

**§ 153.8 Appeal.**

(a) An applicant may appeal a determination made by FEMA that the applicant is not eligible to participate in the distribution of funds. An applicant may not appeal the amount of the award.

(b) The applicant must submit a notice of his/her intent to appeal to FEMA's Appeals Specialist within 15 calendar days of the date of the issuance of FEMA's determination of eligibility. The notice of intention to appeal must be sent to: Appeals Specialist, Office of Dispute Resolution, Heroes Stamp, USFA, NETC, 16825 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727. A notice of intention to appeal submitted by facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted. The applicant must submit, along with the notice of appeal, a brief statement explaining why the applicant believes the determination regarding the application was incorrect. The notice of intention to appeal is deemed filed on the date it is received by FEMA.

(c) The applicant must file an appeal within 60 calendar days of the date of

the issuance of FEMA's determination. An appeal shall mean a written explanation of the applicant's basis to contest FEMA's eligibility determination. The appeal shall not exceed 15 pages, exclusive of supporting documentation. The appeal must be sent to: Appeals Specialist, Office of Dispute Resolution, Heroes Stamp, USFA, NETC, 16825 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727. Appeals submitted by facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted. All supporting documentation must be submitted with the appeal. The appeal is deemed filed on the date it is received by FEMA.

(d) FEMA's decision on the appeal will constitute the final agency decision on the matter.

**§ 153.9 Subrogation.**

No person or entity having paid other benefits or compensation to or on behalf of an eligible claimant shall have any right of recovery, whether through subrogation or otherwise, against the compensation paid by the Fund.

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