QUESTION:
Since the “Fourth of July” is on a Saturday this year, how will that impact counting days?

ANSWER:
Because the Fourth of July is on Saturday, the state holiday is recognized on Friday, July 3, 2020. When counting days based on the statewide forms “Computation of Time” provision, brokers should count Friday, July 3, 2020, as a holiday. Friday, July 3, 2020 should not be counted as a “business day” and no time period, counted in days, may end on Friday, July 3, 2020.

The Form 21 Computation of Time provision establishes that no time period of five days or less may include weekends or holidays. Friday, July 3, 2020, should not be counted as a “day” if the time period includes five or fewer days.

Additionally, the Form 21 Computation of Time provision establishes that no time period (except possession), measured in days, may end on a weekend or holiday. Whenever the final day of a time period (other than possession) lands on a weekend or holiday, the expiration of the time period is automatically extended to 9 pm, the following business day. If any time period (except possession) would otherwise end on Friday, July 3, 2020, the time period is automatically extended to 9 pm on Monday, July 6, 2020.

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