



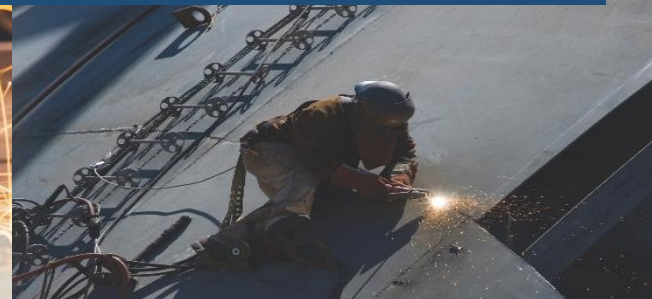
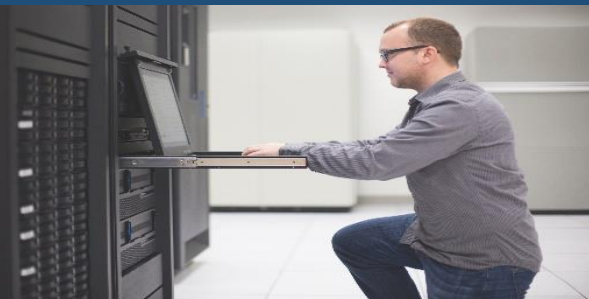
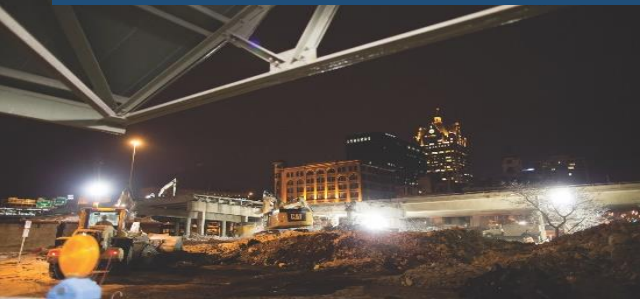
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OVERVIEW OF THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR)

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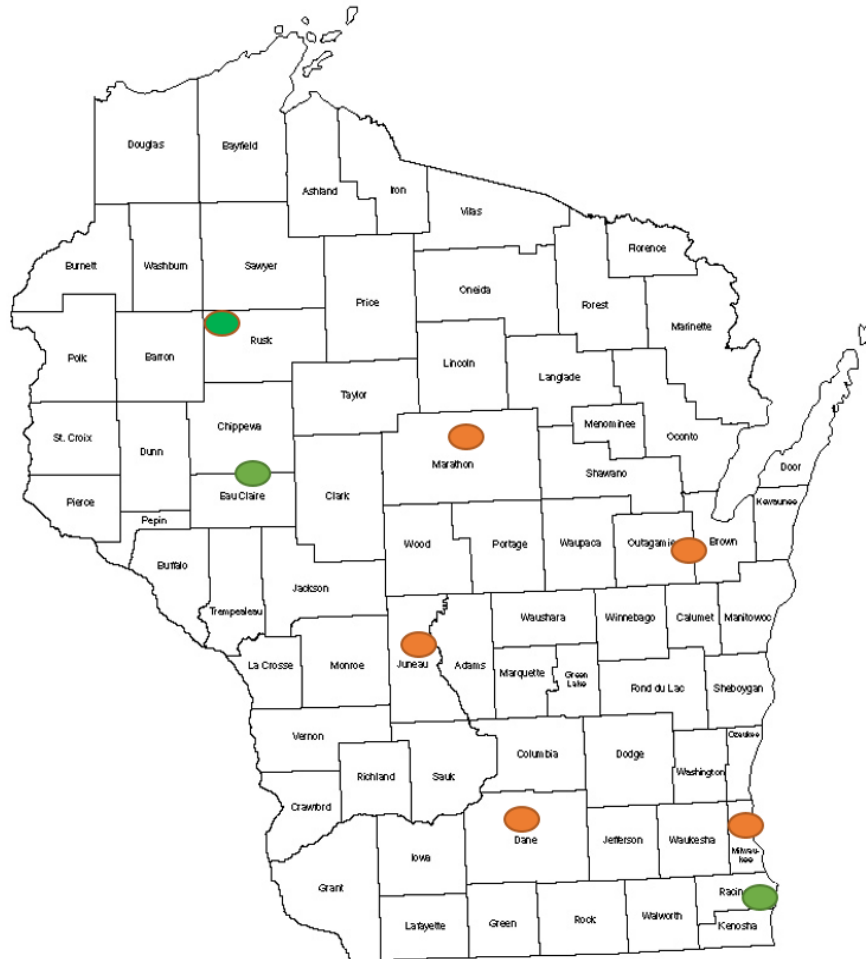
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1. [SBA Seeks Funding Proposals from Non-Profits and Local Institutions to Provide Entrepreneurship Training for Service Members, Military Spouses and Veterans - January 18, 2017](#)
WASHINGTON – The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is inviting funding proposals from non-profit organizations, state, local and tribal government agencies, and institutions of higher learning to provide “Boots to Business” entrepreneurship training to service members, military spouses, and veterans.

2. [Chicago Secures \\$1 Billion in Federal Grant Funding for Rail Upgrades - January 10, 2017](#)
Chicago’s Transit Authority will receive nearly \$1.1 billion in federal grant funding to help pay for upgrades meant to expand rail capacity on the north side of the city, officials said Monday.

The money will go toward roughly \$2.1 billion of planned work on the city’s Red and Purple “L” lines. This will include improvements to track, stations, power and signal systems, and the purchase of 32 new railcars, according to the Federal Transit Administration.

3. [Secure That Smart Toaster and Win \\$3,000- January 4, 2017](#) The Federal Trade Commission is offering up to \$25,000 in prize money for applications or tools that help people protect their smart home devices from hackers, according to a Federal Register notice.

The competition, which will announce winners in July, comes as the internet is creeping into more and more household devices ranging from baby monitors to toasters.

These internet-of-things devices are often less secure than traditional internet-connected devices such as laptops and smartphones. It’s also often more difficult to update the software in these devices to patch vulnerabilities, making

What we will Cover Today

- What is the FAR
- Where to Find the FAR
- Why you Need to Know the FAR
- How to Use the FAR



What is the FAR?

- Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is the primary regulation used by all Federal executive agencies in their acquisition of supplies and services with appropriated funds.
- The FAR was established to codify uniform policies for acquisition of supplies and services by Federal executive agencies. Currently using the March 2005 version.

What is the FAR?

- FAR is routinely updated to implement new laws and executive orders. Updates are called Federal Acquisition Circulars (FAC). Latest change is FAC 2005-95, dated January 19, 2017.
- Changes are published in the Federal Register.

Where is the FAR?

- Officially the FAR is located at the following website:
<https://www.acquisition.gov/?q=browsefar>

Contains HTML Format, PDF Format, Federal Acquisition Circulars (FAC), and Agency Supplemental Regulations

- An alternate site to locate the FAR is:
<http://farsite.hill.af.mil/>

The Air Force military site also contains Agency Supplemental Regulations



Home	Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)	Supplemental Regulations	Acquisition Systems	Archives	CAO.gov
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Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)

FAC Number / Effective Date: 2005-94,2005-95 / 01-19-2017 - Download Entire FAR -  

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See [Federal Acquisition Regulation Codification](#) (FAR) for help finding what regulation you need

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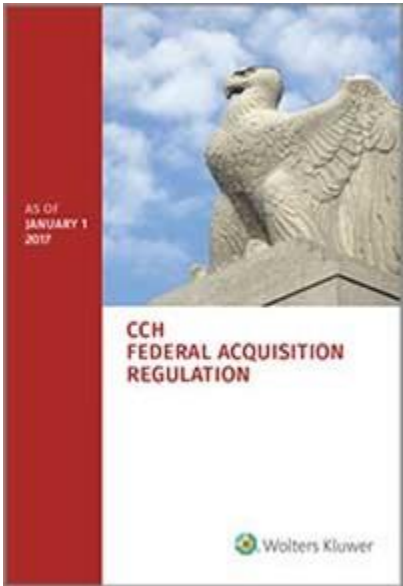
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[Environmental Protection Agency Acquisition Regulation \(EPPAR\) TOC](#)

The Air Force military site also has a mobile version available



Hard Copy FAR

- Can print a copy of the entire FAR from the website
- Wolters Kluwer Law & Business publishes updated soft cover version in January and July. Current cost \$115.00. Becomes outdated when next FAC is issued.

<https://lrus.wolterskluwer.com/store/products/federal-acquisition-regulation-far-january-1-2017-prod-10030148-0008/softcover-book-item-1-10030148-0008>

Other Options

- **General Services Administration (GSA) has a iBook version of the FAR**
- **Apps are available - however none were updated to the latest FAC.**

Why Learn About the FAR?

- Understand what you are agreeing and committing to when you sign a Federal Government contract.
- FAR Clauses are non-negotiable. However, you can become better prepared for negotiations with the Federal Government.
- Understand your responsibilities when responding to a solicitation.
- Understand your rights and responsibilities as a Federal Government Contractor.
- Knowledge is power.

FAR Structure

- FAR contains 53 Parts, the Matrix, and Appendix
- Parts 1 – 51 – Actual Regulations divided into subchapters

General

Competition and Acquisition Planning

Contracting Methods and Contract Types

Socioeconomic Programs

General Contracting Requirements

Special Categories of Contracting

Contract Management

FAR Structure

- Part 52 contains Solicitation Provisions and Contract Clauses
 - Solicitations include both Contract Clauses and Provisions.
 - At time of award most contracting officers remove the provision section of the solicitation.
 - Final Contract includes the clauses but no provisions.
- Part 53 contains Forms
- Matrix – Provides guidance to contracting officers when writing documents
- Appendix – Cost Accounting Standards

How to Use the FAR

- You do not need to read the entire FAR.
- Read the sections that apply to you as outlined in the solicitation/contract.
- Use the Table of Contents or on-line search features to locate what you are looking for.
- FAR parts are “Reserved” when the regulations change and that portion is no longer applicable.

How to Use the FAR

- Each FAR clause or provision starts with 52.2__-__, followed by the name, and effective date. Such as **52.219-6 Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2011)**.

The first __ provides which FAR Part is being used.

This can be used to quickly go to the Part of the FAR covered by the clause or provision.

The second __ numbers provisions/clauses within the Part.

How to Use the FAR

- Provisions/clauses can be in full text or referenced. Referenced provisions/clauses have same impact as full text ones. FAR Matrix indicates if provision/clause can be referenced. Final decision is with the Contracting Officer.
- Each provision/clause provides where in the FAR it is prescribed to use the provision/clause. The FAR states when the contracting officer shall use each provision/clause.
- Electronic version of the FAR contains hyperlinks to go between the provision/clause and when to use it.

How to Use the FAR

52.214-22 Evaluation of Bids for Multiple Awards.

As prescribed in [14.201-6](#)(q), insert the following provision:

Evaluation of Bids for Multiple Awards (Mar 1990)

In addition to other factors, bids will be evaluated on the basis of advantages and disadvantages to the Government that might result from making more than one award (multiple awards). It is assumed, for the purpose of evaluating bids, that \$500 would be the administrative cost to the Government for issuing and administering each contract awarded under this solicitation, and individual awards will be for the items or combinations of items that result in the lowest aggregate cost to the Government, including the assumed administrative costs.

(End of provision)

Agency Supplements

- Agency Acquisition Regulations implement or supplement the FAR.
- Each Agency Supplement adds an additional number to the front of the reference number. There are 30 Agency Supplements. Agency Supplements follow the FAR basic format.

DFAR – 252.219-7003 Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations

GSAM – 552.219-70 General Services Acquisition Regulations

VAAR– 852.219-9 Department of Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulations

Agency Supplements

- Agency regulations follow the structure and numbering system of the original FAR when supplementing the FAR.
 - FAR 52.211-6 Brand Name or Equal
 - VAAR 852.211-73 Brand Name or Equal
- Agency regulations add additional parts when adding information not found in the FAR.
- VAAR 852.271-70 Nondiscrimination in Services Provided to Beneficiaries

What is the Most Important Part of the FAR?

- All of it.
- The most important part to you is the part that currently applies to the solicitation or contract you are looking at.
- Small Businesses should review and understand the Small Business Programs located in Part 19.
- Federal Supply Schedule Holders (GSA or VA) should review and understand Federal Supply Schedules located in Part 8.4.

Some Useful Parts of the FAR

- Part 2 – Definitions
- Part 22 – Labor Laws
- Part 28 – Bonds and Insurance
- Part 29 – Taxes
- Part 33 – Protests
- Part 36 – Construction and Architect-Engineer Contracts
- Part 44 – Subcontracting Policies and Procedures
- Part 49 - Terminations

Fill in the Blanks

- Some clauses/provisions have blanks to fill in.
- Blanks should be filled in by the Contracting Officer or the offeror/bidder depending on the clause/provision.
- Language within clause/provision may indicate who should complete the fill in the blank, either the Contracting Officer or the offeror/bidder.

Contractor/Offeror Fill in the Blank

52.215-6 Place of Performance (Oct 1997)

- (a) The offeror or respondent, in the performance of any contract resulting from this solicitation, intends, does not intend [*check applicable block*] to use one or more plants or facilities located at a different address from the address of the offeror or respondent as indicated in this proposal or response to request for information.
- (b) If the offeror or respondent checks “intends” in paragraph (a) of this provision, it shall insert in the following spaces the required information:

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(End of provision)

Contracting Officer Fill in the Blank

52.217-8 Option to Extend Services (Nov 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within _____ *[insert the period of time within which the Contracting Officer may exercise the option]*.

(End of clause)

Alternates

- Provisions and clauses may have alternate paragraphs that changes the language and meaning of the provision or clause.
- Contracting Officer determines which version of the provision or clause to use.
- **52.219-1 Small Business Program Representations (OCT 2014)**
- **52.219-1 Small Business Program Representations (OCT 2014) Alternate I (SEPT 2015)**

Clause Dates

- Dates on clauses are very important.
- Generally the clause revision in effect at date of Contract Award is the applicable clause. When dealing with subcontracts, the Prime generally must flow down the clause revision in effect at date of the Prime Contract, not the award of the subcontract.

Is the FAR just Boiler Plate Language?

- There are approximately 600 various provisions/clauses in the FAR.
- Contracting Officers select which ones are applicable to the type of contract they are writing.
- Which ones they select can impact your contract and the cost to you to provide the supplies and services under the contract.

FAR Includes

- How the Government will order
- How the Government will inspect and accept
- How and when the Government will make payment
- Required warranties
- Required bonding and insurance
- Subcontracting rules for both large and small businesses
- Reporting requirements
- Contract options

FAR Language

- Amendment – change made to solicitation before contract award.
- Modification – written change to the terms of a contract.
- Shall and Must – indicate an obligation to act. Most solicitations indicate Contractor “shall”.
- Should – indicates an expected course of action to be followed unless inappropriate for a particular circumstance.
- Will – indicates an anticipated future action or result.
- May – indicates a discretionary action. Most solicitations indicate Government “may”.

Additional Resource

- Acquisition.gov contains additional information for both government sellers and buyers.
- Set up as a one-stop government website for acquisition information.
- Acquisition.gov Website is:
<https://www.acquisition.gov/>

Resources:



- FAR: <https://www.acquisition.gov/?q=browsefar>
- Air Force FAR: <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/>
- FAR Hard Copy:
<https://irus.wolterskluwer.com/store/products/federal-acquisition-regulation-far-january-1-2017-prod-10030148-0008/softcover-book-item-1-10030148-0008>
- Acquisition.gov is: <https://www.acquisition.gov/>
- Federal Business Opportunities (FedBizOpps) website - <https://www.fbo.gov/>
- Wisconsin Procurement Institute - Phone: 414-270-3600 www.wispro.org

Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR)

- A series of webinars on Wednesdays from 6.00pm to 7.00pm.
 - This introductory session of the FAR REVIEW series is geared towards those interested in becoming CFCM certified. Sessions of this FAR REVIEW series will cover all parts of the FAR and will be beneficial to current Federal contractors and subcontractors even if not intending to participate in the NCMA certification exam.
- Schedule listed below:
 - <https://www.wispro.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/FAR-Training-Webinar-Schedule.pdf>

Acquisition Hour Webinars

- April 5, 2017 – [Export Controls – ITAR and Associated Requirements](#) – Presented by WPI
- April 18, 2017 – [Overview of CPARS](#) – Presented by WPI
- April 19, 2017 – [The New Small Mentor Protégé Program – The SBA Perspective](#) – Presented by US-SBA
- May 2, 2017 – [The HUBZone Program – Certification Benefits and New Regulations](#) – Presented by US-SBA
- May 16, 2017 – [Understanding your Obligations when Quoting and Receiving Awards from Defense Logistics Agency \(DLA\) DIBBS](#) – presented by WPI

Upcoming WPI Events

- [WHAT IT TAKES TO WIN – WRITING AN EFFECTIVE PROPOSAL](#) – April 6, 2017 – Milwaukee – WI
- [FORT MCCOY ACQUISITION OPEN HOUSE FORUM](#) – April 18, 2017 – Fort McCoy, WI
- [5th ANNUAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS BUSINESS CONFERENCE](#) – May 10, 2017 – Brown Deer – WI
- [DOD CONTRACTOR BUSINESS SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS CRITICAL TO CONTRACTOR SUCCESS](#) – May 17, 2017 – Wauwatosa, WI
- [DOING BUSINESS WITH THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE](#) – June 14, 2017 – Ashland, WI
- [11TH ANNUAL VOLK FIELD SMALL BUSINESS CONFERENCE](#) – June 27 – 28, 2017 – Camp Douglas, WI

Government Contracting Opportunities for Small Businesses

- [May 2 & 3, 2017 – Crandon, WI](#)
- [May 23, 2017 – Florence, WI](#)
- [June 13, 2017 – Superior, WI](#)



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