

**5316 CHANGES IN FAMILY COMPOSITION**

- 5316.1 The Family shall request DCHA approval to add a new Family member, with the exception of the addition of a Family member as a result of birth, adoption, foster placement or court-awarded custody. However, in all circumstances the Family is required to notify DCHA of the addition in accordance with Chapter 84 (Rent Subsidy Programs: Certifications) of this title of the DCMR.
- 5316.2 Requests to add adult Family members are subject to DCHA's eligibility requirements at Chapter 51 (Eligibility Considerations and Initial Family Composition) of this title of the DCMR.
- 5316.3 DCHA shall only consider a request to add an adult to the Family composition under the following circumstances:
- (a) Marriage;
  - (b) If the adult is to be added as a live-in aide; or
  - (c) As a reasonable accommodation.
- 5316.4 Before DCHA's approval can be finalized, the Family shall obtain the owner's written approval to add a new Family member or a live-in aide.
- 5316.5 If the owner declines to approve the addition of a new adult Family member, the Family will be issued a transfer voucher. The new member will be added to the Family composition once the Family member has moved into a new unit.
- 5316.6 DCHA shall not add any Family members who claim citizenship or eligible immigration status to the household until a social security number is provided and verified.

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