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Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: NASA's regulatory agenda describes those regulations being considered for development or amendment by NASA, the need and legal basis for the actions being

considered, the name and telephone number of the knowledgeable official, whether a regulatory analysis is required, and the status of regulations previously reported. This edition of the Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions includes The Regulatory Plan, which appears in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**. NASA's Statement of Regulatory Priorities is included in part II.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB guidelines dated July 31, 2003, "Fall 2003 Regulatory Plan and Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions" require a regulatory agenda of those regulations under development and review to be published in the **Federal Register** each April and October.

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3618. INVESTIGATION RESEARCH MISCONDUCT

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1275

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is proposing this rule to implement the “Federal Policy on Research Misconduct,” issued by the Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Federal Register (FR) on December 6, 2000 (65 FR 76260). This proposed rule sets out the definition of research misconduct, the procedures for investigating allegations of research misconduct and recommending findings, and the procedure for adjudicating and appealing such findings. Findings of research misconduct must be accompanied by recommendations for administrative action by NASA in order to discourage such behavior and ensure the integrity of research funded by NASA.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3619. NASA GRANT AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT HANDBOOK

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1260

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: NASA is amending 14 CFR 1260 to provide guidance on the format and content of its Cooperative Agreement Notices (CANs).

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3620. ● ACCESS TO SENSITIVE INFORMATION

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1809; 48 CFR 1852

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The rule amends the NASA FAR Supplement to include policy, guidance, and contract clauses addressing contractor access to sensitive information. This change is in response to the increased use of data management systems and reliance on

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contractors to support the administrative and technical functions of the Agency. This combination of factors has resulted in the increased need to release sensitive information generated by the Government or obtained from other contractors to non-Government employees.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3621. • NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) SUPPLEMENT—RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ABSTRACTS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1835; 48 CFR 1852

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA FAR Supplement to include a requirement for the electronic submission of an abstract of the planned research to be conducted under Contract containing research and development effort valued at over \$25,000. This requirement is being established to support NASA's implementation of section 207(g) of the E-Government Act of 2002.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/31/03	68 FR 62048
NPRM Comment	12/31/03	
Period End		

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3622. • REISSUANCE OF THE NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION SUPPLEMENT PARTS 1801 TO 1809, 1811, AND 1812 CONSISTENT WITH THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS SYSTEM GUIDANCE AND POLICY IN FAR PART 1

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1801 to 1809; 48 CFR 1811; 48 CFR 1812

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA FAR Supplement by removing from the CFR those portions of the NFS containing information that consists of internal Agency guidance that does not control the relationship between NASA and contractors or prospective contractors. This change is consistent with the guidance and policy in FAR part 1 regarding what comprises the Federal Acquisition Regulation System and requires public comment. The NFS document will continue to contain both information requiring codification in the CFR and internal Agency guidance in a single document that is available on the Internet.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/17/03	68 FR 64847
NPRM Comment	01/16/04	
Period End		

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3623. • GOVERNMENT PROPERTY—QUARTERLY REPORTING

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1845; 48 CFR 1852

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Government property reporting requirements will be amended to require the submission of quarterly reports in addition to the annual report.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3624. • RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ABSTRACTS—NASA GRANT AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT HANDBOOK

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1260

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The rule amends the NASA Grant and Cooperative Handbook to include a requirement for the electronic submission of an abstract of the planned research to be conducted on contracts containing research and development effort valued at over \$25,000. This requirement is being established to support NASA's implementation of section 207(g) of the E-Government Act of 2002.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

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Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3625. • REISSUANCE OF THE NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) SUPPLEMENT (NFS) PART 1813 TO 1817 CONSISTENT WITH THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS SYSTEMS GUIDANCE AND POLICY IN FAR PART 1

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1813 to 1817

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA Far Supplement (NFS) by removing from the CFR those portions of the NFS containing information that consists of internal Agency guidance that does not control the relationship between NASA and contractors or prospective contractors. This change is consistent with the guidance and policy in FAR part 1 regarding what comprises the Federal Acquisition Regulations System and requires publication for public comment. The NFS document will continue to contain both information requiring codification of CFR and internal Agency guidance in a single document that is available on the Internet.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3626. • REISSUANCE OF THE NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) SUPPLEMENT (NFS) PARTS 1819 AND 1822 TO 1825 CONSISTENT WITH THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS SYSTEM GUIDANCE AND POLICY IN FAR PART 1

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1819; 48 CFR 1822 to 1825

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA Far Supplement (NFS) by removing from the CFR those portions of the NFS containing information that consists of internal Agency guidance that does not control the relationship between NASA and contractors or prospective contractors. This change is consistent with the guidance and policy in FAR part 1 regarding what comprises the Federal Acquisition Regulations System and requires publication for public comment. The NFS document will continue to contain both information requiring codification of CFR and internal Agency guidance in a single document that is available on the Internet.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3627. • REISSUANCE OF THE NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) SUPPLEMENT (NFS) PARTS 1827 TO 1833 CONSISTENT WITH THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS SYSTEM GUIDANCE AND POLICY IN FAR PART 1

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1827 to 1833

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA Far Supplement (NFS) by removing from the CFR those portions of the NFS containing information that consists of internal Agency guidance that does not control the relationship between NASA and contractors or prospective contractors. This change is consistent with the guidance and policy in FAR part 1 regarding what comprises the Federal Acquisition Regulations System and requires publication for public comment. The NFS document will continue to contain both information requiring codification of CFR and internal Agency guidance in a single document that is available on the Internet.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3628. • REISSUANCE OF THE NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION SUPPLEMENT (NFS) PARTS 1834 TO 1837, 1839, AND 1841 CONSISTENT WITH THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS SYSTEM GUIDANCE AND POLICY IN FAR PART 1

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1834 to 1837; 48 CFR 1839; 48 CFR 1841

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA Far Supplement (NFS) by removing from the CFR those portions of the NFS containing information that consists of internal Agency guidance that does not control the relationship between NASA and contractors or prospective contractors. This change is consistent

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with the guidance and policy in FAR part 1 regarding what comprises the Federal Acquisition Regulations System and requires publication for public comment. The NFS document will continue to contain both information requiring codification of CFR and internal Agency guidance in a single document that is available on the Internet.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3629. • REISSUANCE OF THE NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) SUPPLEMENT (NFS) PARTS 1842 TO 1851 CONSISTENT WITH THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS SYSTEM GUIDANCE AND POLICY IN FAR PART 1

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1842 to 1851

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA Far Supplement (NFS) by removing from the CFR those portions of the NFS containing information that consists of internal Agency guidance that does not control the relationship between NASA and contractors or prospective contractors. This change is consistent with the guidance and policy in FAR part 1 regarding what comprises the Federal Acquisition Regulations System and requires publication for public comment. The NFS document will continue to contain both information requiring codification of CFR and internal Agency guidance in a single document that is available on the Internet.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3630. • REISSUANCE OF THE NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) SUPPLEMENT (NFS) PARTS 1852, 1853, 1871, AND 1872 CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS SYSTEM GUIDANCE AND POLICY IN FAR PART 1

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1852; 48 CFR 1853; 48 CFR 1871; 48 CFR 1872

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA Far Supplement (NFS) by removing from the CFR those portions of the NFS containing information that consists of internal Agency guidance that does not control the relationship between NASA and contractors or prospective contractors. This change is consistent with the guidance and policy in FAR part 1 regarding what comprises the Federal Acquisition Regulations System and requires publication for public comment. The NFS document will continue to contain both information requiring codification of CFR and internal Agency guidance in a single document that is available on the Internet.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3631. • NASA FAR SUPPLEMENT—PROCEDURES FOR NASA HEADQUARTERS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONTRACT AWARDS

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1805

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This change to the NFS will revise the process used to advise and provide information necessary for NASA Headquarters notification and announcements of significant contract awards.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 2700—AC89

3632. • NASA FAR SUPPLEMENT—ACQUISITION PLANNING AND OPTION EXERCISE PROCEDURES

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1805; 48 CFR 1807; 48 CFR 1817

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This change to the NFS focuses on improvement in the acquisition planning, public notice, and

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contract option exercise processes supportive of NASA's efforts under the President's Management Agenda Competitive Sourcing element.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
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Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3633. CROSS—WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1266

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This provides technical amendments to implement the cross—waiver of liability provision of the intergovernmental agreement of the International Space Station and to refine and clarify contractual cross—waivers in NASA agreements involving launch services.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	05/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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crew members' observance of a Code of Conduct.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	10/01/00	
Interim Final Rule	12/21/00	65 FR 80302
Final Rule	05/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 2700—AC40

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	07/22/03	68 FR 43333
Interim Final Rule Effective	07/22/03	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	09/22/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 2700—AC59

3634. CODE OF CONDUCT FOR INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION CREW

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2455, 2473, and 2475; 18 USC 799

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1214, subpart 1214.4

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: NASA is amending 14 CFR part 1214 by adding subpart 1214.4 to implement certain provisions of the International Space Station Intergovernmental Agreement regarding

3635. • GOVERNMENT—OWNED CONTRACTOR—OPERATED VEHICLE FLEET MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1801; 48 CFR 1811; 48 CFR 1823; 48 CFR 1851; 48 CFR 1852

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends NASA's Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Supplement (NFS) to require contractors to collect data and report on usage of Government—owned Contractor—operated vehicles, including Interagency Fleet Management System (IFMS) vehicles.

3636. • GOVERNMENT PROPERTY—INSTRUCTION FOR PREPARING NASA FORM 1018

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1845; 48 CFR 1852

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: NASA uses the data contained in contractor reports for annual financial statements and property management. In order to ensure consistent reporting of NASA property by contractors, an amendment to the NASA Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (NFS) is necessary to provide a definition of obsolete property, addresses contractor validation of 1018 data and proper reporting of software to which NASA has title, clarify other property

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classifications, and revise the date for submission of annual property reports from October 31st to October 15th.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	10/31/03	68 FR 62023
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	12/30/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 2700—AC73

3637. • GOVERNMENTWIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NONPROCUREMENT) AND GOVERNMENTWIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR DRUG—FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTS)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 41 USC 701; 42 USC 2473(c); 31 USC 6101

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1265

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: NASA is participating in a proposed common rule that proposes substantive changes and amendments to the Governmentwide nonprocurement common rule for debarment and suspension and the Governmentwide rule implementing the Drug—Free Workplace Act of 1988. The purpose of these proposed changes are as follows:

1. Resolve unnecessary technical differences between the procurement and nonprocurement debarment rules;

2. Make improvements to the existing common rule consistent with the purpose of the suspension and debarment system;

3. Revise the current approach to the style and format to use plain language; and

4. Move the drug—free workplace requirements currently in subpart F of the Debarment and Suspension Nonprocurement Common Rule to a new section.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 2700—AC76

3638. • GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS—GOVERNMENT PROPERTY REPORT

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1260

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Government property reporting requirements will be amended to revise the date for submission of annual property reports from October 31st to October 15th.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3639. • DEVELOPMENT WORK FOR INDUSTRY IN NASA WIND TUNNELS

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 50 USC 511 to 515; 42 USC 2473(c)(5) and (6)

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1210

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The regulations set forth in 14 CFR 1210 detail the policies and procedures by which NASA makes certain of its wind tunnel facilities available for use in development work by industry. NASA is in the process of updating these regulations to more accurately reflect current accounting policies and operating procedures.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	10/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Long-Term Actions

3640. • NASA GRANT AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT HANDBOOK—INVESTIGATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1260

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: NASA sometimes, albeit infrequently, requires information for investigations of individuals working on grants and cooperative agreements in order to determine whether to permit, deny, or restrict access to a NASA Center, facility, or computer system, or to NASA technical information. The provision at section 1260.35, Investigative Requirements, is inserted in all grants and cooperative agreements to ensure recipients provide the information requested by NASA for any required investigation. This proposed change is needed because recipients of grants and cooperative agreements, especially educational institutions, often do not maintain or have access to the types of information required by the provision at section 1260.35 about their staff, faculty, and students because of policy and legal

restrictions. Instead of requiring the recipients to obtain and submit personal information, this proposed rule makes it clear that the individuals needing access may provide the requisite information directly to NASA.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/15/03	68 FR 48838
NPRM Comment	10/14/03	
Period End		
Next Action Undetermined		

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3641. • NASA GRANT AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT HANDBOOK—PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1260

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This proposed rule would amend the NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook to include public acknowledgement of NASA photographs and illustrations in reports or publications generated as a result of NASA's award of grants or cooperative agreements.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/15/03	68 FR 48837
NPRM Comment	10/14/03	
Period End		
Next Action Undetermined		

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Completed Actions

3642. MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION SUPPLEMENT (NFS)

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1801 to 1872

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	08/29/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3643. NONDISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, HANDICAP, AND AGE IN PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1250; 14 CFR 1251; 14 CFR 1252

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	08/26/03	68 FR 51334

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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3644. NASA GRANT AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT HANDBOOK—MISCELLANEOUS CHANGES

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1260; 14 CFR 1274

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	08/29/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3645. NASA ASTRONAUT CANDIDATE RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION PROGRAM

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1214

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Direct Final Rule	04/23/03	68 FR 19947
Comment Period End	05/23/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3646. TEMPORARY DUTY TRAVEL—ISSUANCE OF MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HOME—TO—WORK TRANSPORTATION

Priority: Other Significant

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1204.1600

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/23/03	68 FR 37108
Final Action	10/24/03	68 FR 60847

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3647. • NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION SUPPLEMENT—FORMAT AND NUMBERING OF AWARD DOCUMENT

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1804

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends the NASA FAR Supplement to include a revised numbering scheme for contracts

required by the changes to the Federal Procurement Data System—Next Generation (FPDS—NG).

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	09/11/03	68 FR 53525

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3648. • CONFORMANCE WITH FAX 01—14 AND MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE AND EDITORIAL CHANGES

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1806; 48 CFR 1815; 48 CFR 1825; 48 CFR 1872

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final rule revised the NASA FAR Supplement (NFS) to confirm to changes made to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) by Federal Acquisition Circular 2001-14 and to make administrative and editorial changes needed to update the designated agency competition advocate, update references, and clarify the term "NASA workforce" as used in the instruction for drafting an announcement of opportunity.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	08/01/03	68 FR 45168

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3649. • NASA GRANT AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT HANDBOOK—FINANCIAL REPORTING

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 14 CFR 1260

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This change amends the NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook to reflect NASA's implementation of the Department of Health and Human Services' Payment Management System (DHHS/PMS), including electronic submission of grantees' quarterly Federal Cash Transactions Reports (SF272s). The changes also clarify NASA's policies and internal practices with regard to suspension or termination of advance payments.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	08/21/03	68 FR 50468

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3650. • NASA FEDERAL ACQUISITION SUPPLEMENT—INTERAGENCY ACQUISITION APPROVALS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1817

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule will amend the NASA FAR Supplement by establishing a 5-year limitation on interagency acquisitions.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	10/06/03	68 FR 57629

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

NASA

Completed Actions

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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**3651. • NASA GRANT AND
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
HANDBOOK—FORMAT AND
NUMBERING OF AWARD DOCUMENT**

Priority: Info./Admin./Other. Major
status under 5 USC 801 is
undetermined.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 2473(c)(1)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 1260

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends NASA's
Grant and Cooperative Handbook to
include a reviewed numbering scheme
for grants and cooperative agreements
required by the changes the Federal
Procurement Data System—Next
Generation (FPDS—NG).

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	09/18/03	68 FR 54654

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
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