

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 209 and 252**

Government procurement.

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■ Therefore, 48 CFR parts 209 and 252 are amended as follows:

■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR parts 209 and 252 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

**PART 209—CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS****209.103 and 209.103–70 [Removed]**

■ 2. Sections 209.103 and 209.103–70 are removed.

■ 3. Section 209.106 is revised to read as follows:

**209.106 Preaward surveys.**

When requesting a preaward survey, follow the procedures at PGI 209.106.

**209.106–1 and 209.106–2 [Removed]**

■ 4. Sections 209.106–1 and 209.106–2 are removed.

■ 5. Section 209.202 is revised to read as follows:

**209.202 Policy.**

(a)(1) Except for aviation critical safety items, obtain approval in accordance with PGI 209.202(a)(1) when establishing qualification requirements. See 209.270 for approval of qualification requirements for aviation critical safety items.

**Subpart 209.3 [Removed]**

■ 6. Subpart 209.3 is removed.

**PART 252—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES****252.209–7000 [Removed and Reserved]**

■ 7. Section 252.209–7000 is removed and reserved.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****48 CFR Part 212**

[DFARS Case 2003–D074]

**Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Acquisition of Commercial Items**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to update text pertaining to the acquisition of commercial items. This rule is a result of an initiative undertaken by DoD to dramatically change the purpose and content of the DFARS.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 10, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Robin Schulze, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, OUSD (AT&L) DPAP (DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telephone (703) 602–0326; facsimile (703) 602–0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2003–D074.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****A. Background**

DFARS Transformation is a major DoD initiative to dramatically change the purpose and content of the DFARS. The objective is to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the acquisition process, while allowing the acquisition workforce the flexibility to innovate. The transformed DFARS will contain only requirements of law, DoD-wide policies, delegations of FAR authorities, deviations from FAR requirements, and policies/procedures that have a significant effect beyond the internal operating procedures of DoD or a significant cost or administrative impact on contractors or offerors. Additional information on the DFARS Transformation initiative is available at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dfars/transf.htm>.

This final rule is a result of the DFARS Transformation initiative. The DFARS changes—

- Delete unnecessary text pertaining to structuring of contracts at DFARS 212.303; and
- Update a FAR reference at DFARS 212.503(c)(ii).

DoD published a proposed rule at 69 FR 31939 on June 8, 2004. DoD received no comments on the proposed rule. Therefore, DoD has adopted the proposed rule as a final rule without change.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

**B. Regulatory Flexibility Act**

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the rule deletes unnecessary text and updates reference information,

but makes no significant change to contracting policy.

**C. Paperwork Reduction Act**

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply, because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 212**

Government procurement.

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■ Therefore, 48 CFR Part 212 is amended as follows:

■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 212 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR chapter 1.

**PART 212—ACQUISITION OF COMMERCIAL ITEMS****212.303 [Removed]**

■ 2. Section 212.303 is removed.

**212.503 [Amended]**

■ 3. Section 212.503 is amended in paragraph (c)(ii) by revising the parenthetical to read “(see FAR 15.403–1(b)(3))”.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****48 CFR Part 214**

[DFARS Case 2003–D076]

**Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Sealed Bidding**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to update text pertaining to sealed bidding. This rule is a result of a transformation initiative undertaken by DoD to dramatically change the purpose and content of the DFARS.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 10, 2004.

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