

Acquisition Bulletin No. 25-08 Deviation No. 2025-00008

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MEMORANDUM FOR TREASURY ACQUISITION PERSONNEL

FROM: Alan J. Monico Jr. Acting Senior Procurement Executive

- SUBJECT: Class Deviation No. 2025-00008 Implementing the Class Deviation from the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 43, in accordance with Executive Order (EO) 14275, "Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement,"
- 1. <u>PURPOSE</u>: This Acquisition Bulletin (AB) approves a class deviation to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) part 43 for purposes of implementing the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council's (the Council's) model deviation text to FAR Part 43.
- 2. <u>BACKGROUND</u>: On April 15, 2025, <u>EO 14275</u>, <u>Restoring Common Sense to Federal</u> <u>Procurement</u> was signed. Section 2 of the EO establishes the policy that the FAR "should only contain provisions required by statute or essential sound procurement, and any FAR provisions that do not advance these objectives should be removed."

The FAR is being updated to:

- Remove language that is not required by statute
- Remove duplicative or outdated language
- Clarify or provide more plain language
- Revise language for the new FAR framework
- Retain language necessary for governmentwide acquisition standards.

This project is referred to as the <u>Revolutionary FAR Overhaul (RFO) initiative</u>. This initiative will make the FAR more concise, understandable, and focused on core procurement requirements. This class deviation is issued under the authority of EO 14275, OMB M-25-25, and 48 CFR 1.4

3. <u>SUMMARY OF CHANGES</u>.

FAR part 43, Contract Modifications, has been streamlined to provide the essential contract modification standards for the workforce to limit risk to the public and government.

Statutory requirements retained in the RFO FAR part 43 model deviation include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 31 U.S.C. § 1501, Documentary Evidence Requirement for Government Obligations
- 31 U.S.C. § 1341, Anti-Deficiency Act
- 41 U.S.C. §§ 7101-7109, Contract Disputes Act of 1978

Change	Description
Retained	 Non-statutory definitions and procedures for contract modifications are retained to maintain uniformity across Government. Instructions for documenting and definitizing change orders are retained and clarified.
Removed	• Plain language edits have been made throughout, resulting in a 300 word decrease.

This table is not an exhaustive list.

- 4. <u>AUTHORITY</u>: This class deviation is issued under the authority of E.O. 14275, <u>OMB M-</u> <u>25-25</u>, and 48 CFR 1.4.
- 5. <u>GUIDANCE:</u> Contracting Officers shall follow the RFO part 43 deviation text instead of FAR part 43 as codified at 48 CFR Chapter 1. The Council's RFO part 43 model deviation text is available at <u>www.Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul</u> and is incorporated into this class deviation.

Do not include the following clause in future solicitations and contracts. For open solicitations or awarded contracts, the Contracting Officer has discretion regarding the need to enforce or amend the clause.

Review templates and related standard operating procedures to align with this deviation and remove unnecessary processes or steps.

- 6. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>: This class deviation is effective immediately and remains in effect until rescinded or incorporated into the FAR.
- 7. <u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>: The point of contact for this AB is Mr. Steve Kvalevog who can be reached at <u>Steven.Kvalevog@treasury.gov.</u>