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Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: Peace Corps.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: This agenda announces the regulations the Peace Corps will have under development during the 6-month period from October 1, 2003, through March 31, 2004. The purpose of publishing this agenda is to give notice of any regulatory activity by the Agency in order to allow the public an opportunity to participate in the rulemaking process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The public is encouraged to contact the agency official listed for the particular agenda item. For other information concerning Peace Corps' regulations or this semiannual agenda, contact Suzanne B. Glasow, Associate General Counsel, Peace Corps, 1111 20th Street NW., Washington, DC 20526, (202) 692-2150.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with Executive Order 12866 entitled "Regulatory Planning and Review" and the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601-612, executive agencies are required to publish in the **Federal Register** semiannual regulatory agendas in April and October of each year. The regulations being considered

by the Peace Corps are not "significant" rules within the meaning of Executive Order 12866, and no regulatory impact analysis is required. In addition, the Peace Corps has determined, under the Regulatory Flexibility Act, that the regulations under consideration will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Accordingly, no Regulatory Flexibility Analysis is required. The Agency has also determined that the regulations will not impose compliance costs or reporting burdens on the public.

Dated: September 20, 2003.
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3800. HANDICAPPED DISCRIMINATION PROHIBITION AND PROCEDURES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 29 USC 794

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 313

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The regulation implements section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in programs or activities

conducted by executive agencies or the Postal Service.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/08/91	56 FR 50684
NPRM Comment Period End	12/09/91	
Second NPRM	03/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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RIN: 0420—AA03

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3801. ELIGIBILITY AND STANDARDS FOR PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER SERVICE REGARDING PROCEDURES—APPEALS**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Legal Authority:** 75 Stat 612, secs 4(b), 5(a), and 22; 22 USC 2504; EO 12137, May 16, 1979; International Security and Development Cooperation Act of 1981, sec 601; 95 Stat 1519 and 1540**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 305**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** The Peace Corps is reviewing its Eligibility and Standards for Peace Corps Service, specifically with regard to establishing and publishing an appeals procedure for administrative and medical deselection. 42 U.S.C. 5057(c)(1), as amended, no longer provides authority for the listed agenda item. Therefore, 42 U.S.C. 5057, as above, shall be deleted from future printings of the Unified Agenda.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/04	

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Phone: 202 692—2150
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Email: tposey@peacecorps.gov**RIN:** 0420—AA10**3802. VOLUNTEER DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT PROCEDURE****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Legal Authority:** 22 USC 2503; 5 USC 553 and 554**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 306; 45 CFR 1225**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** The Peace Corps is promulgating its own regulations regarding the Volunteer Discrimination Complaint Procedure to replace the current cross—reference to the former ACTION's regulations applicable to Peace Corps volunteers, which appear in 45 CFR part 1225.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/04	

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Phone: 202 692—2150
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Email: tposey@peacecorps.gov**RIN:** 0420—AA11**3803. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552a; 22 USC 2503(b); EO 12137**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 308**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** The Peace Corps is revising its Privacy Act regulation to be consistent with revisions to its systems of records and to delete unnecessary and outdated provisions.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Agency Contact:** Tyler S. Posey, General Counsel, Peace Corps, Suite 8200, 1111 20th Street NW, Washington, DC 20526—0001
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Email: tposey@peacecorps.gov**RIN:** 0420—AA15**3804. ORGANIZATION****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552; 22 USC 2503(b); EO 12137**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 302**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** The Peace Corps is removing this rule from the Code of Federal Regulations because it is outdated and unnecessary. Information on Peace Corps' organization is routinely updated and published in the Federal Register's "United States Government Manual."**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Agency Contact:** Tyler S. Posey, General Counsel, Peace Corps, Suite 8200, 1111 20th Street NW, Washington, DC 20526—0001
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3805. SUPPLEMENTAL STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR PEACE CORPS EMPLOYEES**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Legal Authority:** EO 12674; 5 CFR 2635.105**CFR Citation:** 22 CFR 307; 5 CFR 67 (New)**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** The Peace Corps is removing part 307 from the Code of Federal Regulations. Part 307 provides the standards of conduct applicable to Peace Corps employees. Peace Corps employees are already subject to the Governmentwide regulations on employee standards of conduct, and the

Peace Corps is considering the appropriate action to take in regard to its supplemental standards of conduct.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/05/03	68 FR 5857

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Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM Comment	03/07/03	
Period End		
Final Action	03/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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RIN: 0420—AA09**3806. RESPONSIBILITIES AND ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR PEACE CORPS EMPLOYEES****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 7301; 5 USC app Ethics in Government Act of 1978; EO 12674; 5 CFR 2635.105; 5 CFR 2635.403; 5 CFR 2635.803

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 307**Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: The Peace Corps is removing part 307 from the Code of Federal Regulations. Part 307 provides the standards of conduct applicable to Peace Corps employees. Peace Corps employees are already subject to the Governmentwide regulations on employee standards of conduct, and the Peace Corps is considering the appropriate action to take in regard to its own supplemental standards of conduct.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/05/03	68 FR 5857
NPRM Comment	03/07/03	
Period End		
Final Action	03/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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3807. INSPECTION AND COPYING OF RECORDS: RULES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 552; 22 USC 2503(b); EO 12137

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 303**Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: The Peace Corps is revising its Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) regulation to implement the 1996 revisions to FOIA and to include Office of Inspector General provisions.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/02/03	68 FR 39490
NPRM Comment	08/01/03	
Period End		
Final Action	03/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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RIN: 0420—AA14**3808. GOVERNMENTWIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NONPROCUREMENT) AND GOVERNMENTWIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR DRUG—FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTS)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: sec 2455, PL 103—355, 108 Stat 3327; EO 12549, 3 CFR 1986 Comp, p 189; EO 12698, 3 CFR 1989 Comp, p 235

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 310**Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: The Peace Corps intends to publish proposed revisions to its Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug—Free Workplace (Financial Assistance) rule in 22 CFR part 310 in conjunction with other participating agencies. Under the proposed rule, Peace Corps' debarment and suspension provisions would remain in part 310 and would set out procedures to be used by the Peace Corps when it has evidence that a recipient of Peace Corps funds pursuant to a nonprocurement agreement, such as grant or cooperative agreement, has committed fraud, embezzlement, forgery, or a variety of other serious offenses.

The rule's drug—free workplace provisions would be moved to a new rule, part 312, and would include requirements, prohibitions, and procedures regarding the unlawful manufacturing, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance by a grantee of the Peace Corps in conducting any activity under a Peace Corps grant.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/23/02	67 FR 3266
NPRM Comment	03/25/02	
Period End		
Final Action	03/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No**Government Levels Affected:** None

Federalism: This action may have federalism implications as defined in EO 13132.

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