

Basic Manual Update Series

Countdown to November 1

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INSTALLMENT 10

THE FINALE

This is our final installment of the Basic Manual series before the upcoming changes effective November 1, 2024. The October 4 Dateline provided links to the new rules. To review last week's Dateline [click here](#). In order to view all the changes adopted in redline version, you'll need to look in two places. Please review both pdf links below to ensure that you're aware of all of the changes.

ACCESSING THE RULES AND CHANGE DOCUMENTS

1. Substantive Changes – Published May 2024

- This redline version shows all the substantive updates from May, when TDI published the proposed changes.
- View official PDF version
Here: <https://www.tdi.texas.gov/rules/2024/documents/9401exhibits.pdf>
- View unofficial Word Document created by TLTA of substantive redlined changes:
https://www.tlta.com/documents/TDI_Rulemaking_exhibits.docx

2. Minor Corrections - Published September 2024

- TDI made small corrections (typos and formatting) in the final order that was published and provided those changes separately.
- View Here:
<https://www.tlta.com/documents/SeptemberTDIChanges.pdf>

If you encounter any difficulties, feel free to [contact TLTA](#) or [myself](#).

CLEAN-UP NOTES

Installment #10 is the clean-up edition. As with the new T-47.1 form, FINT forms (which deal primarily with licensing matters) can now be signed electronically with a declaration. Escrow checks may be signed electronically as well—though you should verify your company's policy, as some title companies may not fully embrace electronic signatures.

[Review FINT Form Changes »](#)

Additionally, a number of non-substantive changes will take effect on November 1. Please note that the Texas Department of Insurance has relocated, so TDI's address has been updated on many forms. The audit opinion language has also been revised to comply with current Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) practices.

Good luck! The new rule package provides significant benefits to consumers, introduces improved and new coverages for the title industry, and modernizes operations. Now we can turn to a brand new agenda of items to consider!

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