

Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Reduction Eligibility Decision Tree and Worksheets

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Purpose

The Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Reduction Eligibility Decision Tree and Worksheets includes three documents to assist state education agencies (SEAs) and local education agencies (LEAs)/educational service agencies (ESAs) with MOE reduction. First is a decision tree that guides SEAs and LEAs through a series of questions to determine an LEA's/ESA's eligibility to reduce MOE. The second document is an Excel-based worksheet that facilitates the calculation of the maximum allowable amount of MOE reduction and coordinated early intervening ervices (CEIS) for the LEAs/ESAs. The third document is an Excel-based worksheet that facilitates the calculation of the maximum allowable amount of MOE reduction and CEIS for all the LEAs/ESAs within the SEA.

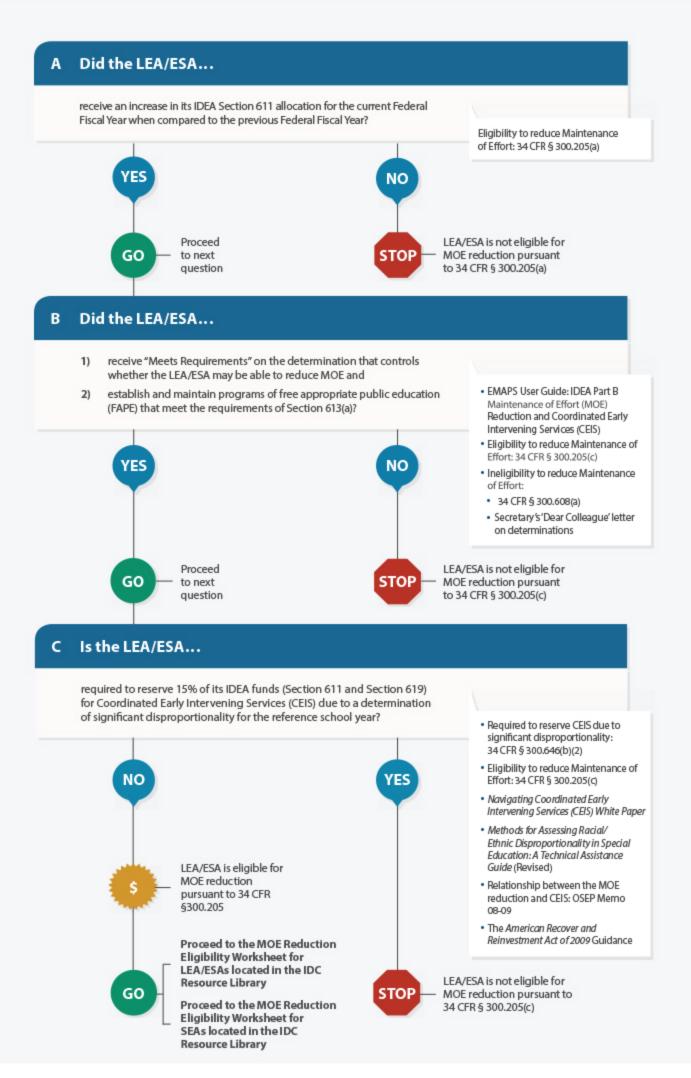
Instructions

The SEAs and LEAs/ESAs proceed through a series of questions in the decision tree to determine if an LEA/ESA is eligible to reduce MOE. An LEA/ESA may reduce MOE provided it received an increase in the Individuals with *Disabilities Education Act* (IDEA) Section 611 allocations from the previous year, "meets requirements" determination, maintained free appropriate public education (FAPE), and was not identified with significant disproportionality.

Once the LEA/ESA is determined to be eligible to reduce MOE, the Excel-based worksheet is designed to allow for the SEA and/or LEA/ESA to correctly calculate the maximum allowable amount of MOE reduction and CEIS.

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