

Frequently Asked Questions

LET TO BUY MORTGAGES

Q. What is a let to buy mortgage?

It is where a client decides to rent their current residential property out and purchases a new property in which to live due to job relocation or personal circumstances.

Q. What products do you offer for a let to buy mortgage?

All current rates shown on our product guide are available for let to buy applications.

Q. Will Keystone accept all let to buy applications?

No, Keystone will only lend if the applicant already has a buy to let property. We cannot lend where the loan would be treated as a regulated mortgage.

Q. What if the applicant has lived in this residential property and it is now rented?

If the property has been rented out for over 12 months by the applicant and they can prove the rental income that is being received then yes, Keystone can lend.

Q. What are the stamp duty implications with buy to let mortgages?

On second and subsequent houses an additional 5% stamp duty is payable, although if you sell your previous residential property within 3 years you can apply for a refund of the higher SDLT rate part of your stamp duty bill. We suggest that your client seeks tax advice before proceeding with an application.

Q. What additional documents does the applicant need to provide?

The applicant will need to provide the following additional documents:

- Details and proof of mortgage on onward purchase or rental
- Proof of new address to evidence the applicant has moved out of the property upon completion.