Hancock County, unincorporated areas	190873	June 16, 1995	September 6, 1977.
South Carolina: Lamar, town of, Darlington County	450063	.....do	July 18, 1975.
Montana: Mineral County, unincorporated areas	300159	June 19, 1995	December 14, 1982.
Vermont: Sharon, town of, Windsor County	500300	.....do	February 4, 1977.
Nebraska: Duncan, village of, Platte County	310272	June 22, 1995	February 18, 1977.
Tennessee: Cumberland County, unincorporated areas.	470373	.....do	September 2, 1977.
Nebraska: Greeley, village of, Greeley County	310373	June 26, 1995	July 11, 1975.
New Eligibles—Regular Program			
Colorado: South Fork, town of, Rio Grande County ¹ ..	080318	June 5, 1995	
Montana: Hardin, city of, Big Horn County	300115	.....do	
Oklahoma: Caddo County, unincorporated areas	400479	June 12, 1995	September 27, 1991.
Texas: Palisades, village of, Randall County ²	481666	.....do	
North Carolina: Green County, unincorporated areas .	370378	.....do	January 6, 1983.
California: Apple Valley, town of, San Bernardino County ³ .	060752	June 16, 1995	
Ohio: Somerville, village of, Butler County	390046	June 21, 1995	February 18, 1981.
Reinstatements			
Pennsylvania: St. Clair, borough of, Schuylkill County	420789	November 24, 1972, Emerg.; March 15, 1977, Reg.; June 2, 1995, Susp.; June 9, 1995, Rein.	June 2, 1995.
Indiana: Springport, town of, Henry County	180347	February 23, 1976, Emerg.; September 4, 1987, Reg.; September 4, 1987, Susp.; June 22, 1995, Rein.	September 4, 1987.
West Virginia: Mercer County, unincorporated areas ..	540124	December 23, 1975, Emerg.; February 1, 1983, Reg., June 16, 1995, Susp.; June 27, 1995, Rein.	May 2, 1995.
Regular Program Conversions			
Region II			
New York: Southampton, village of, Suffolk County	365343	June 2, 1995, suspension withdrawn	June 2, 1992.
Region III			
Pennsylvania: Port Carbon, borough of, Schuylkill County.	420783	.....do	June 2, 1995.

State/location	Community No.	Effective date of eligibility	Current effective map date
Region IV			
Alabama: Tuscaloosa, city of, Tuscaloosa County	010203	.....do	Do.
Region V			
Wisconsin: Oshkosh, city of, Winnebago County	550511	.....do	Do.
Region VI			
Louisiana: Leesville, city of, Vernon Parish	220229	.....do	Do.
Oklahoma:			
Pawnee, city of, Pawnee County	400163	.....do	Do.
McClain County, unincorporated areas	400538	.....do	Do.
Region VIII			
Colorado:			
Nederland, town of, Boulder County	080255	.....do	Do.
La Plata County, unincorporated areas	080097	.....do	Do.
Utah: Joseph, town of, Sevier County	490127	.....do	Do.
Region IX			
Hawaii: Hawaii County, unincorporated areas	155166	.....do	Do.
Region X			
Washington: Cowlitz County, unincorporated areas ...	530032	.....do	Do.
Region III			
Delaware:			
Bethany Beach, town of, Sussex County	105083	June 16, 1995, suspension withdrawn	June 16, 1995.
Bethel, town of, Sussex County	100055	.....do	Do.
Blades, town of, Sussex County	100031	.....do	Do.
Dagsboro, town of, Sussex County	100033	.....do	Do.
Dewey Beach, town of, Sussex County	100056	.....do	Do.
Fenwick Island, town of, Sussex County	105084	.....do	Do.
Greenwood, town of, Sussex County	100039	.....do	Do.
Laurel, town of, Sussex County	100040	.....do	Do.
Lewes, city of, Sussex County	100041	.....do	Do.
Milford, town of, Sussex County	100042	.....do	Do.
Millsboro, town of, Sussex County	100043	.....do	Do.
Millville, town of, Sussex County	100044	.....do	Do.
Milton, town of, Sussex County	100045	.....do	Do.
Ocean View, town of, Sussex County	100046	.....do	Do.
Rehoboth Beach, town of, Sussex County	105086	.....do	Do.
Slaughter Beach, town of, Sussex County	100050	.....do	Do.
South Bethany, town of, Sussex County	100051	.....do	Do.
Sussex County, unincorporated areas	100029	.....do	Do.
Pennsylvania: Upper Chichester, township of, Delaware County.	420439	.....do	Do.
Region IV			
Florida:			
Gulf Breeze, city of, Santa Rosa County	120275	.....do	Do.
Monroe County, unincorporated areas	125129	.....do	Do.
Region V			
Indiana: Bloomington, city of, Monroe County	180169	.....do	Do.
Region VI			
Oklahoma:			
Midwest City, city of, Oklahoma County	400405	.....do	Do.
Newcastle, city of, McClain County	400103	.....do	Do.
Region VII			
Iowa:			
Ames, city of, Storey County	190254	.....do	Do.
Mason City, city of, Cerro Gordo County	190060	.....do	Do.
Jackson County, unincorporated areas	190879	.....do	Do.
Kansas: Pittsburgh, city of, Crawford County	200072	.....do	Do.
Region X			
Washington: Thurston County, unincorporated areas .	530188	.....do	Do.

Code for reading third column: Emerg.—Emergency; Reg.—Regular; Susp.—Suspension; Rein.—Reinstatement.

¹ The Town of South Fork has adopted Rio Grande County's Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) dated May 19, 1987 for floodplain management and flood insurance purposes. Rio Grande County's Community Identification number is 080153; Panel 0007B.

² The Village of Palisades has adopted Randall County's Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Map dated September 30, 1982 for floodplain management and flood insurance purposes. Randall County's Community Identification number is 480532; Panels 110 and 300.

³ The Town of Apple Valley has adopted San Bernadino County's Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) dated September 28, 1990 and any revisions, for floodplain management and flood insurance purposes. The County's Community Identification number is 060270; Panels 5850B, 5175B, 5200B, and 5875B.

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 Issued: July 20, 1995.

Frank H. Thomas,
Deputy Associate Director, Mitigation Directorate.
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44 CFR Part 65

[Docket No. FEMA-7144]

Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
ACTION: Interim rule.

SUMMARY: This interim rule lists communities where modification of the base (1% annual chance) flood elevations is appropriate because of new scientific or technical data. New flood insurance premium rates will be calculated from the modified base flood elevations for new buildings and their contents.

DATES: These modified base flood elevations are currently in effect on the dates listed in the table and revise the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) in effect prior to this determination for each listed community.

From the date of the second publication of these changes in a newspaper of local circulation, any person has ninety (90) days in which to request through the community that the Associate Director, Mitigation Directorate, reconsider the changes. The modified elevations may be changed during the 90-day period.

ADDRESSES: The modified base flood elevations for each community are available for inspection at the office of the Chief Executive Officer of each community. The respective addresses are listed in the following table.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael K. Buckley, P.E., Chief, Hazard Identification Branch, Mitigation Directorate, 500 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The modified base flood elevations are not listed for each community in this interim rule. However, the address of the Chief Executive Officer of the community where the modified base flood elevation determinations are available for inspection is provided.

Any request for reconsideration must be based upon knowledge of changed conditions, or upon new scientific or technical data.

The modifications are made pursuant to Section 201 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*, and with 44 CFR Part 65.

For rating purposes, the currently effective community number is shown and must be used for all new policies and renewals.

The modified base flood elevations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that the community is required to either adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or to remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

These modified elevations, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that the community must change any existing ordinances that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements of its own, or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, State, or regional entities.

The changes in base flood elevations are in accordance with 44 CFR 65.4. *National Environmental Policy Act.* This rule is categorically excluded from

the requirements of 44 CFR Part 10, Environmental Consideration. No environmental impact assessment has been prepared.

Regulatory Flexibility Act. The Associate Director, Mitigation Directorate, certifies that this rule is exempt from the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because modified base flood elevations are required by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are required to maintain community eligibility in the NFIP. No regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared.

Regulatory Classification. This interim rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of Section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review, 58 FR 51735.

Executive Order 12612, Federalism. This rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 12612, Federalism, dated October 26, 1987.

Executive Order 12778, Civil Justice Reform. This rule meets the applicable standards of Section 2(b)(2) of Executive Order 12778.

List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 65

Flood insurance, Floodplains, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, 44 CFR Part 65 is amended to read as follows:

PART 65—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 65 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 329; E.O. 12127, 44 FR 19367, 3 CFR, 1979 Comp., p. 376.

§ 65.4 [Amended]

2. The tables published under the authority of § 65.4 are amended as follows:

State and county	Location	Dates and name of newspaper where notice was published	Chief executive officer of community	Effective date of modification	Community No.
Arizona: Maricopa	City of Phoenix	May 18, 1995, May 25, 1995, Arizona Republic.	The Honorable Skip Rimsza, Mayor, City of Phoenix, 200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003.	April 19, 1995.	040051
California: Santa Barbara.	Unincorporated areas.	May 18, 1995, May 25, 1995, Santa Barbara News-Press.	The Honorable Timothy J. Staffel, Chairperson, Santa Barbara County, Board of Supervisors, 401 East Cypress Avenue, Lompoc, California 93436.	April 13, 1995.	060331
California: Santa Barbara.	Unincorporated area	May 17, 1995, May 24, 1995, Santa Barbara News-Press.	The Honorable Tim Stoffel, Chairperson, Santa Barbara County, Board of Supervisors, 195 East Apanamu Street, Fourth Floor, Santa Barbara, California 93101.	April 21, 1995.	060331