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§ 107.692 Examination fees.

- (a) General. SBA will assess fees for examinations in accordance with this §107.692. Unless SBA determines otherwise on a case by case basis, SBA will not assess fees for special examinations to obtain specific information.
- (b) Base Fee. (1) The Base Fee will be assessed based on your total assets (at cost) as of the date of your latest cer-

tified financial statement, including if requested by SBA in connection with the examination, a more recently submitted interim statement. For purposes of this section, Base Fee means the Minimum Base Fee plus 0.024% of assets at cost, rounded to the nearest \$100, not to exceed the Maximum Base Fee. The Minimum and Maximum Base Fees are adjusted annually as follows:

Time period (Based on the examination start date)	Minimum base fee	Maximum base fee for non-lever- aged SBICs	Maximum base fee for leveraged SBICs
December 13, 2017 to September 30, 2018 October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021	\$6,000	\$22,500	\$26,000
	7,000	25,000	32,000
	8,000	27,500	38,000
	9,000	30,000	44,000

- (2) In the table in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, a Non-leveraged SBIC means any SBIC that, as of the date of the examination, has no outstanding Leverage or Leverage commitment, has no Earmarked Assets, and certifies to SBA that it will not seek Leverage in the future. Beginning on October 1, 2021, SBA will annually adjust the Minimum Base Fee and Maximum Base Fees using the Inflation Adjustment and will publish a Notice prior to such adjustment in the FEDERAL REGISTER identifying the amount of the fees.
- (c) Adjustments to Base Fee. In order to determine the amount of your examination fee, your Base Fee, as determined in paragraph (b) of this section, will be increased based on the following criteria:
- (1) If you were not fully responsive to the letter of notification of examination (that is, you did not provide all requested documents and information within the time period stipulated in the notification letter in a complete and accurate manner, or you did not prepare or did not have available all information requested by the examiner for on-site review) after a written warning by the SBA, you will pay an additional charge equal to 15% of your Base Fee;
- (2) If you maintain your records/files in multiple locations (as permitted under §107.600(b)), you will pay an additional charge equal to 10% of your Base Fee: and

- (3) For any regulatory violation that remains unresolved 90 days from the date SBA notified you that you must take corrective action (as established by the date of the notification letter) or such later date as SBA sets forth in the notice, you will pay an additional charge equal to 5% of the Base Fee for every 30 days or portion thereof that the violation remains unresolved after the cure period, unless SBA resolves the finding in your favor.
- (d) Fee additions table. The following table summarizes the additions noted in paragraph (c) of this section:

Examination fee additions	Amount of addition - % of base fee
Non-responsive Records/Files at multiple locations. Unresolved Find- ings.	15%. 10%. 5% of Base Fee for every 30 days or portion thereof beyond the 90 day cure period or such later date as SBA sets forth in the notice for each unresolved finding.

(e) Delay fee. If, in the judgment of SBA, the time required to complete your examination is delayed due to your lack of cooperation or the condition of your records, SBA may assess an additional fee of \$700 per day. Beginning on October 1, 2021, SBA will annually adjust this fee using the Inflation Adjustment and will publish a Notice

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prior to such adjustment in the FED-ERAL REGISTER identifying the amount of the fee.

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Subpart G—Financing of Small Businesses by Licensees

DETERMINING THE ELIGIBILITY OF A SMALL BUSINESS FOR SBIC FINANCING

§ 107.700 Compliance with size standards in part 121 of this chapter as a condition of Assistance.

You are permitted to provide financial assistance and management services only to a Small Business. To determine whether an applicant is a Small Business, you may use either the financial size standards in §121.301(c)(2) of this chapter or the industry standard covering the industry in which the applicant is primarily engaged, as set forth in §121.301(c)(1) of this chapter.

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§ 107.710 Requirement to finance smaller enterprises.

Your Portfolio must include Financings to Smaller Enterprises.

- (a) Definition of Smaller Enterprise. A Smaller Enterprise means any small business concern that:
- (1) Both together with its Affiliates, and by itself, meets the size standard of §121.201 of this chapter at the time of Financing for the industry in which it is then primarily engaged: or
- (2) Together with its affiliates has a net worth of not more than \$6 million and average net income after Federal income taxes (excluding any carry-over losses) for the preceding two years no greater than \$2 million. If the applicant is not required by law to pay Federal income taxes at the enterprise level, but is required to pass income through to its shareholders, partners, beneficiaries, or other equitable owners, the applicant's "net income after Federal income taxes" will be its net income reduced by an amount computed as follows:
- (i) If the applicant is not required by law to pay State (and local, if any) income taxes at the enterprise level,

multiply its net income by the marginal State income tax rate (or by the combined State and local income tax rates, as applicable) that would have applied if it were a taxable corporation.

- (ii) Multiply the applicant's net income, less any deduction for State and local income taxes calculated under paragraph (a)(2)(i) of this section, by the marginal Federal income tax rate that would have applied if the applicant were a taxable corporation.
- (iii) Add the results obtained in paragraphs (a)(2)(i) and (a)(2)(ii) of this section
- (b) Smaller Enterprise Financings. At the close or each of your fiscal years, and at the time of any application to draw Leverage, you must satisfy the Smaller Enterprise financing requirement in this paragraph (b) that applies to you.
- (1) If you were licensed after February 17, 2009, at least 25 percent (in dollars) of your Financings must have been invested in Smaller Enterprises.
- (2) If you were licensed on or before February 17, 2009, and you have received no SBA Leverage commitment issued after February 17, 2009, at least 20 percent (in dollars) of your Financings, excluding Financings made in whole or in part with Leverage in excess of \$90 million, must have been invested in Smaller Enterprises. In addition, 100 percent of all Financings made in whole or in part with Leverage in excess of \$90 million (including aggregate Leverage over \$90 million issued by two or more Licensees under Common Control) must have been invested in Smaller Enterprises.
- (3) If you were licensed on or before February 17, 2009, and you have received an SBA Leverage commitment after February 17, 2009:
- (i) For all Financings made after the date of the first Leverage commitment issued after February 17, 2009, at least 25 percent (in dollars) of your Financings must have been invested in Smaller Enterprises, and
- (ii) For all Financings made before February 17, 2009, at least 20 percent (in dollars) of your Financings, excluding Financings made in whole or in part with Leverage in excess of \$90 million, must have been invested in Smaller