5208 **VOUCHER ISSUANCE**

- After an applicant Family has been deemed eligible, selected from the waiting list, and attended an oral briefing, DCHA shall issue a Voucher to the Family.
- The initial term of the Voucher shall be one hundred eighty (180) calendar days. The Family shall submit HUD Form-52517, Request for Tenancy Approval (RTA) or RTA package, within the one hundred eighty (180) calendar days.
- Upon the Family's submission of a RTA package and proposed lease, the initial term of the Voucher shall be suspended until the unit passes or fails Housing Quality Standards (HQS) inspection.
- DCHA shall document the suspension of the Voucher term following the submission of an RTA package and shall provide the Family written notice of suspension by first class mail. The notice shall include the specific date that the suspension takes effect. If DCHA subsequently lifts the suspension of the Voucher because the unit is not approved, DCHA shall provide written notice to the tenant by first class mail and specify the new expiration date of the voucher term.
- 5208.6 Extensions to the initial term of a Voucher shall be granted for a period necessary to reasonably accommodate a Family member whose disability has interfered with his or her ability to find housing, in accordance with federal and local law.

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