

# **Loan Guaranty Service (LGY)**

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## **Quick Reference Document**

**For**

**Correct Certificate of Eligibility (COE)**

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## Introduction

Procedures outlined in this Quick Reference Document, assist lenders with correct COE functions. This self-service functionality is available following the webLGY 15.1 software release. The correct COE functionality was created to expedite COE changes electronically, eliminating the need to defer change requests to the *National Workload* (NWL).

## Correct COE

For approved loan records with a valid COE, the lender is presented with two options in the *Electronic Application* menu:

- New Application, and
- Correct COE

**NOTE:** The Correct COE option is the recommended action for any COE corrections. The New Application option should be selected only if Correct COE does not satisfy the request.

### Steps:

1. From the left-hand navigation menu, select *Correct COE*.

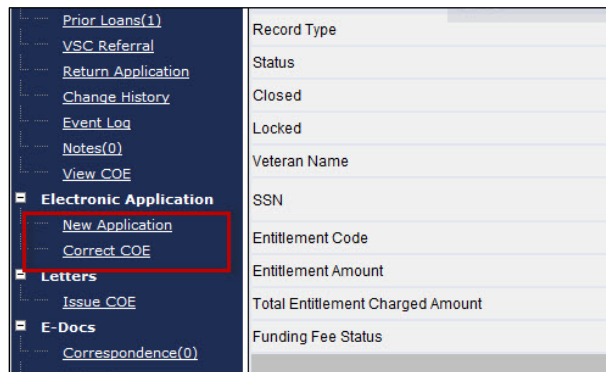


Figure 1. Correct COE Menu Option.

2. A warning statement will be presented with a message that an approved COE already exists. To continue with the correct COE function, select the <**Continue**> button.

 A screenshot of a warning banner titled 'An Approved COE Exists'. The banner has a dark blue header with white text. Below the header, there is a message: 'An Approved COE already exists. Please view the COE to ensure it meets your needs. If the COE is satisfactory you may print it and exit the system; you do not need to submit an electronic application. If the COE requires correction or restoration, please submit an electronic application.' At the bottom of the banner are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Continue'. The 'Continue' button is highlighted with a red rectangular box. Above the banner, there is small text: 'OMB Approved No. 2900-0086' and 'Respondent Burden: 15 minutes'.

Figure 2. Correct COE Warning Banner.

3. The *Resubmit Application* screen lists several changes that can be made to the COE:
  - a. Veterans name
  - b. Veterans contact information
  - c. Veterans branch of service
  - d. Veterans Funding Fee exemption status
4. Choose the respective drop-down menu selection for the section(s) that require change and select the **<Submit>** button

| Resubmit Application                                                                                  |                                                                             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Type of Changes</b>                                                                                |                                                                             |
| Are you changing the Veteran's Name?                                                                  | No <input type="button" value="v"/>                                         |
| Are you changing the Veteran's Contact Information?                                                   | No <input type="button" value="v"/>                                         |
| Are you changing the Veteran's Branch of Service?                                                     | No <input type="button" value="v"/>                                         |
| Are you changing the Veteran's Funding Fee Exempt Status?                                             | No <input type="button" value="v"/>                                         |
| Would you like to refresh the COE with a new status date?                                             | No <input type="button" value="v"/>                                         |
| Has the Veteran recently completed a tour and wants to remove the active duty condition from the COE? | No <input type="button" value="v"/><br>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/> |

**Figure 3. Resubmit Application.**

The following paragraphs outline procedures for COE change requests from the *Resubmit Application* screen.

## Veterans Name

Change to the Veterans first name, middle name and/or suffix can be corrected through the self-service *Resubmit Application* screen. A change to the last name requires additional information for upload, and approval by NWL.

### Steps:

1. At the *Resubmit Application* screen, choose the *Yes* option at the drop-down menu to, “Are you changing Veterans Name?”

| Veteran Personal Information        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Veteran Personal Information</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Name:                               | VeteranFirstName VeteranLastName                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Edit Name:                          | <div> <input type="text" value="NewFirstName"/> <input type="text" value="NewMiddleName"/> <input type="text" value="NewLastName"/> </div> <div> <input type="button" value="Update Name"/> <input type="button" value="Back"/> </div> |
| Social Security Number:             | XXX-XX-9999                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Date of Birth:                      | XX/XX/1983                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

**Figure 4. Edit Veteran Name.**

2. Enter changes to the respective name field(s). Once complete, select the **<Update Name>** button.
3. For changes to the last name, additional information is required for upload.

- A system prompt will appear. Select the <OK> button to continue to the file upload page.

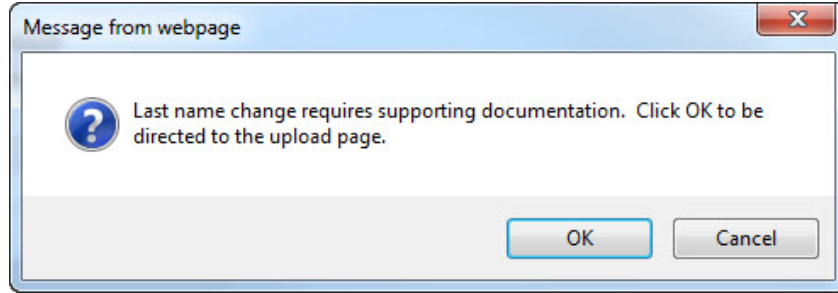


Figure 5. Last Name Change Dialog Window.

- Select the supporting information for upload, by selecting the <Browse> button.

Figure 6. Upload Last Name Change Document.

- Click the <Upload File> button to upload the supporting document.
- Following file upload a system message will show on the screen along with the uploaded document with its assigned identification number (ID).

| Id | Document Type  | Correspondence Type | Description | Date       |
|----|----------------|---------------------|-------------|------------|
|    | Legal Document | Document Received   | Name Change | 05/05/2015 |

Figure 7. Last Name Change Upload.

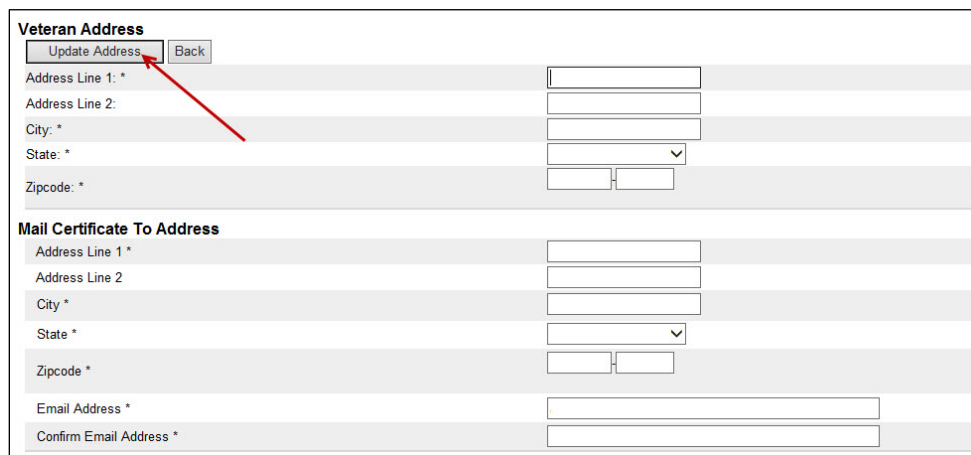
- A review of the name change request will be conducted by NWL.

## Veterans Contact Information

A change to the Veterans contact information can be corrected through the self-service *Resubmit Application* screen.

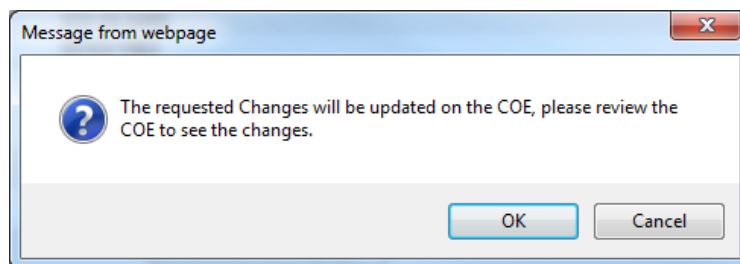
### Steps:

1. At the *Resubmit Application* screen, choose the *Yes* option at the drop-down menu to, “Are you changing the Veterans contact information?”
2. Update the respective address fields and contact information.
3. Once complete, select the **<Update Address>** button in the upper left-hand section of the screen.



**Figure 8. Change Contact Information Screen.**

4. The following dialog window will appear. Select the **<OK>** button to confirm.



**Figure 9. Confirm Contact Information Change Dialog Window.**

5. Submitted changes will immediately update the Eligibility record. Changes are not reflected on the COE.

## Veterans Branch of Service

A change to the Veterans branch of service can be corrected through the self-service *Resubmit Application* screen. The following steps are provided.

Steps:

1. At the *Resubmit Application* screen, choose the *Yes* option at the drop-down menu to, “Are you changing the Veterans branch of service?”
2. Select the branch of service from the drop-down menu.

Figure 10. Branch of Service Change.

3. Select the <Update Branch of Service> button to submit the change.
4. Confirm the change by selecting the *View COE* link in the left-hand navigation menu.

Figure 11. Confirm Branch of Service Change.

## Veterans Funding Fee Exempt Status

**NOTE:** The system will retrieve a compensation amount and exempt status that is viewed on the Summary screen (Figure 12). If a value is not retrieved, follow the upload function explained below.

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Total Entitlement Charged Amount | 0        |
| Funding Fee Status               | EXEMPT   |
| Monthly Award                    | \$133.17 |

Figure 12. Veteran Exempt Status.

Change to a funding fee exemption requires documentation for review and approval by NWL. The Veterans rating decision document can be selected for upload:

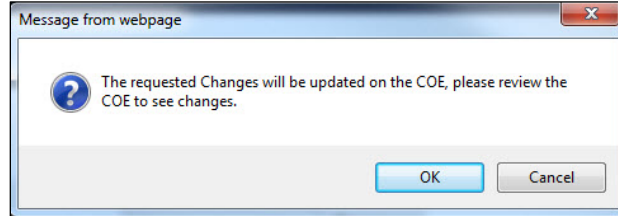
Steps:

1. Select the document type for upload.
2. Enter a document description in the free text field.
3. Select the **<Browse>** button and navigate to the Veterans rating decision document for upload.
4. Select the **<Upload File>** button
5. Following successful upload of the document, a system message will appear, “*File Upload Successful.*”

| Id | Document Type            | Correspondence Type | Description       | Date       |
|----|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------|
|    | Veterans Rating Decision | Document Received   | Disability Rating | 04/30/2015 |

**Figure 13. Document Upload Successful.**

6. Select the **<Next>** button to continue. The following dialog window appears:



**Figure 14. Change Review Dialog Window.**

7. A workbucket action is created for the NWL to review the document and change the funding fee exempt status of the Veteran.
8. A success message for exempt status is displayed in the following figure.

**Automated Certificate of Eligibility Result**

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**Reference Number:** **9999999**

[View Certificate Of Eligibility](#)

For additional questions, please click on the Help link at the top of the page.

Click here for an [Electronic Application](#).

**OR**

Click [here](#) for a printable version of VA Form 26-1880. Mail the fully completed application to:

Atlanta Regional Loan Center  
Attn: COE (262)  
P.O. Box 100034  
Decatur, GA 30031

For general information on eligibility, click [here](#).

Figure 15. Successful Exempt Message.

## Refresh Status Date

Answering **Yes** to refreshing the status date updates the eligibility record immediately once the **<Submit>** button is selected. The eligibility record shows the latest refresh date under the *Record Last Changed by* section (Figure 16).

| Summary                          |                                        |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>The COE has been updated.</b> |                                        |
| Record Information               |                                        |
| Record Type                      | Certificate Of Eligibility             |
| Status                           | Approved <a href="#">Change Status</a> |
| Closed                           | No <a href="#">Close</a>               |
| Locked                           | No                                     |
| Veteran Name                     | webLGY Veteran                         |
| SSN                              | xxx-xx- <a href="#">Show / Hide</a>    |
| Entitlement Code                 | 05 Entitlement Restored                |
| Entitlement Amount               | 0                                      |
| Total Entitlement Charged Amount | 36,000                                 |
| Funding Fee Status               | NON EXEMPT                             |
| Record Last Changed By           |                                        |
| User                             | COE.Lender2                            |
| Date Changed                     | 09/17/2015 07:37:51                    |
| Record Created By                |                                        |
| User                             | COE.Lender1                            |
| Email                            | COE.Lender1@lenderbank.org             |
| Date Created                     | 01/07/2015                             |

Figure 16. Refreshing the Eligibility Date.

## Removing Active Duty Condition

In cases when the Servicemember leaves active duty, the lender is required to receive a new COE to determine their character of service and eligibility. By answering *Yes* to the question, *Has the Veteran recently completed a tour and wants to remove the active duty condition from the COE*, the lender confirms that the member is no longer on active duty, and supporting documentation (e.g., DD-214) is available to upload and confirm the Veterans eligibility.

The screenshot shows the 'Certificate of Eligibility Application' window. At the top, it says 'Upload Documents for the Removal of the Activity Duty Tour. The system does not have a record of the completed tour, would you like to provide supporting documentation for the completed tour? (Ex: DD 214)'. Below this, there are 'Back' and 'Next' buttons. A message states: 'Please upload supporting documents if they are available. If not, please click next to continue submission of this application.' There is a table with columns 'Document Type \*', 'Description \*', and 'Upload File \*'. A dropdown menu is open under 'Document Type \*', showing options: 'HUD 1', 'Legal Document', 'DD 214', 'Other', and 'Veterans Rating Decision'. A 'Browse...' button is next to the 'Upload File \*' column.

Figure 17. Upload Documents for Removal of Active Duty.

## Restoring Entitlement

### Active Loan Self Service

The lender may restore entitlement for a *Cash Out*, *Streamline Finance* and *Purchase* option of an active loan. The selection options are displayed at the bottom of the *Resubmit Application* screen as shown in the following figure.

The screenshot shows the 'Resubmit Application' screen. At the top, it says 'Veteran has the following active loan(s)'. Below this, there is a table with columns 'Loan # 1', 'LIN:', 'Address One:', 'Address Two:', 'City:', 'State:', 'Zipcode:', and 'County:'. To the right of the table, it says 'Status: Active Loan'. At the bottom, there is a section titled 'Are you obtaining a COE for Cash Out, Streamline or Purchase?'. Below this, there are 'Cancel' and 'Submit' buttons. To the right of these buttons, there is a list of options: 'Cash Out', 'Streamline Refinance', and 'Purchase'.

Figure 18. Resubmit Application Screen.

### Cash Out

**NOTE:** Cash out restoration only applies to the active loan selected.

#### Steps:

1. Selection of the cash out option will prompt the user with the dialog window shown below.

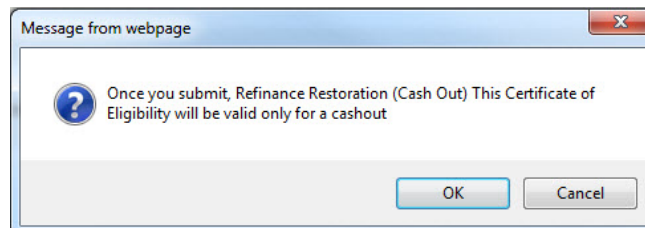


Figure 19. Refinance Cash Out Dialog Window.

**NOTE:** To deselect the cash out option, select the *Streamline Refinance* or *Purchase* option for the active loan. Both options will remove existing cash out condition from the active loan.

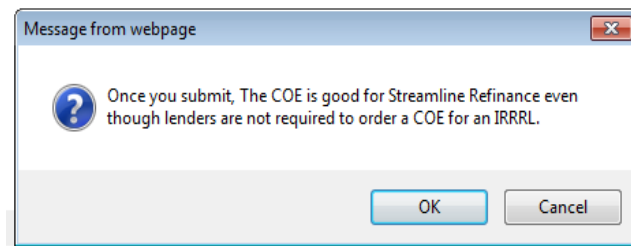
2. Select the <OK> button to process and create the COE.

## Streamline Refinance

Selecting a streamline refinance does not create a restoration and will remove any cash out condition for an active loan.

### Steps:

1. Selection of the Streamline Refinance option will prompt the user with the following dialog window.



**Figure 20. Streamline Refinance Dialog Window.**

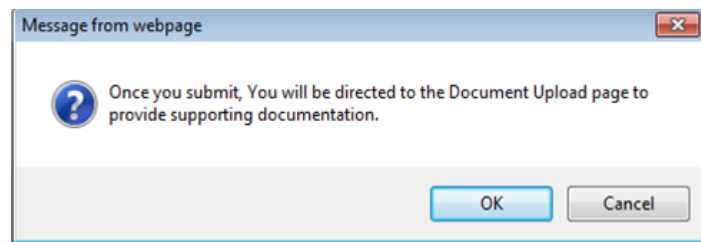
2. Select the <OK> button to process and create the COE.

## Purchase

Requesting the COE for a purchase loan requires upload of the supporting information in order to restore entitlement for any active loan listed. Choose the *Purchase* option from the drop-down menu and select the <Submit> button to process.

### Steps:

1. Selection of the Purchase option will prompt the user with the following dialog window.



**Figure 21. Purchase Dialog Window.**

2. Select the <OK> button to continue to the *Upload Documents* screen.
3. Provide the supporting documentation at the *Upload Documents* screen, displayed in the following figure.

Figure 22. Upload Documents for Restoration.

4. Select the <Upload File> button to submit the supporting document.
5. The restoration request will be submitted to the national queue for review.

## Paid in Full Loan Self Service

Loans in a *Paid in Full* condition without restoration can be managed from the self-service function screen. The user has the option to select restoration for the Veteran.

### Paid in Full with No Restoration

#### Steps:

1. Answer the ownership question, “Does the Veteran own the property obtained with a VA loan?”
2. If the Veteran no longer owns the property obtained with a VA loan, answer *No* to the ownership question and restoration will be automatically processed.
3. Select the <Submit> button to process.

Figure 23. Ownership Questions for Terminated Loan.

4. The user is presented a system dialog window, displayed in the following figure. Select the <OK> button to process.

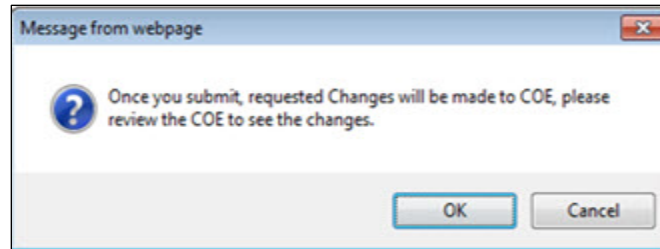


Figure 24. Ownership Dialog Window.

**NOTE:** The example in the figure below shows what happens when the Restoration benefit is declined by selecting the **No** option from the drop-down menu question, “Does the Veteran want to use the one time Restoration benefit?”

Figure 25. Restoration Question for Terminated Loan.

5. Select the <**Submit**> button to process.
6. The user is presented the system dialog window displayed below. To confirm the restoration questions, select the <**OK**> button.

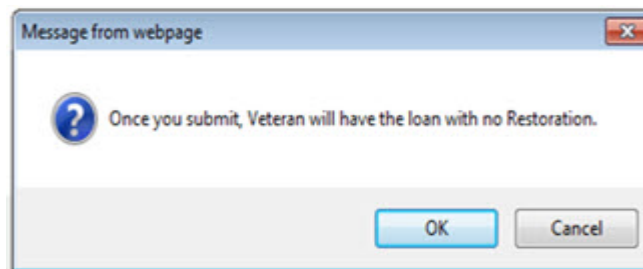


Figure 26. Restoration Confirmation Dialog Window.

## Paid in Full with Restoration

### Steps:

1. Answer the ownership question, “Does the Veteran own the property obtained with a VA loan?”
2. If the Veteran has paid in full and owns the property obtained with a VA loan, answer Yes to the ownership question.

**NOTE:** If the Veteran **owns** the property obtained with a VA loan, answer *Yes* to the ownership question. The additional question will appear, “Does the Veteran want to use their one time restoration benefit?”

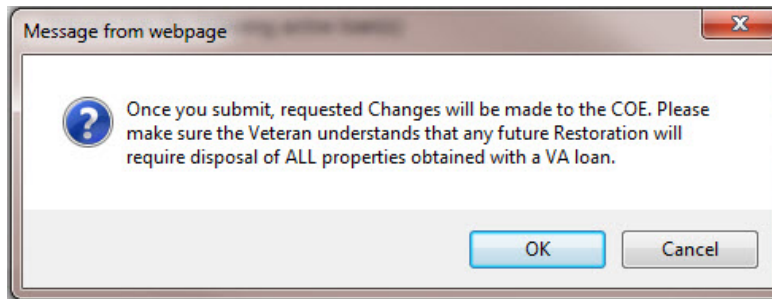
If the Veteran selects *Yes*, it is very important that the Veteran understands this option because any further restoration will require disposal of all properties obtained with a VA loan.

If the Veteran selects *Yes* then the restoration will be processed automatically. If the Veteran selects *No* then there will be no restoration for this paid in full loan.

A screenshot of a web form titled "Restoration of Benefit Selection". It contains two questions: "Does the veteran own the property obtained with a VA loan?" and "Does the veteran want to use the one time Restoration benefit?". Both questions have a "Yes" dropdown menu selected. A red arrow points to the "Yes" dropdown for the second question. At the bottom right, there are "Cancel" and "Submit" buttons.

**Figure 27. Restoration of Benefit Selection.**

3. Select the <**Submit**> button to process.
4. If the Veteran answers *Yes* to the Restoration question, the following dialog window will display.



**Figure 28. Restoration of Benefit Dialog Window.**