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216.401 General.

(c) See PGI [216.401](#) (c) for information on the Defense Acquisition University Award and Incentive Fees Community of Practice.

(d) The determination and findings justifying that the use of an incentive- or award-fee contract is in the best interest of the Government, may be signed by the head of contracting activity or a designee—

(i) No lower than one level below the head of the contracting activity for award-fee contracts; or

(ii) One level above the contracting officer for incentive-fee contracts.

(e) Award-fee plans required in FAR 16.401(e) shall be incorporated into all award-fee type contracts. Follow the procedures at PGI [216.401](#) (e) when planning to award an award-fee contract.

- **[216.401-71 Objective criteria.](#)**

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