

# 17.208 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.

(a) Insert a provision substantially the same as the provision at [52.217-3](#), Evaluation Exclusive of Options, in *solicitations* when the *solicitation* includes an *option* clause and does not include one of the provisions prescribed in paragraph (b) or (c) of this section.

(b) Insert a provision substantially the same as the provision at [52.217-4](#), Evaluation of Options Exercised at Time of Contract Award, in *solicitations* when the *solicitation* includes an *option* clause, the *contracting officer* has determined that there is a reasonable likelihood that the *option* will be exercised, and the *option may* be exercised at the time of contract award.

(c) Insert a provision substantially the same as the provision at [52.217-5](#), Evaluation of Options, in *solicitations* when-

(1) The *solicitation* contains an *option* clause;

(2) An *option* is not to be exercised at the time of contract award;

(3) A firm-fixed-price contract, a fixed-price contract with economic price adjustment, or other type of contract approved under agency procedures is contemplated; and

(4) The *contracting officer* has determined that there is a reasonable likelihood that the *option* will be exercised. For sealed bids, the determination *shall be in writing*.

(d) Insert a clause substantially the same as the clause at [52.217-6](#), Option for Increased Quantity, in *solicitations* and contracts, other than those for services, when the inclusion of an *option* is appropriate (see [17.200](#) and [17.202](#)) and the *option* quantity is expressed as a percentage of the basic contract quantity or as an additional quantity of a specific *line item*.

(e) Insert a clause substantially the same as the clause at [52.217-7](#), Option for Increased Quantity-Separately Priced Line Item, in *solicitations* and contracts, other than those for services, when the inclusion of an *option* is appropriate (see [17.200](#) and [17.202](#)) and the *option* quantity is identified as a separately priced *line item* having the same nomenclature as a corresponding *line item*.

(f) Insert a clause substantially the same as the clause at [52.217-8](#), Option to Extend Services, in *solicitations* and contracts for services when the inclusion of an *option* is appropriate. (See [17.200](#), [17.202](#), and [37.111](#).)

(g) Insert a clause substantially the same as the clause at [52.217-9](#), Option to Extend the Term of the Contract, in *solicitations* and contracts when the inclusion of an *option* is appropriate (see [17.200](#) and [17.202](#)) and it is necessary to include in the contract any or all of the following:

(1) A requirement that the Government *must* give the contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend the contract.

(2) A statement that an extension of the contract includes an extension of the *option*.

(3) A specified limitation on the total duration of the contract.

**Parent topic:** Subpart 17.2 - Options