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### Part V

## Department of Defense

Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD)**

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#### Improving Government Regulations; Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD). **ACTION:** Semiannual regulatory agenda.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this semiannual agenda of regulatory documents, including those that are procurementrelated, for public information and comments under Executive Order 12866 "Regulatory Planning and Review." This agenda incorporates the objective and criteria, when applicable, of the regulatory reform program under the Executive order and other regulatory guidance. It contains DoD issuances initiated by DoD components that may have economic and environmental impact on State, local, or tribal interests under the criteria of Executive Order 12866. Although most DoD issuances listed in the agenda are of negligible public impact, their nature may be of public interest and, therefore, are published to provide notice of rulemaking and an opportunity for public participation in the internal DoD rulemaking process.

For this edition of the Department of Defense's regulatory agenda, the most important significant regulatory actions are included in The Regulatory Plan, which appears in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**. The Regulatory Plan entries are listed in the table of contents below and are denoted by a bracketed bold reference, which directs the reader to the appropriate sequence number in part II.

This agenda updates the report published on May 19, 2003, and includes regulations expected to be issued and under review over the next 12 months. The next agenda is scheduled to be published in the spring of 2004, with the next regulatory plan scheduled to be published in the fall of 2004. In addition to this agenda, DoD components also publish rulemaking notices pertaining to their specific

statutory administration requirements as required.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This edition of the Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions is composed of the regulatory status reports, including procurement-related regulatory status reports, from the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) and the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Included also is the regulatory status report from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, whose civil works functions fall under the reporting requirements of Executive Order 12866 and involve water resource projects and regulation of activities in waters of the United States.

DoD issuances range from DoD directives (reflecting departmental policy) to implementing instructions and regulations (largely internal and used to implement directives). The OSD agenda section contains the primary directives under which DoD components promulgate their implementing regulations.

To ease identification and to differentiate among the variety of issuances reported, they are identified by their DoD internal numbering system, which denotes component level of authority and type of issuance, in addition to the required CFR number.

In addition, this agenda, although published under the reporting requirements of Executive Order 12866, continues to be the DoD single-source reporting vehicle, which identifies issuances that are currently applicable under the various regulatory reform programs in progress. Therefore, DoD components will identify those rules which come under the criteria of the:

1. Regulatory Flexibility Act;

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- 2. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995;
- 3. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995.

Those DoD issuances, which are directly applicable under these statutes, will be identified in the agenda and their action status indicated. Generally, the regulatory status reports in this agenda will contain five sections: (1) Prerule stage; (2) proposed rule stage; (3) final rule stage; (4) completed actions; and (5) long-term actions. Where certain regulatory actions indicate that small entities are affected, the effect on these

entities may not necessarily have significant economic impact on a substantial number of these entities as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601(6)).

Although not a regulatory agency, DoD will continue to participate in regulatory initiatives designed to reduce economic costs and unnecessary environmental burdens upon the public. Comments and recommendations are invited on the rules reported and should be addressed to the DoD component representatives identified in the regulatory status reports. Although

sensitive to the needs of the public, as well as regulatory reform, DoD reserves the right to exercise the exemptions and flexibility permitted in its rulemaking process in order to proceed with its overall defense-oriented mission. The publishing of this agenda does not waive the applicability of the military affairs exemption in section 553 of title 5 U.S.C. and section 3 of Executive Order 12866.

Dated: September 25, 2003.

Howard G. Becker,

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779	Restoration Advisory Boards (RABs)	0790-AG31
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781	Personnel Security Policies for Granting Access to Classified Information	0790-AG54
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784	Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements With Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Nonprofit Organizations	0790–AG76
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789	National Security Agency/Central Security Service (NSA/CSS) Freedom of Information Act Program	0790-AG96
790	Transactions Other Than Contracts, Grants, or Cooperative Agreements for Prototype Projects	0790-AG97
791	Review of the Manual for Courts–Martial (DoD Directive 5500.17)	0790-AG99
792	Implementation of Section 740 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century and Section 1051 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003	0790-AH02

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793	Former Spouse Payments From Retired Pay; Amendment (DoD Directive 1340.16 and DoD 7000.14-R, Vol 7, Part B)	0790-AG22

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794	Closed, Transferred, and Transferring Ranges Containing Military Munitions	0790–AG46
795	Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Race, Color, National Origin, Handicap, and Age in Programs and Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance	0790–AG83
796	Stars and Stripes (S&S) Newspaper	0790-AG84
797	Department of Defense Newspapers, Magazines, and Civilian Enterprise Publications	0790-AG85
798	DoD Grant and Agreement Regulations	0790-AG87
799	Voluntary State Tax Withholding From Retired Pay	0790-AG93
800	Transactions Other Than Contracts, Grants, or Cooperative Agreements for Prototype Projects	0790-AH01

#### Defense Acquisition Regulations Council—Proposed Rule Stage

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801	Patent Rights-Ownership by the Contractor (Large Business) (DFARS Case 2001-D015)	0750-AD72
802	Fish, Shellfish, or Seafood Products (DFARS Case 2002–D034)	0750-AD91
803	Protests, Disputes, and Appeals (DFARS Case 2003–D010)	0750-AE01
804	Improper Business Practices, Organizational Conflicts of Interest, and Debarment (DFARS Case 2003-D012)	0750-AE02
805	Protection of Privacy and Freedom of Information (DFARS Case 2003–D038)	0750-AE03
806	Contractor Qualifications Relating to Contract Placement (DFARS Case 2003–D011)	0750-AE06
807	Government Source Inspection Requirements (DFARS Case 2002–D032)	0750-AE08
808	Cost Accounting Standards (DFARS Case 2003–D015)	0750-AE10
809	Geographic Use of the Term "United States" (DFARS Case 2001–D003)	0750-AE12
810	Laws Inapplicable to Commercial Subcontracts (DFARS Case 2003–D018)	0750-AE14
811	Berry Amendment—Exception for Fabrics and Fibers (DFARS Case 2003–D022)	0750-AE15

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812	Incremental Funding, Fixed-Price Contracts (DFARS Case 1990–037)	0750-AA07
813	Competition Requirements for Purchases From a Required Source (DFARS Case 2002–D003)	0750-AD57
814	Electronic Submission and Processing of Payment Requests (DFARS Case 2002–D001)	0750-AD70
815	Codification and Modification of Berry Amendment (DFARS Case 2002–D002)	0750-AD76
816	Indian Incentive Clause—Contract Types (DFARS Case 2002–D013)	0750-AD78
817	Approval of Service Contracts and Task Orders (DFARS Case 2002–D024)	0750-AD81
818	Provisional Award Fee Payments (DFARS Case 2001–D013)	0750-AD83
819	Payment Withholding (DFARS Case 2002–D017)	0750-AD85
820	Information Assurance (DFARS Case 2002–D020)	0750-AD86
821	Purchase Card Internal Controls (DFARS Case 2002–D025)	0750-AD87
822	Follow-On Production Contracts for Products Developed Pursuant to Prototype Projects (DFARS Case 2002–D023)	0750–AD88
823	Indian Incentive Program-Commercial Items (DFARS Case 2002-D033)	0750-AD97
824	Multiyear Procurement Authority for Environmental Services for Military Installations (DFARS Case 2003–D004)	0750-AD99
825	DoD Activity Address Codes in Contract Numbers (DFARS Case 2003–D005)	0750-AE00
826	Buy-to-Budget Acquisition of End Items (DFARS Case 2002–D036)	0750-AE04
827	Multiyear Contracting Authority Revisions (DFARS Case 2002–D041)	0750-AE05
828	Production Surveillance and Reporting (DFARS Case 2002–D015)	0750-AE07
829	Unique Item Identification and Property Valuation (DFARS Case 2003–D081)	0750-AE09
830	Central Contractor Registration (DFARS Case 2003–D040)	0750-AE11

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851	Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment Rule	0710-AA54

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852	Regulatory Programs of the Corps of Engineers, Endangered Species Act; Scope of Analysis	0710-AA43

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Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
853 854	Cost-Sharing Requirements Under the Ability To Pay Provisions	0710-AA44 0710-AA53
	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Completed Actions	
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855 856	Regulatory Programs of the Corps of Engineers	0710-AA30 0710-AA38
	Department of the Navy—Final Rule Stage	
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857	Policies and Responsibilities for Implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act Within the Department of the Navy	0703-AA51
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858	Shipbuilding Capability Preservation Agreements	0703-AA50
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859	Use of Department of the Navy Aviation Facilities by Other Than United States Department of Defense Aircraft	0703-AA48
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860	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Hospital Payment for Ambulatory Care	0720-AA20
861	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Exception to the CHAMPUS Dual Compensation/Conflict of Interest Provisions	0720-AA20
862	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Prosthetic Devices	0720-AA49
863 864	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Double Coverage	0720-AA50
865	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Establishment of an Appeals Process for TRICARE Claimcheck Denials	
000	Sponsored Clinical Trials	0720-AA57
866 867	CHAMPUS/TRICARE; Implementation of the Pharmacy Benefits Program	0720-AA63 0720-AA65
868	TRICARE; Prime Remote for Active Duty Family Members	0720-AA68
869	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Voluntary Disenrollment From the	

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#### Office of Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs—Final Rule Stage (Continued)

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
870	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS): Enuretic Devices, Breast Recon-	
	structive Surgery, PFPWD Valid Authorization Period, Early Intervention Services	0720-AA70
871	TRICARE; Waiver of Certain TRICARE Deductibles; Clarification of the TRICARE Prime Enrollment Period	0720-AA72
872	TRICARE; Sub-Acute Care Program; Uniform Skilled Nursing Facility Benefit; Home Health Care Benefit; Adopting	
	Medicare Payment Methods for Skilled Nursing Facilities and Home Health Care Providers	0720-AA73
873	TRICARE; CHAMPUS; Appeals and Hearings Procedures, Formal Review	0720-AA74
874	TRICARE Program; Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children Overseas	0720-AA75
875	TRICARE Program; Inclusion of Anesthesiologist's Assistants as Authorized Providers; Coverage of Cardiac Reha-	
	bilitation in Freestanding Cardiac Rehabilitation Facilities	0720-AA76
876	TRICARE; Changes Included in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (NDAA-02) and a	
	Technical Correction Included in the NDAA-03	0720-AA77
877	TRICARE: Individual Case Management: Program for Persons With Disabilities: Extended Benefits for Disabled	
	Family Members of Active Duty Service Members: Custodial Care	0720-AA78
878	TRICARE; Elimination of Nonavailability Statement and Referral Authorization Requirements and Elimination of	
	Specialized Treatment Services Program	0720-AA79
879	TRICARE; Changes Included in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003 (NDAA-03)	0720-AA85

#### Office of Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs—Completed Actions

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
880	TRICARE; Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Eligibility and Payment Procedures for CHAMPUS Beneficiaries Age 65 and Over	0720-AA66
881	TRICARE; Coordination of Benefits Between TRICARE and the Department of Veterans Affairs	0720-AA86

## Department of Defense (DOD) Office of the Secretary (OS)

#### **Proposed Rule Stage**

## 774. DEVELOPMENT OF A MUNITIONS RESPONSE SITE PRIORITIZATION PROTOCOL

Priority: Other Significant Legal Authority: 10 USC 2710 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 179 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** In response to section 311 of the Fiscal Year 2002 National Defense Authorization Act, the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations & Environment), U.S. Department of Defense (DoD), proposes to develop a site prioritization protocol for assigning to each defense site (hereinafter, munitions response site) a relative priority for response activities related to unexploded ordnance, discarded military munitions, and munitions constituents. Section 311 lists specific factors to be included in the protocol. DoD is requesting input from interested parties on: (a) These factors; (b) any additional factors to

consider in developing a site prioritization protocol; (c) how the proposed protocol should incorporate such factors as they relate to safety and environmental hazards; and (d) recommendations on any existing prioritization methods, models, or tools that should be evaluated.

#### Timetable:

Date	FR Cite
03/20/02	67 FR 12937
05/20/02	
08/22/03	68 FR 50900
11/20/03	
11/00/03	
01/00/04	
	03/20/02 05/20/02 08/22/03 11/20/03

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected:

Undetermined

Federalism: Undetermined

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Phone: 703 695–6107 **RIN:** 0790–AG94

## 775. DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) PROGRAM

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 552 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 289 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule implements the Freedom of Information Act, as amended. It assigns responsibility for responding to written requests made pursuant to the Act and provides for the review required to determine the appropriateness of classification.

#### DOD-OS Proposed Rule Stage

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	
NPRM Comment Period End	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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#### 776. • PROVISION OF EARLY INTERVENTION AND SPECIAL **EDUCATION SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE** DOD DEPENDENTS

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

undetermined.

Legal Authority: 10 USC 301 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 57 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule implements the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, as amended in 1997. The rule integrates into one policy both CFR part 57 (which concerned provision of early intervention and special education to

eligible DoD dependents in overseas areas) and CFR part 80 (which concerned provision of early intervention and special education services in domestic Department of Defense schools).

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	
NPRM Comment Period End	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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777. • CRIMINAL JURISDICTION OVER **CIVILIANS EMPLOYED BY OR** ACCOMPANYING THE ARMED FORCES OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES, SERVICE MEMBERS, AND FORMER SERVICE MEMBERS

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

undetermined.

Legal Authority: 18 USC 3261

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 153 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule establishes policies and procedures, and assigns responsibilities, under the Military Extraterritorial Jurisdiction Act (MEJA), for exercising extraterritorial criminal jurisdiction over certain military personnel, former service members of the United States Armed Forces, and over civilians employed by or accompanying the Armed Forces outside the United States (as specifically defined in section 3267 of MEJA).

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/03	
NPRM Comment	01/00/04	
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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No **Government Levels Affected:** 

Undetermined

Federalism: Undetermined

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#### Department of Defense (DOD) Office of the Secretary (OS)

Final Rule Stage

#### 778. NATIONAL SECURITY **EDUCATION PROGRAM (NSEP) GRANTS TO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION (DOD INSTRUCTION 1025.5)**

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 20 USC 1141(a)

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 206

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, April

5, 1994, Final.

**Abstract:** The National Security Education Act provided for the National Security Education Program, the National Security Education Board, and a trust fund in the U.S. Treasury to provide all resources for the program. Under the Act, the Secretary is directed to carry out a program to award undergraduate scholarships,

graduate fellowships, and grants to institutions of higher education. This rule is to inform those concerned with institutional grants to be offered under the 1994-1995 pilot grants program of the preliminary guidelines.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	05/05/94	59 FR 26116
Interim Final Rule	05/19/94	59 FR 26116
Interim Final Rule	07/18/94	
Comment Period		
End		
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Organizations

Government Levels Affected: None

Federalism: Undetermined

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RIN: 0790-AF59

#### 779. RESTORATION ADVISORY **BOARDS (RABS)**

**Priority:** Other Significant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 551 et seq; 10

USC 2705

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 202

DOD-OS Final Rule Stage

Legal Deadline: NPRM, Statutory, September 15, 1996, NPRM.

Abstract: In accordance with the National Defense Authorization Acts for 1995 and 1996, the Department has prepared this rule for Restoration Advisory Boards (RABs). DoD has established RABs at over 200 installations and formerly used Defense sites that have environmental restoration programs for cleanup of contaminated sites. The purpose of the RAB is to facilitate public participation in restoration activities at operating and closing installations. The proposed rule is based on DoD's current policies for RABs, as well as DoD's experience in establishing and operating RABs over the past 2 years.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/06/96	61 FR 40764
NPRM Comment Period End	11/04/96	61 FR 40765
NPRM Extension of Comment Period	11/19/96	61 FR 58803
NPRM Comment Period End	01/20/97	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

Federalism: Undetermined

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#### 780. SETTLING PERSONNEL AND **GENERAL CLAIMS AND PROCESSING** ADVANCE DECISION REQUESTS

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 10 USC 2575; 10 USC 2771; 10 USC 4712; 10 USC 9712; 24 USC 420; 31 USC 3529; 31 USC 3702; 32 USC 714; 37 USC 554; ...

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 281 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule proposes policy and assigns responsibilities for settling personnel and general claims and for processing requests for an advance decision. The Legislative Branch

Appropriations Act of 1996 transferred to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the Comptroller General's authority to settle claims. The OMB Director subsequently delegated some of these authorities to the Department of Defense (DoD). Later, the General Accounting Office Act of 1996 codified many of these delegations to the Secretary of Defense and others and transferred to the OMB Director the authority of the Comptroller General to waive uniformed service member and employee debts arising out of the erroneous payment of pay or allowances exceeding \$1,500. The OMB Director subsequently delegated the authority to waive such debts of uniformed service members and DoD employees to the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of Defense further delegated his claims settlement and waiver authorities to the General Counsel. This rule implements the reassignment of the Comptroller General's former duties within the Department of Defense with little impact on the public.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/14/02	67 FR 68956
NPRM Comment Period End	01/13/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

#### **Regulatory Flexibility Analysis**

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

Additional Information: Pending analysis of public comments and issuance of final regulations, DOHA intends to use the procedures and practices applicable to claims and waiver applications before the effective dates of the transfers of authority, June 30, 1996, and December 18, 1996, respectively, which are published in title 4, Code of Federal Regulations, chapter 1, subchapters C and G. See also 61 FR 50285, September 25, 1996; and 62 FR 5387, February 5, 1997.

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RIN: 0790-AG47

#### 781. PERSONNEL SECURITY **POLICIES FOR GRANTING ACCESS** TO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: EO 12968 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 147 **Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** This rule is published to streamline security practices throughout the Government. Uniform adjudicative guidelines, investigative standards, and guidelines for temporary access are being established. This initiative will simplify security processing and allow the deserving public to obtain a security clearance in a faster, more efficient manner.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	01/30/98	63 FR 4572
Interim Final Rule Effective	03/24/98	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	03/31/98	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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Phone: 703 602-9969 **RIN:** 0790–AG54

#### 782. NATIONAL POLICY ON RECIPROCITY OF FACILITIES AND **GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION** OF RECIPROCITY

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: EO 12968 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 148 **Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** This rule is published to make physical facilities available for reciprocal use in the storage of classified information. Once a facility has been certified as suitable for classified use by one organization, it may also be used by another for like purposes.

DOD-OS Final Rule Stage

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/16/97	63 FR 4580
Interim Final Rule	01/30/98	63 FR 4580
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	03/31/98	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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#### 783. NATIONAL POLICY ON **TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE COUNTERMEASURES**

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: EO 12968 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 149 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule is published to limit the use of technical surveillance countermeasures within the boundaries of the U.S. to cases where there is a reasonable showing of threat.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/16/97	63 FR 4582
Interim Final Rule	01/30/98	63 FR 4582
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	03/31/98	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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RIN: 0790-AG56

784. UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANTS AND **AGREEMENTS WITH INSTITUTIONS** OF HIGHER EDUCATION, HOSPITALS, AND OTHER NONPROFIT **ORGANIZATIONS** 

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 5 USC 301; 10 USC 113

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 22; 32 CFR 32

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking is the Department of Defense portion of a multipleh; agency action. The agencies are amending their rules implementing Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-110 "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements With Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-Profit Organizations." The amendments to the rules incorporate updated language in Circular A-110 requiring Federal awarding agencies to ensure that all data produced under awards subject to the Circular are made available to the public through the procedures established under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). OMB updated the Circular language in this way in October 1999, in response to a provision in Public Law 105–277. With this rule amendment to 32 CFR parts 22 and 32, the Department of Defense therefore will maintain policies on access to data produced under awards subject to Circular A-110 that are consistent with the policies of other executive departments and agencies.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	03/16/00	65 FR 14405
Interim Final Rule Effective	04/17/00	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	05/15/00	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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RIN: 0790-AG76

#### 785. GOVERNMENTWIDE **DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION** (NONPROCUREMENT) AND **GOVERNMENTWIDE REQUIREMENTS** FOR DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTS)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: EO 12549; EO 12689;

PL 103-355

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 25; 32 CFR 26

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The Department of Defense (DoD) proposes to adopt two updated common rules, on nonprocurement debarment and suspension and on drug-free workplace requirements for grants and agreements. In adopting these rules, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Military Departments, Defense Agencies, and DoD Field Activities will maintain uniform policies and procedures that are consistent with those of other executive departments and agencies.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/23/02	67 FR 3265
NPRM Comment Period End	03/25/02	67 FR 3267
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No **Government Levels Affected: None** 

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**RIN:** 0790–AG86

#### 786. PROCEDURES FOR SETTLING PERSONNEL AND GENERAL CLAIMS AND PROCESSING ADVANCE **DECISION REQUESTS**

**Priority:** Other Significant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 552a; 10 USC 2575; 10 USC 2771; 10 USC 4712; 10 USC 9712; 24 USC 420; 31 USC 3529; 31 USC 3702; 32 USC 714; 37 USC 554;

DOD-OS Final Rule Stage

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 282 **Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** This rule proposes policy and prescribes procedures for processing and settling personnel and general claims and for processing requests for an advance decision. The Legislative Branch Appropriations Act of 1996 transferred to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the Comptroller General's authority to settle claims. The OMB Director subsequently delegated some of these authorities to the Department of Defense (DoD). Later, the General Accounting Office Act of 1996 codified many of these delegations to the Secretary of Defense and others and transferred to the OMB Director the authority of the Comptroller General to waive uniformed service member and employee debts arising out of the erroneous payment of pay or allowances exceeding \$1,500. The OMB Director subsequently delegated the authority to waive such debts of uniformed service members and DoD employees to the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of Defense further delegated his claims settlement and waiver authorities to the General Counsel. This rule implements the reassignments of the Comptroller General's former duties within the Department of Defense with little impact on the public.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/14/02	67 FR 68957
NPRM Comment Period End	01/13/03	67 FR 68958
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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RIN: 0790-AG89

#### 787. WAIVER OF DEBTS RESULTING FROM ERRONEOUS PAYMENTS OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES (DOD **DIRECTIVE 1340.21)**

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 5584; 10 USC

2774; 32 USC 716

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 283 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule proposes policy and assigns responsibilities for considering applications for the waiver of debts resulting from erroneous payments of pay and allowances (including travel and transportation allowances) to or on behalf of members of the Uniformed Services and civilian DoD employees. The Legislative Branch Appropriations Act of 1996 transferred to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the Comptroller General's authority to settle claims. The OMB Director subsequently delegated some of these authorities to the Department of Defense (DoD). Later, the General Accounting Office Act of 1996 codified many of these delegations to the Secretary of Defense and others and transferred to the OMB Director the authority of the Comptroller General to waive uniformed service member and employee debts arising out of the erroneous payment of pay or allowances exceeding \$1,500. The OMB Director subsequently delegated the authority to waive such debts of uniformed service members and DoD employees to the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of Defense further delegated his claims settlement and waiver authorities to the General Counsel. This rule implements the reassignment of the Comptroller General's former duties within the Department of Defense with little impact on the public.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/14/02	67 FR 68963
NPRM Comment Period End	01/13/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	
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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No **Government Levels Affected: None** Agency Contact: Michael Hipple, Department of Defense, Office of the

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788. WAIVER PROCEDURES FOR DEBTS RESULTING FROM **ERRONEOUS PAYMENTS OF PAY** AND ALLOWANCES (DOD **INSTRUCTION 1340.23)** 

**Priority:** Other Significant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 552a; 5 USC 2104; 5 USC 2105; 5 USC 5584; 10 USC 2774; 32 USC 716; ...

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 284 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule proposes policy and prescribes procedures for considering waiver applications. The Legislative Branch Appropriations Act of 1996 transferred to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the Comptroller General's authority to settle claims. The OMB Director subsequently delegated some of these authorities to the Department of Defense (DoD). Later, the General Accounting Office Act of 1996 codified many of these delegations to the Secretary of Defense and others and transferred to the OMB Director the authority of the Comptroller General to waive uniformed service member and employee debts arising out of the erroneous payment of pay or allowances exceeding \$1,500. The OMB Director subsequently delegated the authority to waive such debts of uniformed service members and DoD employees to the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of Defense further delegated his claims settlement and waiver authorities to the General Counsel. This rule implements the reassignment of the Comptroller General's former duties within the Department of Defense with little impact on the public.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/14/02	67 FR 68965
NPRM Comment Period End	01/13/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

DOD—OS Final Rule Stage

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## 789. NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY/CENTRAL SECURITY SERVICE (NSA/CSS) FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PROGRAM

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 552 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 299 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule implements the Freedom of Information Act, as amended. It assigns responsibility for responding to written requests made pursuant to the Act and provides for the review required to determine the appropriateness of classification.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	08/05/02	
Interim Final Rule	05/23/03	68 FR 28132
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	07/22/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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## 790. TRANSACTIONS OTHER THAN CONTRACTS, GRANTS, OR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS FOR PROTOTYPE PROJECTS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: PL 103–160 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 3 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule implements section

822 of the National Defense

Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002,

Public Law 107–107. Section 822 provides for award of a follow-on production contract to traditional Defense contractors, without further competition, when the Other Transaction agreement for the prototype project provided for at least one-third non-Federal cost-share, consistent with law, and the Other Transaction agreement for the prototype project satisfies certain additional conditions of law

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/20/03	68 FR 27497
NPRM Comment Period End	07/21/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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## 791. REVIEW OF THE MANUAL FOR COURTS-MARTIAL (DOD DIRECTIVE 5500.17)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** EO 12473; 10 USC 47

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 152 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The Department of Defense promulgates procedures implementing Executive Order 12473, dated July 13, 1984, calling upon the Secretary of Defense to cause an annual review of the Manual for Courts-Martial (MCM) and to recommend to the President any appropriate amendments. Through the annual review process, the Secretary of Defense assists the President in fulfilling his rulemaking responsibilities under article 36 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ; chapter 47 of title 10, United States Code). Under the direction of the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, a Joint Service Committee on Military Justice (JSC) is established with responsibility to conduct the annual review and propose MCM

amendments. The JSC also proposes amendments to the UCMJ, as necessary.

This rule updates part 152 to title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, "Review of the Manual for Courts-Martial," to reflect practice and procedures for conducting annual reviews and to change the annual review cycle from concluding with an annual report due to the General Counsel by December 31, instead of May 1. The change in the annual review cycle is due to legislative requirements on affecting JSC responsibilities. This interim rule is provided to afford a 60-day opportunity for public comment prior to issuing a final rule. This rule is intended only to improve the internal management of the Federal Government. It is not intended to create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by any party against the United States, its agencies, its officers, or any person.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	05/03/03	68 FR 36915
Interim Final Rule	06/20/03	68 FR 36915
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	08/19/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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# 792. IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 740 OF THE WENDELL H. FORD AVIATION INVESTMENT AND REFORM ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY AND SECTION 1051 OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** PL 106–181; PL

107-314

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 207 **Legal Deadline:** None

#### DOD—OS Final Rule Stage

Abstract: This rule prescribes regulations to implement section 740 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (Pub. L. 106–181) and section 1051 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003 (Pub. L. 107–314). The regulations will establish procedures for the sale of excess Department of Defense aircraft to persons or entities that provide oil spill response services (including the application of oil dispersants by air) pursuant to an oil spill response plan

that has been approved by the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating.

#### Timetable:

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	05/22/03	68 FR 27904
Interim Final Rule Effective	05/22/03	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	07/21/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

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Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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## Department of Defense (DOD) Office of the Secretary (OS)

**Long-Term Actions** 

793. FORMER SPOUSE PAYMENTS FROM RETIRED PAY; AMENDMENT (DOD DIRECTIVE 1340.16 AND DOD 7000.14-R, VOL 7, PART B)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 63

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Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/06/95	60 FR 17507
NPRM Comment Period End	06/06/95	
Final Action	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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**RIN:** 0790–AG22

## Department of Defense (DOD) Office of the Secretary (OS)

Completed Actions

## 794. CLOSED, TRANSFERRED, AND TRANSFERRING RANGES CONTAINING MILITARY MUNITIONS

Priority: Other Significant

**Legal Authority:** 10 USC 172 et seq; 10 USC 2701 et seq; 42 USC 9601 et

seq; EO 12580

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 178 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The proposal for this Department of Defense (DoD) rule addresses the unique explosives safety considerations associated with military munitions (including UXO) and the need for environmental protection, and it does so under DERP, 10 U.S.C. 172 et seq., and CERCLA authorities.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/26/97	62 FR 50796
Public Meetings Begin	10/22/97	
Public Meetings End	12/10/97	
NPRM Comment Period End	12/26/97	
Withdrawn	09/05/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

## Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected:

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**RIN:** 0790–AG46

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

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 794; 42 USC 2000d to 2000d–7; 42 USC 6101 to 6107: EO 12250

6107; EO 12250

**CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The Department of Defense proposes to make amendments to its regulations implementing title VI of the

Civil Rights Act of 1964 (title VI), section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1972 (section 504), and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (Age Discrimination Act). Together, these statutes prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, and age in programs or activities that receive Federal financial assistance. In 1988, the Civil Rights Restoration Act (CRRA) added definitions of "program or activity" and "program" to title VI and added a definition of "program or activity" to section 504 and the Age Discrimination Act. The added definitions were designed to clarify the broad scope of coverage of recipients' programs or activities under these statutes. The promulgation of this proposed regulation explicitly incorporates the CRRA's definition of "program or activity" and "program" into the Department of Defense's title VI, section 504, and Age Discrimination Act regulations. The Department of Defense's proposed regulation will be published as part of a joint notice of proposed rulemaking involving up to 24 Federal agencies.

Timetable:

#### DOD—OS Completed Actions

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Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/06/00	65 FR 76460
NPRM Comment Period End	01/05/01	
Final Action	08/26/03	68 FR 51334

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Final Action Effective 09/25/03

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: Federal

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#### 796. STARS AND STRIPES (S&S) NEWSPAPER

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 113 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 246 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule establishes policies and assigns responsibilities for the Stars and Stripes (S&S) newspaper operations. It designates the Secretary of the Army as the DoD Executive Agent for nonappropriated fund support to S&S and designates the successor-in-interest to S&S.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	09/05/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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Phone: 703 428–0629 **RIN:** 0790–AG84

#### 797. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, AND CIVILIAN ENTERPRISE PUBLICATIONS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 113 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 247

#### Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule establishes policy, assigns responsibilities, and prescribes procedures concerning authorized DoD Appropriated Funded (APF) newspapers and magazines and Civilian Enterprise (CE) newspapers, magazines, guides, and installation maps (hereafter referred to as DoD publications) in support of the DoD Internal Information Program.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	09/05/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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## 798. DOD GRANT AND AGREEMENT REGULATIONS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 10 USC

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 21; 32 CFR 22; 32 CFR 32; 32 CFR 34; 32 CFR 37

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Department of Defense (DoD) is adding a new part 37 to the DoD Grant and Agreement Regulations (DoDGARs) to incorporate policies and procedures for the award and administration of Technology Investment Agreements (TIAs). TIAs are a relatively new class of assistance instruments. DoD components use TIAs to support or stimulate defense research projects involving for-profit firms, especially commercial firms that do business primarily in the commercial marketplace. The new part 37 therefore gives DoD agreements officers greater flexibility to negotiate award provisions in areas that can present barriers to those commercial firms (e.g., intellectual property, audits, and cost principles). This rule also provides revisions to parts 21, 22, 32, and 34 of the DoDGARs to conform the rest of the DoDGARs with the new part 37.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/30/02	67 FR 21486
NPRM Comment Period End	07/01/02	
Final Action	08/07/03	68 FR 47150
Final Action Effective	09/08/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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**RIN:** 0790–AG87

### 799. VOLUNTARY STATE TAX WITHHOLDING FROM RETIRED PAY

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 1045 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 78 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule amends 32 CFR part 78, Voluntary State Tax Withholding From Retired Pay, to comply with the Treasury Financial Manual, Volume 1, section 5060f.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	06/20/03	68 FR 36914

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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Phone: 703 604–6350 **RIN:** 0790–AG93

## 800. TRANSACTIONS OTHER THAN CONTRACTS, GRANTS, OR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS FOR PROTOTYPE PROJECTS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: PL 103–160 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 3 Legal Deadline: None

#### DOD—OS Completed Actions

**Abstract:** This final rule establishes the Department's audit policy for prototype projects that use "other transaction" authority. Representatives of the military departments, Defense agencies, and other DoD activities have agreed on a final rule that amends the proposed rule as a result of comments received.

Section 845 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1994, Public Law 103–160, as amended, authorizes the Secretary of a Military Department, the Director of Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, and any other official designated by the Secretary of Defense, to enter into transactions other than contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements in certain situations for prototype projects that are directly relevant to weapons or weapon systems proposed to be acquired or developed by the Department of Defense. Such transactions are commonly referred to as "other transaction" agreements for prototype projects. To the extent that a particular statute or regulation is limited in its applicability to the use of a procurement contract, it would generally not apply to "other transactions" for prototype projects.

Part 3 to 32 CFR was established to codify policy pertaining to prototype "other transactions" that have a significant impact on the public and are subject to rulemaking. Additional guidance on prototype "other transactions" directed at Government officials can be found at the Defense Procurement web site at: http://www.osd.dp.mil

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/21/01	66 FR 58422
NPRM Comment	01/22/02	
Period End		
Public Meeting	03/27/02	67 FR 9632
Final Action	05/20/03	68 FR 27452
Final Action Effective	06/19/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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**RIN:** 0790–AH01

## Department of Defense (DOD)

#### Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (DARC)

#### 801. PATENT RIGHTS-OWNERSHIP BY THE CONTRACTOR (LARGE BUSINESS) (DFARS CASE 2001-D015)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 227.3; 48 CFR

252.227

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to add a contract clause on patent rights to replace a FAR clause that has been proposed for deletion.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	10/09/01	
NPRM	12/00/03	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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RIN: 0750-AD72

## 802. FISH, SHELLFISH, OR SEAFOOD PRODUCTS (DFARS CASE 2002-D034)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: PL 107–248, sec 8136 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 225.7002–2; 48

CFR 252.212-7001; 48 CFR 252.225-7012

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 8136 of the Fiscal Year 2003 Defense Appropriations Act. Section 8136 requires the acquisition of domestic fish, shellfish, and seafood.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	10/28/02	
Interim Final Rule	02/14/03	68 FR 7441
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/15/03	
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses Government Levels Affected: Federal

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## 803. ● PROTESTS, DISPUTES, AND APPEALS (DFARS CASE 2003-D010)

**Proposed Rule Stage** 

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 233 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends part 233 of the Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) to implement proposals resulting from the DFARS Transformation Initiative that pertain to protests, disputes, and appeals.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/16/03	
NPRM	11/00/03	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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## 804. ● IMPROPER BUSINESS PRACTICES, ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, AND DEBARMENT (DFARS CASE 2003–D012)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 203; 48 CFR 209

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends parts 203 and 209 of the Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) to implement proposals resulting from the DFARS
Transformation Initiative that pertain to

improper business practices,

organizational conflicts of interest, and debarment.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/16/03	
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: Federal** 

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## 805. ● PROTECTION OF PRIVACY AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (DFARS CASE 2003-D038)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 224 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends part 224 of the Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) to implement proposals resulting from the DFARS Transformation Initiative that pertain to protection of privacy and freedom of information.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	07/28/03	
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Nequired. NO

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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RIN: 0750-AE03

## 806. ● CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS RELATING TO CONTRACT PLACEMENT (DFARS CASE 2003-D011)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 209; 48 CFR

252.209

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends part 209 of the Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) to implement proposals resulting from the DFARS Transformation Initiative that relate to contractor qualification requirements and contract placement.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/16/03	
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: Federal** 

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RIN: 0750-AE06

## 807. ● GOVERNMENT SOURCE INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS (DFARS CASE 2002-D032)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 246.4 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to limit Government source inspection requirements for contracts below \$250,000. This change will permit contract administration offices to devote more resources to high-risk contracts.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	10/25/02	
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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**RIN:** 0750–AE08

#### 808. ● COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (DFARS CASE 2003-D015)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 230 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends part 230 of the Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) to implement noncomplex proposals resulting from the DFARS

Transformation Initiative that pertain to Cost Accounting Standards.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	07/01/03	
NPRM	11/00/03	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

#### DOD-DARC Proposed Rule Stage

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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RIN: 0750-AE10

#### 809. ● GEOGRAPHIC USE OF THE **TERM "UNITED STATES" (DFARS** CASE 2001-D003)

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

undetermined.

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 204; 48 CFR 208; 48 CFR 209; 48 CFR 212; 48 CFR 213; 48 CFR 215; 48 CFR 219; 48 CFR 252;

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to standardize the use of geographic terms, in accordance with definitions found in the FAR.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	02/13/01	
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No.

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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**RIN:** 0750-AE12

#### 810. ● LAWS INAPPLICABLE TO COMMERCIAL SUBCONTRACTS (DFARS CASE 2003-D018)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 **CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 212.504

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) to remove the Buy American Act and the Trade Agreements Act from the list of laws inapplicable to commercial

subcontracts. This change implements a proposal resulting from the DFARS

Transformation Initiative.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	07/02/03	
NPRM	11/00/03	
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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No.

**Government Levels Affected: Federal** 

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#### 811. ● BERRY **AMENDMENT-EXCEPTION FOR FABRICS AND FIBERS (DFARS CASE** 2003-D022)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 225

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) to clarify the exception to the Berry Amendment that permits the acquisition of small amounts of cotton, other natural fibers, and wool from foreign sources and expands the exception to apply to all fabrics and fibers. This change implements a proposal resulting from the DFARS Transformation Initiative.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	07/02/03	
NPRM	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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#### Department of Defense (DOD)

#### **Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (DARC)**

#### 812. INCREMENTAL FUNDING, FIXED-PRICE CONTRACTS (DFARS CASE 1990-037)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 232.7; 48 CFR

252,232

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to permit the use of

incremental funding of fixed-price contracts in certain situations.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	09/26/90	
Interim Final Rule	09/01/93	58 FR 46091
Final Action	12/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses

Final Rule Stage

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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#### 813. COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS FOR PURCHASES FROM A REQUIRED SOURCE (DFARS CASE 2002–D003)

**Priority:** Other Significant

Legal Authority: PL 107-107, sec 811;

PL 107-314, sec 819

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 208.6; 48 CFR 210.0; 48 CFR 219.5; 48 CFR 252.219

**Legal Deadline:** NPRM, Statutory,

March 2, 2003, NPRM.

Final, Statutory, May 31, 2003, Final. The legal deadlines described above are imposed by section 819 of Public Law 107–314.

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 811 of the Fiscal Year 2002 National Defense Authorization Act and section 819 of the Fiscal Year 2003 National Defense Authorization Act. These laws require DoD to conduct market research before purchasing a product from Federal Prison Industries (FPI) to determine whether the FPI product is comparable in price, quality, and time of delivery to products available from the private sector.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	01/08/02	
Interim Final Rule	04/26/02	67 FR 20687
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	06/25/02	
NPRM	05/15/03	68 FR 26265
NPRM Comment Period End	07/14/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses Government Levels Affected: Federal

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## 814. ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION AND PROCESSING OF PAYMENT REQUESTS (DFARS CASE 2002-D001)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** PL 106–398, sec 1008

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 232.70; 48 CFR 252.212–7001; 48 CFR 252.232–7003; 48 CFR 252.246–7000

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory,

October 1, 2002, Final.

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 1008 of the Fiscal Year 2001 National Defense Authorization Act, which requires that any claim for payment be submitted and processed electronically.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	01/09/02	
NPRM	05/31/02	67 FR 38057
NPRM Comment Period End	07/30/02	
Interim Final Rule	02/21/03	68 FR 8450
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/22/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: Federal

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RIN: 0750-AD70

## 815. CODIFICATION AND MODIFICATION OF BERRY AMENDMENT (DFARS CASE 2002–D002)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** PL 107–107, sec 832 **CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 225.7002; 48 CFR 252.212–7001; 48 CFR 252.225–7012

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 832 of the Fiscal Year 2002 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 832 codifies and makes minor modifications to the provision of law known as the Berry Amendment, which requires the acquisition of certain items from domestic sources.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	01/08/02	

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Interim Final Rule Comment Period	04/26/02 06/25/02	67 FR 20697
End Final Action	12/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: Federal

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**RIN:** 0750-AD76

#### 816. INDIAN INCENTIVE CLAUSE-CONTRACT TYPES (DFARS CASE 2002-D013)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 252.226-7001

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to clarify that the clause permitting incentive payments for use of Indian organizations as

subcontractors can be applied to all

contract types.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/11/02	
NPRM	11/22/02	67 FR 70389
NPRM Comment Period End	01/21/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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#### 817. APPROVAL OF SERVICE CONTRACTS AND TASK ORDERS (DFARS CASE 2002-D024)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** PL 107–107, sec

801(b)

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 237.170

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 801(b) of the Fiscal Year 2002 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 801(b) requires DoD to establish and implement a management structure for the procurement of services.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	08/02/02	
Interim Final Rule	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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RIN: 0750-AD81

## 818. PROVISIONAL AWARD FEE PAYMENTS (DFARS CASE 2001-D013)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 216.405-2

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to address the use of provisional award fee payments under cost–plus–award–fee contracts.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	08/29/01	
NPRM	11/22/02	67 FR 70388
NPRM Comment Period End	01/21/03	
Final Rule	11/00/03	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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**RIN:** 0750-AD83

## 819. PAYMENT WITHHOLDING (DFARS CASE 2002–D017)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 232.111; 48 CFR

252.232

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to remove the requirement for a contracting officer to routinely withhold 5 percent of payments due under a time-and-materials or laborhour contract.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/18/02	
NPRM	02/28/03	68 FR 9627
NPRM Comment Period End	04/29/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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**RIN:** 0750-AD85

### 820. INFORMATION ASSURANCE (DFARS CASE 2002–D020)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 239.71; 48 CFR

252.239-7000

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to address requirements for

information assurance in the

acquisition of information technology.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/25/02	
NPRM	05/23/03	68 FR 28187
NPRM Comment Period End	07/22/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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**RIN:** 0750–AD86

### 821. PURCHASE CARD INTERNAL CONTROLS (DFARS CASE 2002-D025)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 213.3 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to add policy on internal

controls for proper use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase

card.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	08/02/02	
NPRM	12/20/02	67 FR 77955
NPRM Comment Period End	02/18/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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#### 822. FOLLOW-ON PRODUCTION **CONTRACTS FOR PRODUCTS DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO** PROTOTYPE PROJECTS (DFARS CASE 2002-D023)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: PL 107-107, sec 822 **CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 206.001

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 822 of the Fiscal Year 2002 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 822 provides for award of a follow-on production contract, without competition, to participants in an "other transaction" agreement for a prototype project under certain conditions.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	07/24/02	
NPRM	06/03/03	68 FR 33057
NPRM Comment	08/04/03	
Period End		
Final Action	11/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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#### 823. INDIAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM-COMMERCIAL ITEMS (DFARS CASE 2002-D033)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 107–248, sec 8021 **CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 226.1; 48 CFR 252.212-7001; 48 CFR 252.226-7001

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 8021 of the Fiscal Year 2003 Defense Appropriations Act. Section 8021 revises the criteria for application of the Indian Incentive Program to DoD contracts.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	10/25/02	
Interim Final Rule	11/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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#### 824. ● MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT **AUTHORITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL** SERVICES FOR MILITARY **INSTALLATIONS (DFARS CASE** 2003-D004)

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

Legal Authority: PL 107-314, sec 827

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 217.1 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 827 of the Fiscal Year 2003 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 827 provides authority for DoD to enter into multiyear contracts for environmental remediation services for military installations.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	03/31/03	
Interim Final Rule	07/22/03	68 FR 43332
Interim Final Rule Comment Period Fnd	09/22/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No. Government Levels Affected: Federal

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#### 825. ● DOD ACTIVITY ADDRESS **CODES IN CONTRACT NUMBERS** (DFARS CASE 2003-D005)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 204.70

**Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to prescribe use of DoD activity address codes in the first six positions of solicitation and contract numbers. This change will provide consistency in the method of identifying DoD activities.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	04/15/03	
NPRM	06/11/03	68 FR 34879
NPRM Comment Period End	08/11/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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#### 826. ● BUY-TO-BUDGET **ACQUISITION OF END ITEMS (DFARS** CASE 2002-D036)

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

Legal Authority: PL 107-314, sec 801

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 207.70

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, April

1, 2003, Final.

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 801 of the Fiscal Year 2003 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 801 authorizes DoD to acquire a higher quantity of an end item than the

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quantity specified in a law providing for the funding of the acquisition, under certain conditions.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	12/05/02	
Interim Final Rule	07/22/03	68 FR 43331
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	09/22/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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#### 827. ● MULTIYEAR CONTRACTING AUTHORITY REVISIONS (DFARS CASE 2002-D041)

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

Legal Authority: PL 107–314, sec 820 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 217.1

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 820 of the Fiscal Year 2003 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 820 restricts the use of multiyear contracts for supplies to only those for complete and usable end items and restricts the use of advance procurement to only those long-lead items necessary to meet a planned delivery schedule for complete major end items.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	12/05/02	
Interim Final Rule	08/21/03	68 FR 50474
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	10/20/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

#### **Regulatory Flexibility Analysis**

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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#### 828. ● PRODUCTION SURVEILLANCE AND REPORTING (DFARS CASE 2002-D015)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 242.1104

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to eliminate requirements for DoD contract administration offices to perform production surveillance on contractors that have only Criticality Designator C (low-urgency) contracts. This change will permit contract administration offices to devote more resources to critical and high-risk contracts.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/17/03	
NPRM	08/21/03	68 FR 50495
NPRM Comment Period End	10/20/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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**RIN:** 0750-AE07

## 829. ● UNIQUE ITEM IDENTIFICATION AND PROPERTY VALUATION (DFARS CASE 2003–D081)

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

undetermined.

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 204.7104; 48 CFR 211.2; 48 CFR 212.301; 48 CFR 252.211

**Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to add requirements for DoD contractors to provide unique identification for property items delivered to DoD, through the use of item identification marking. In addition, this change adds requirements for DoD contracts to identify the acquisition cost of all items built or acquired by the contractor and subsequently delivered to DoD under the contract. This change will improve management of DoD assets.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	08/07/03	
Interim Final Rule	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses Government Levels Affected: Federal Agency Contact: Noranzie (Gail) Cruz, Department of Defense, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: IMD 3C132, OUSD AT&L, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062 Phone: 703 602–0131

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RIN: 0750-AE09

## 830. ● CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (DFARS CASE 2003-D040)

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

**Legal Authority:** 41 USC 421 **CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 204; 48 CFR 212.3; 48 CFR 213.1; 48 CFR 252.204

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to remove Central Contractor Registration (CCR) requirements, upon incorporation of CCR requirements into the FAR.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	07/28/03	
Interim Final Rule	11/00/03	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

DOD—DARC Final Rule Stage

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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## Department of Defense (DOD) Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (DARC)

#### **Completed Actions**

## 831. FOREIGN ACQUISITION (DFARS CASE 2002-D009)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 41 USC 421

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 206.303; 48 CFR 208.7203; 48 CFR 212.301; 48 CFR 225; 48 CFR 242.302; 48 CFR 252.212; 48 CFR 252.225

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to simplify and clarify policy pertaining to the acquisition of supplies and services from foreign sources.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	03/22/02	
NPRM	10/07/02	67 FR 62590
NPRM Comment Period End	12/06/02	
Final Rule	03/31/03	68 FR 15616
Final Rule Effective	04/30/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected:  $\operatorname{Federal}$ 

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## 832. PAYMENT BONDS ON COST-REIMBURSEMENT CONTRACTS (DFARS CASE 2002-D030)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 228.102

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to permit the use of alternative payment protections for

fixed-price construction subcontracts between \$25,000 and \$100,000 issued under cost-reimbursement contracts.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	10/03/02	
NPRM	02/14/03	68 FR 7490
NPRM Comment Period End	04/15/03	
Final Rule	06/20/03	68 FR 36944

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

Federalism: Undetermined

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**RIN:** 0750-AD79

## 833. EFFICIENCY SAVINGS (DFARS CASE 2002–D022)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 41 USC 421 **CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 242.76

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to add policies and procedures for the negotiation of advance agreements to permit DoD to share efficiency savings with contractors.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	07/23/02	
Withdrawn	08/26/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses Government Levels Affected: Federal Agency Contact: Noranzie (Gail) Cruz, Department of Defense, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: IMD 3C132, OUSD AT&L, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062

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**RIN:** 0750–AD80

#### 834. CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE OF SECURITY-GUARD FUNCTIONS (DFARS CASE 2002-D042)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** PL 107–314, sec 332

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 237.1

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 332 of the Fiscal Year 2003 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 332 provides temporary authority for contractor performance of security-guard functions at military installations or facilities to meet the increased need for such functions since September 11, 2001.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	12/12/02	
Interim Final Rule	02/14/03	68 FR 7443
Interim Final Rule	04/15/03	
Comment Period		
End		
Final Rule	08/21/03	68 FR 50476

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses Government Levels Affected: Federal

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**RIN:** 0750–AD82

DOD—DARC Completed Actions

#### 835. LIABILITY FOR LOSS UNDER VESSEL REPAIR AND ALTERATION CONTRACTS (DFARS CASE 2002–D016)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 252.217–7012

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to increase a contractor's liability for loss or damage under vessel repair and alteration contracts from \$5,000 to \$50,000 per incident. The increased dollar ceiling is based on adjustments for inflation, the need to provide a financial incentive for contractors to minimize loss and damage, and common insurance practices.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/17/02	
NPRM	02/14/03	68 FR 7491
NPRM Comment	04/15/03	
Period End		
Final Rule	08/21/03	68 FR 50477

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses **Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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(DFARS CASE 2002-D019)

**RIN:** 0750-AD84

## 836. TRANSPORTATION OF SUPPLIES BY SEA-COMMERCIAL ITEMS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 2631 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 252.212-7001

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to add an alternate version of a clause, pertaining to the transportation of supplies by sea, for use in contracts for commercial items at or below the simplified acquisition threshold.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	06/24/02	

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/25/02	67 FR 65528
NPRM Comment Period End	12/24/02	
Final Rule	06/03/03	68 FR 33026

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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**RIN:** 0750-AD89

#### 837. CONTRACTING WITH FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES (DFARS CASE 2002-D040)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** PL 107–314, sec 819

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 208.6 **Legal Deadline:** NPRM, Statutory,

March 2, 2003, NPRM.

Final, Statutory, May 31, 2003, Final.

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 819 of the Fiscal Year 2003 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 819 contains requirements regarding the acquisition of products from Federal Prison Industries.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	12/05/02	
Merged With	04/28/03	
0750-AD57		

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: Federal

**Additional Information:** This case was closed and combined with DFARS Case 2002–D003, RIN 0750–AD57.

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RIN: 0750-AD95

#### 838. EXTENSION OF CONTRACT GOAL FOR SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES AND CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION (DFARS CASE 2002-D038)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: PL 107–314, sec 816 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 219.0; 48 CFR

226.70

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to implement section 816 of the Fiscal Year 2003 National Defense Authorization Act. Section 816 extends, through September 30, 2006, the 5 percent goal for DoD contract awards to small disadvantaged businesses, historically black colleges and universities, and minority institutions.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	12/05/02	
Final Rule	03/31/03	68 FR 15381

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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Government Levels Affected: Federal

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**RIN:** 0750–AD96

## 839. ● COMPETITIVENESS DEMONSTRATION CODES UPDATE (DFARS CASE 2003–D003)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 219.1005

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to update the industry categories designated for enhanced small business participation under the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program.

#### DOD—DARC Completed Actions

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	03/25/03	
Final Rule	08/21/03	68 FR 50476

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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RIN: 0750-AD98

#### 840. ● CARIBBEAN BASIN COUNTRY-DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (DFARS CASE 2003-D007)

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

undetermined.

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 252.225-7021

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to reinstate treatment of products of the Dominican Republic as eligible products in acquisitions subject to the Trade Agreements Act, in accordance with a determination of the U.S. Trade Representative.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened Final Rule	05/19/03 08/21/03	68 FR 50477

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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**RIN:** 0750-AE13

### 841. ● REPORTING REQUIREMENTS UPDATE (DFARS CASE 2003–D002)

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

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 253.204

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to update DoD contract action reporting requirements for fiscal year 2004.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	03/25/03	
Final Rule	06/20/03	68 FR 36945
Final Rule Effective	10/01/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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**RIN:** 0750–AE16

## 842. ● DELETION OF FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES CLEARANCE EXCEPTION (DFARS CASE 2003–D006)

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

undetermined.

Legal Authority: 41 USC 421 CFR Citation: 48 CFR 208.606

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** Amends the Defense FAR Supplement to delete obsolete text pertaining to an exception from requirements for purchase of products from Federal Prison Industries.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Case Opened	05/16/03	
Final Rule	06/20/03	68 FR 36944

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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**RIN:** 0750–AE17

## Department of Defense (DOD) Department of the Army (DOA)

#### Final Rule Stage

#### 843. ● FOREIGN ACQUISITION

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

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 10 USC 2202; FAR 1.301; DFARS 201.3; DODD 5000.35; . . .

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 5125 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** To increase consistency in Army contracts that may require

deployment of personnel, the Department of the Army is amending 48 CFR chapter 51. This interim rule is a consolidation and summarization of current information available in several documents, some of which are currently in draft form, and does not include new Army contracting policy.

#### Timetable:

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

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

Additional Information: This interim rule is added to incorporate information to facilitate deploying contractor personnel to Iraq and other areas of operations. It also seeks to ease the administrative difficulty for each contractor and contracting office researching current guidance on DOD—DOA Final Rule Stage

contractors accompanying the force and to increase consistency among Army contracts. This amendment addresses contractor and Army contracting offices' questions and concerns.

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RIN: 0702-AA38

### 844. ● SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES

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

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 10 USC 2202; FAR 1.301; DOD FAR 201.3; DODD 5000.35; ...

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 5152 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: To increase consistency in Army contracts that may require deployment of contractor personnel, the Department of the Army is amending 48 CFR part 5152. This interim rule seeks to incorporate information to facilitate the deployment of contractor personnel to Iraq or other areas of operations.

#### Timetable:

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

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

**Additional Information:** This rule is a consolidation and summarization of current information available in several documents, some of which are currently in draft form, and does not include new Army contracting policy.

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## Department of Defense (DOD) Department of the Army (DOA)

#### **Completed Actions**

### 845. ● UNITED STATES SOLDIERS' AND AIRMEN'S HOME

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

Legal Authority: 24 USC 401 to 433;

PL 101–510

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 574 **Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** This action removes 32 CFR part 574 published in the Federal Register, February 26, 1979 (44 FR

10981). The rule is being removed because it is now obsolete and no longer applies to or governs the policies of the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home facility.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	05/23/03	68 FR 28138

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

#### **Government Levels Affected: None**

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## Department of Defense (DOD) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE)

#### 846. ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY; PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 42 USC 4321 et seq;

40 CFR 1500.6

CFR Citation: 33 CFR 230 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The purpose of this regulatory revision is to clarify and provide additional guidance for Corps

NEPA requirements for activities at Federal water resource development projects and lands.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/03	
NPRM Comment Period End	07/00/04	
Final Action	10/00/04	
Final Action Effective	02/00/05	

#### **Regulatory Flexibility Analysis**

Required: No

Proposed Rule Stage

**Government Levels Affected:** None

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**RIN:** 0710-AA42

DOD—COE Proposed Rule Stage

#### 847. CLEAN WATER ACT REGULATORY DEFINITION OF "WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES"

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1361; 33 USC

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 328; 40 CFR 110; 40 CFR 112; 40 CFR 116; 40 CFR 117; 40 CFR 122; 40 CFR 230; 40 CFR 232; 40 CFR 257; 40 CFR 300; 40 CFR 401

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: An advance notice of proposed rulemaking on the Clean Water Act Regulatory Definition of "Waters of the United States" was published jointly by EPA and the Department of the Army on January 15, 2003. This action solicited public input on aspects of Clean Water Act regulatory jurisdiction that should be addressed in joint rulemaking by EPA and the Department of the Army to clarify the jurisdictional status under the Clean Water Act (CWA) of "isolated intrastate non-navigable waters and wetlands." The existing regulations contain language asserting jurisdiction over isolated intrastate waters, but that regulatory provision has been the subject of a January 9, 2001, U.S. Supreme Court opinion, Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (SWANCC). In SWANCC, the Court held that the scope of "waters of the United States" protected under the Clean Water Act did not extend to isolated intrastate non-navigable waters based solely on presence of migratory birds. While SWANCC did not actually invalidate regulations under the CWA, the decision does establish limitations on their use. Revision of the regulatory language is necessary to address the Court's decision, improve regulatory clarity, and provide more specificity regarding CWA jurisdiction. Approximately 150,000 comments were received in response to the ANPRM. The Corps and EPA are currently sorting comments by nature and

substance to facilitate final review and consideration. The assessment of the comments will be factored into the decision on the need for, and scope of. further rulemaking. Among others things, a rulemaking process would clarify CWA jurisdiction for entities (e.g., industrial, commercial, governmental) that discharge pollutants, including dredged or fill material, to isolated intrastate surface waters or wetlands. Small entities or State/local/tribal governments might be affected by a change in regulatory definition of "waters of the United States" if they either are regulated under or help administer CWA programs affecting such waters; e.g., sections 402, 404, 311. Significant impacts on such entities or governments are not anticipated, as the proposed regulatory revisions would be consistent with the Supreme Court ruling.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	01/15/03	68 FR 1991
ANPRM Comment Period End	04/16/03	68 FR 9613
NPRM	05/00/04	
NPRM Comment Period End	07/00/04	

### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Reguired: No

**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses, Governmental Jurisdictions, Organizations

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal, Local, State, Tribal

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**RIN:** 0710-AA50

#### 848. REGULATORY PROGRAM OF THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 401; 33 USC 403; 33 USC 1344; 33 USC 1413

CFR Citation: 33 CFR 325 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: In 1990, the Corps published its final regulations regarding the protection of historic properties and compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and other historic preservation laws. Since those final regulations were published, the NHPA was amended in 1992, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's implementing regulations at 36 CFR 800 have been revised substantially. The Corps will revise appendix C of 33 CFR 325 to conform to it regulations to the NHPA, as amended.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/00/04	
NPRM Comment Period End	03/00/04	
Final Action	12/00/04	
Final Action Effective	02/00/05	

### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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## Department of Defense (DOD) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE)

Final Rule Stage

## 849. NATURAL DISASTER PROCEDURES: PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, AND RECOVERY ACTIVITIES OF THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 33 USC 701 CFR Citation: 33 CFR 203 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This revision of 33 CFR 203 is necessary to reflect current policy, add features required by the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-303), and streamline certain procedures concerning Corps authority for disaster preparedness, response, and recovery activities. Public Law 104–303 additions are the option of a nonstructural alternative to structural levee repairs for damage caused by flood events and the provision of a levee owners' manual. Other changes include a change in the cost share provision for rehabilitation of Federal and non-Federal flood control works, expansion of investigation ability for potential Advance Measures work, and a streamlined approach for requests for assistance from Native American tribes and Alaska Native Corporations.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/26/02	67 FR 8748
NPRM Comment Period End	04/29/02	
Final Action	11/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

#### **Government Levels Affected:**

Undetermined

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#### 850. PROGRAMMATIC REGULATIONS FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE EVERGLADES RESTORATION PLAN

**Regulatory Plan:** This entry is Seq. No. 33 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

**RIN:** 0710–AA49

### 851. ● CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY INFLATION ADJUSTMENT RULE

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

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1319; 33 USC 2104; 28 USC 2461; PL 104–134

CFR Citation: 33 CFR 326.6 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is proposing to amend its regulations to adjust its Class I civil penalties under the Clean Water Act and the National Fishing Enhancement Act. The adjustment of civil penalties to account for inflation is required by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990, as amended. Since we have not

made any adjustments to our Class I civil penalties, we are proposing to make the initial 10 percent increase under this Act. The proposed adjusted Class I civil penalty under the Clean Water Act will not exceed \$11,000 per violation, with a maximum civil penalty amount of \$27,500. Under the National Fishing Enhancement Act, the proposed adjusted Class I civil penalty will not exceed \$11,000 per violation. Increasing the maximum amounts of the Class I civil penalties to account for inflation will maintain the deterrent effects of those penalties.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/20/03	68 FR 50108
NPRM Comment Period End	10/06/03	
Final Action	03/00/04	
Final Action Effective	04/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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#### Department of Defense (DOD)

#### U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE)

852. REGULATORY PROGRAMS OF THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS, ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT; SCOPE OF ANALYSIS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

CFR Citation: 33 CFR 325

Timetable: Next Action Undetermined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

Federalism: Undetermined

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**RIN:** 0710–AA43

## 853. COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE ABILITY TO PAY PROVISIONS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

CFR Citation: 33 CFR 241

Long-Term Actions

Timetable: Next Action Undetermined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

Federalism: Undetermined

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DOD—COE Long-Term Actions

#### 854. ● SPECIAL EVENTS RULE

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

Legal Authority: 16 USC 460(l) CFR Citation: 36 CFR 327 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) may propose to amend its special events program regulations at 36 CFR 327.21 to better define the special events program at Corps of Engineers water resources projects. Special events may be held at any Corps of Engineers water resources

project provided a permit is obtained by the sponsor in advance of the event. The proposed rule would define what constitutes a special event and when a permit is required to hold an event at a Corps water resources project. This proposed rule would contain new definitions, outline when a fee may be charged to hold an event, describe permitting procedures, and include a sample permit application, event permit, and permit checklist.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** 

Undetermined

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## Department of Defense (DOD) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE)

#### **Completed Actions**

## 855. REGULATORY PROGRAMS OF THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 33 USC 401; 33 USC 403; 33 USC 1344; 33 USC 1413 **CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 320 to 331

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The Corps of Engineers intends to make numerous clarifications to its existing regulations at 33 CFR 320 to 331 to consolidate all permit regulations into one document and to reorganize 33 CFR 325 for clarity. Since the Corps Regulatory Program final regulations were published in the Federal Register on November 13, 1986 (51 FR 41206), there has been a need to clarify several of those provisions. Since 1986, the Corps has adopted two new appendices at 33 CFR 325, appendices B and C, and the Corps has also adopted revisions to the Nationwide Permit Program (33 CFR 330), Class 1 Administrative Civil Penalties (33 CFR 326), and revisions to the definition of discharge of Dredged Material and Fill Material and prior converted croplands. This rulemaking will consolidate all recent changes in one place.

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Withdrawn 09/02/03

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

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**Government Levels Affected:** None

Federalism: Undetermined

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#### 856. REGULATORY PROGRAMS OF THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS— WETLAND DELINEATOR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1344

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 320; 33 CFR 323; 33 CFR 325; 33 CFR 328; 33 CFR 333

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The regulation establishes the procedures for certification under the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineator Certification Program developed pursuant to section 307(e) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1990.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/14/95	60 FR 13654
NPRM Comment Period End	04/13/95	
Withdrawn	09/02/03	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

Federalism: Undetermined

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Department of Defense (DOD)

Department of the Navy (NAVY)

Final Rule Stage

857. POLICIES AND
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL
ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT
WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE
NAVY

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 49 USC 44502 **CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 775 (Revision)

Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The Department of the Navy is revising its regulations, which establish the responsibilities and procedures for complying with the

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). This revision clarifies when certain Department of the Navy actions must be studied to determine their effect on the human environment and what types of activities are excluded from the NEPA documentation requirements.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/09/99	64 FR 37069
NPRM Comment Period End	09/07/99	
Final Action	12/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:  ${
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**Government Levels Affected:** None

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## Department of Defense (DOD) Department of the Navy (NAVY)

**Long-Term Actions** 

### 858. SHIPBUILDING CAPABILITY PRESERVATION AGREEMENTS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 5231 (New)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	12/22/97	62 FR 66826

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	12/22/97	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	02/20/98	
Final Action	To Be I	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:  ${
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**Government Levels Affected:** None

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**RIN:** 0703–AA50

## Department of Defense (DOD) Department of the Navy (NAVY)

**Completed Actions** 

#### 859. USE OF DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY AVIATION FACILITIES BY OTHER THAN UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AIRCRAFT

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 49 USC 1507 CFR Citation: 32 CFR 766 Legal Deadline: None **Abstract:** This part establishes the policy and procedures for the use of Navy and Marine Corps aviation facilities by aircraft other than United States Department of Defense aircraft.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/01/94	59 FR 61561
NPRM Comment Period End	01/03/95	
Withdrawn	09/03/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

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Required: No

**Government Levels Affected:** None

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#### Department of Defense (DOD)

#### Office of Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs (DODOASHA)

Final Rule Stage

860. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS); HOSPITAL PAYMENT FOR AMBULATORY CARE

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule establishes a new payment method for ambulatory care (other than ambulatory surgery) provided by hospitals to CHAMPUS beneficiaries under which payment amounts would be based on the cost of the service rather than on the billed charge as at present.

#### Timetable:

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Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/20/94	59 FR 3046
NPRM Comment Period End	03/21/94	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

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Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

Federalism: Undetermined

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861. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS); EXCEPTION TO THE CHAMPUS DUAL COMPENSATION/CONFLICT OF INTEREST PROVISIONS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Currently, any individual who is a civilian employee of the United States Government cannot be authorized by CHAMPUS as a provider of medical services. We propose to provide an exception to this prohibition to permit these individuals to be authorized CHAMPUS providers if they meet three conditions. First, they must be employed by the Government agency on a part-time basis, that is, less than 20 hours per week. Second, the Agency must certify that unique or special circumstances detrimental to the delivery of quality health care exist that can be overcome only by employing part-time, non-Government physicians. Third, the Agency and the physician must certify that they understand and have taken appropriate measures to avoid violation of Standards of Conduct, dual compensation, and conflict of interest requirements including protection against referral of patients to the employee's private practice.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/26/97	62 FR 45196
NPRM Comment Period End	10/27/97	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

Federalism: Undetermined

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862. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS); PROSTHETIC DEVICES

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule implements section 702 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (Pub. L. 105–85), which authorizes purchase of prosthetic devices, as determined by the Secretary of Defense, to be necessary because of significant conditions resulting from trauma, congenital anomalies, or disease. The Act changes the existing limited provisions for prosthetic devices, expands coverage to include cost sharing of other prostheses; e.g., noses, ears, and fingers.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	05/20/99	64 FR 45453
Interim Final Rule	08/20/99	64 FR 45453
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	10/19/99	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

Federalism: Undetermined

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863. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS); DOUBLE COVERAGE

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 199 **Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: This rule clarifies our double coverage policy for non-institutional claims for beneficiaries with primary health insurance. TRICARE network, non-network but participating, and non-participating providers are all reimbursed differently under current procedures. This has had the unintended effect of discouraging TRICARE network participation since non-network but participating providers receive the most favorable treatment with respect to double coverage calculations. The Department proposes to revise double coverage reimbursement calculations by reimbursing all providers up to 100 percent of the CHAMPUS Maximum Allowable Charge after the primary health insurance has paid, or 115 percent for nonparticipating providers.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/17/99	64 FR 32451
NPRM Comment Period End	08/16/99	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

Federalism: Undetermined

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864. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS); ESTABLISHMENT OF AN APPEALS PROCESS FOR TRICARE

PROCESS FOR TRICARE CLAIMCHECK DENIALS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

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CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule implements section 714 of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 1999, which requires the establishment of an appeals process for denials by TRICARE Claimcheck (TCC) or any similar software system. This rule enhances the current appeals process by adding an additional level of appeal conducted at the TRICARE Management Activity (TMA) and by codifying the entire process in this part.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/13/00	65 FR 2085
NPRM Comment Period End	03/13/00	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

Federalism: Undetermined

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865. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS); METHODOLOGY FOR COVERAGE OF NIH-SPONSORED CLINICAL TRIALS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule modifies the general prohibition against CHAMPUS cost-sharing of unproven drugs, devices, and medical treatments or procedures by adding a provision allowing a waiver of the prohibition in connection with clinical trials sponsored by the National Institutes of Health, if it is determined that such a waiver will promote access by covered beneficiaries to promising new treatments and contribute to the development of such treatments.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/31/00	65 FR 34627
NPRM Comment Period End	07/31/00	
Final Rule	01/31/01	66 FR 8365
Final Rule Withdrawn	02/07/01	66 FR 9199
Final Rule Effective	03/02/01	66 FR 8365
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

Federalism: Undetermined

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#### 866. CHAMPUS/TRICARE; IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PHARMACY BENEFITS PROGRAM

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 199 **Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: This rule is designed to implement section 701 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000. This rule establishes procedures for the inclusion of pharmaceutical agents on a Uniform Formulary based upon relative clinical effectiveness and cost effectiveness; establishes cost-sharing requirements, including a tiered co-payment structure, for generic, formulary and non-formulary pharmaceutical agents; establishes procedures to assure the availability of pharmaceutical agents not included on the Uniform Formulary to eligible beneficiaries at the nonformulary cost-share tier; establishes procedures to receive pharmaceutical agents not included on the Uniform Formulary, but considered clinically necessary, under the same terms and conditions as an agent on the Uniform Formulary; establishes procedures to assure the availability of clinically appropriate non-formulary pharmaceutical agents to members of the Uniformed Services; establishes procedures for prior authorization

when required; and establishes a Department of Defense Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (DoD P&T Committee) and a Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel. Other administrative amendments are also made to clarify specific policies that relate to the program.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/12/02	67 FR 17948
NPRM Comment Period End	06/11/02	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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867. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES; INDIVIDUAL CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR PERSONS WITH EXTRAORDINARY CONDITIONS (ICMP-PEC)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 199 **Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** The Department of Defense proposes to amend its regulations of the Individual Case Management Program (ICMP) to implement requirements stipulated by section 703 of the Fiscal Year 2000 National Defense

Authorization Act, section 8118 of the

Fiscal Year 2000 Defense

Appropriations Act, section 701 of the Fiscal Year 2001 National Defense Authorization Act, and section 8100 of the Fiscal Year 2001 Defense Appropriations Act. Other administrative amendments are also proposed to clarify specific policies that relate to the program.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/01/01	66 FR 39699
NPRM Comment Period End	10/01/01	

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Final Action	11/00/03	
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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No **Government Levels Affected: None** 

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#### 868. TRICARE: PRIME REMOTE FOR **ACTIVE DUTY FAMILY MEMBERS**

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule implements 10 U.S.C. 1079(p), as added by section 722(b) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001. This rule provides coverage for medical care for active-duty family members who reside with an activeduty member of the Uniformed Services assigned to remote areas and eligible for the program known as TRICARE Prime Remote. Active-duty family members who enroll in TRICARE Prime Remote for Active-Duty Family Members (TPRADFM) will enjoy benefits generally comparable to TRICARE Prime enrollees including access standards, benefit coverage, and cost-shares.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	02/06/02	67 FR 5477
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/08/02	
Interim Final Rule Effective	04/08/02	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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869. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS); VOLUNTARY **DISENROLLMENT FROM THE** TRICARE RETIREE DENTAL PROGRAM (TRDP)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule implements section 726 of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001, which amended 10 U.S.C. 1076c to allow for voluntary disenrollment from the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program in certain circumstances.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/30/02	67 FR 4375
NPRM Comment Period End	04/01/02	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No.

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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870. CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED **SERVICES (CHAMPUS): ENURETIC DEVICES, BREAST** RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY, PFPWD VALID AUTHORIZATION PERIOD, EARLY INTERVENTION **SERVICES** 

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule removes the exclusion of enuresis alarms, corrects

contradictory language as it relates to breast reconstructive surgery, changes the valid period of an authorization for services and items under the Program for Persons with Disabilities, implements section 640 of Public Law 105-17, which establishes the CHAMPUS payment relationship for IDEA part C and items, and revises a statement to the paragraph at 32 CFR 199.4(g)(15)(i)(D).

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/15/00	65 FR 68957
NPRM Comment Period End	01/16/01	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No.

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#### 871. TRICARE; WAIVER OF CERTAIN TRICARE DEDUCTIBLES; **CLARIFICATION OF THE TRICARE** PRIME ENROLLMENT PERIOD

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule implements section 714 of the National Defense

Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, which authorizes the Secretary of Defense to waive the TRICARE deductible in certain cases for care provided to a dependent of a member of a Reserve Component or the National Guard who is called to active duty for more than 30 days but less than 1 year. In implementing this rule, we are limiting this to Reserve Component and National Guard members called to

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active duty in support of contingency operations. The term "contingency operations" is defined at 10 U.S.C. 101(a)(13). This rule also establishes circumstances under which eligible beneficiaries may enroll in TRICARE Prime for a period of less than 1 year.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/18/02	67 FR 19141
NPRM Comment Period End	06/17/02	
Interim Final Rule	07/31/03	68 FR 44882
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/29/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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872. TRICARE; SUB-ACUTE CARE PROGRAM; UNIFORM SKILLED NURSING FACILITY BENEFIT; HOME HEALTH CARE BENEFIT; ADOPTING MEDICARE PAYMENT METHODS FOR SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES AND HOME HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

**Priority:** Other Significant

Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule partially implements the TRICARE "sub-acute and long-term care program reform" enacted by Congress in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002, Public Law 107-107, specifically: (1) Establishment of "an effective, efficient, and integrated sub-acute care benefits program," with skilled nursing facility and home health care benefits modeled after those of the Medicare Program; (2) adoption of Medicare payment methods for skilled nursing facility, home health care, and certain other institutional health care providers; (3) adoption of Medicare rules on balance billing of beneficiaries, prohibiting it by institutional providers

and limiting it by non-institutional providers; and (4) change in the statutory exclusion of coverage for custodial and domiciliary care.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	06/13/02	67 FR 40597
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	08/12/02	
Interim Final Rule Effective	08/12/02	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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#### 873. TRICARE; CHAMPUS; APPEALS AND HEARINGS PROCEDURES, FORMAL REVIEW

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule makes administrative corrections to 32 CFR part 199, section 199.10, "Appeal and Hearing Procedures." These corrections include revising section 199.10, adding paragraphs (c)( $\tilde{1}$ ) through (c)(5), and making other minor editorial changes. Paragraphs (c)(1) through (c)(5) were inadvertently omitted when the July 1, 1991, edition of title 32 of the CFR was published. The discovery that the formal review process was missing from section 199.10 occurred at the time TRICARE was tasked to promulgate an appeal process for TRICARE Claimcheck denials. This correction to section 199.10 is necessary to provide the required procedures to any party to an initial determination or reconsideration made by the CHAMPUS contractor and who may want to request formal review.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	05/01/83	
Interim Final Rule Effective	05/01/83	
Correction	03/13/03	68 FR 11973
Interim Final Rule	03/13/03	68 FR 11973
Interim Final Rule	03/31/03	68 FR 15372
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	05/12/03	68 FR 11973
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	
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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected:  ${
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**Government Levels Affected:** None

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## 874. TRICARE PROGRAM; SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN OVERSEAS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: In the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, Congress mandated that the Department establish and fund a program to provide a special supplemental food and nutrition education program to eligible low-income families overseas whose members have been determined to be at nutritional risk. This program is known as the Women, Infants, and Children Overseas (WIC Overseas) program. This interim final rule implements section 674 of this act.

#### Timetable:

Date	FR Cite
07/22/03	68 FR 43299
09/22/03	
10/01/03	
11/00/03	
01/00/04	
	07/22/03 09/22/03 10/01/03 11/00/03

### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

DOD-DODOASHA Final Rule Stage

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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875. TRICARE PROGRAM; INCLUSION OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST'S **ASSISTANTS AS AUTHORIZED** PROVIDERS; COVERAGE OF **CARDIAC REHABILITATION IN** FREESTANDING CARDIAC REHABILITATION FACILITIES

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule establishes a new category of provider as an authorized TRICARE provider, and it increases the settings where cardiac rehabilitation can be covered as a TRICARE benefit. It recognizes anesthesiologist's assistants as authorized providers under certain circumstances. It also authorizes cardiac rehabilitation services, which are already a covered TRICARE benefit when provided by hospitals, to be provided in freestanding cardiac rehabilitation facilities.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/03/03	68 FR 16247
NPRM Comment Period End	06/02/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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876. TRICARE; CHANGES INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL DEFENSE **AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL** YEAR 2002 (NDAA-02) AND A **TECHNICAL CORRECTION INCLUDED** IN THE NDAA-03

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This rule proposes several changes to the TRICARE program that were enacted by Congress in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (NDAA-02), Public Law 107-107 (December 28, 2001). Specifically, (1) revisions to the definition of durable medical equipment (DME); (2) adoption of the same pricing methods for durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (DMEPOS) as are in effect for the Medicare program; (3) clarification that rehabilitative therapy is a TRICARE benefit; (4) addition of augmentative communication devices (ACD)/speech generating devices (SGD) as a TRICARE benefit; (5) addition of hearing aids for family members of active duty members as a TRICARE benefit; (6) revisions to the definition of prosthetics; (7) permanent authority for transitional health care for certain members separated from active duty; and (8) revisions to the time period of eligibility for transitional health care. This rule also addresses a technical correction found in section 706 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003 (NDAA-03), Public Law 107–62, relating to transitional health care for dependents of certain members separated from active duty.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/16/03	68 FR 18575
NPRM Comment Period End	06/16/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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877. ● TRICARE: INDIVIDUAL CASE MANAGEMENT: PROGRAM FOR **PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:** EXTENDED BENEFITS FOR DISABLED **FAMILY MEMBERS OF ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS: CUSTODIAL** CARE

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

Legal Authority: 5 USC 301; 10 USC

chapter 55

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** The Department is publishing this rule to implement requirements enacted by Congress in section 701(g) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (NDAA-02), Public Law 107-107, which terminates the Individual Case Management Program. The Department withdraws its proposed rule published at 66 FR 39699 to 39705, August 1, 2001, regarding the Individual Case Management Program. This rule also implements section 701(b) of the NDAA-02, which provides additional benefits for certain eligible active duty dependents by amending the TRICARE regulations at 32 CFR 199.5 governing the Program for Persons With Disabilities. The Program for Persons With Disabilities will now be called the Extended Care Health Option. Other administrative amendments are included to clarify specific policies that relate to the Extended Care Health Option, custodial care, and to update related definitions.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/06/03	68 FR 46526
NPRM Comment Period End	10/06/03	
Final Action	11/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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#### DOD—DODOASHA Final Rule Stage

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## 878. ● TRICARE; ELIMINATION OF NONAVAILABILITY STATEMENT AND REFERRAL AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS AND ELIMINATION OF SPECIALIZED TREATMENT SERVICES PROGRAM

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

Legal Authority: 5 USC 301; 10 USC

chapter 55

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule implements section

735 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (NDAA-02) (Pub. L. 107-107). It also implements section 728 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (NDAA-01) (Pub. L. 106-398). Section 735 of NDAA-02 eliminates the requirement for TRICARE Standard beneficiaries who live within a 40-mile radius of a military medical treatment facility (MTF) to obtain a nonavailability statement (NAS) or preauthorization from an MTF before receiving inpatient care (other than mental health services) or maternity care from a civilian provider in order that TRICARE will cost-share for such services. Further, this section eliminates the NAS requirement for specialized treatment services (STSs) for TRICARE Standard beneficiaries who live outside the 200mile radius of a designated STS facility. This rule portrays the Department's decision to eliminate the STS program entirely. Finally, section 728 of NDAA–01 requires that prior authorization before referral to a specialty care provider that is part of the contractor network be eliminated under any new TRICARE contract.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	07/31/03	68 FR 44878
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	09/29/03	68 FR 44879
Final Action	11/00/03	
Interim Final Rule Effective	12/28/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	
Regulatory Flexibility Analysis		

#### Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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## 879. ● TRICARE; CHANGES INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003 (NDAA-03)

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 10 USC

chapter 55

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: None

**Abstract:** This interim final rule contains several provisions found in the NDAA-03. Specifically, (1) eliminating the requirement for TRICARE preauthorization of inpatient mental health care for

Medicare—eligible beneficiaries where Medicare is primary payer and has already authorized the care; (2) using Medicare certification of individual professional providers as sufficient documentation to also certify individual professional providers under TRICARE; and (3) expanding the TRICARE Dental Program eligibility for dependents of deceased members.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	11/00/03	
Interim Final Rule	01/00/04	
Effective		

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

**Government Levels Affected: None** 

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#### Department of Defense (DOD)

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**Completed Actions** 

880. TRICARE; CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES (CHAMPUS); ELIGIBILITY AND PAYMENT PROCEDURES FOR CHAMPUS BENEFICIARIES AGE 65 AND OVER

**Priority:** Economically Significant. Major under 5 USC 801.

Legal Authority: 10 USC 55; 5 USC 301

CFR Citation: 32 CFR 199 Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory,

October 1, 2001, Final.

**Abstract:** This rule implements section 712 of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

Year 2001. Section 712 extends TRICARE eligibility to persons age 65 and over who would otherwise have lost their TRICARE eligibility due to attainment of entitlement to hospital insurance benefits under Part A of Medicare. In order for these individuals to retain their TRICARE eligibility, they must be enrolled in the supplementary medical insurance program under Part B of Medicare. In general, in the case of medical or dental care provided to these individuals for which payment may be made under both Medicare and TRICARE, Medicare is the primary payer and TRICARE will normally pay the actual out-of-pocket costs incurred

by the person. This rule prescribes TRICARE payment procedures and makes revisions to TRICARE rules to accommodate Medicare—eligible CHAMPUS beneficiaries. The Department is publishing this rule as an interim final rule in order to meet the statutorily required effective date.

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	08/03/01	66 FR 40601
Interim Final Rule Effective	10/01/01	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period Fnd	10/02/01	

#### DOD—DODOASHA Completed Actions

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Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	04/30/03	68 FR 23030
Correction	05/30/03	68 FR 32361
Final Action Effective	10/01/03	68 FR 23031

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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## 881. ● TRICARE; COORDINATION OF BENEFITS BETWEEN TRICARE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 10 USC

chapter 55

Administration.

**CFR Citation:** 32 CFR 199 **Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: Under current rules, beneficiaries who are eligible for both TRICARE and the Veterans Administration benefits may use only one program for care but cannot use both at the same time. This rule changes that policy to establish a Veterans Administration benefits as double coverage under TRICARE, so that beneficiaries may use TRICARE benefits to augment or replace services being provided through the Veterans

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/19/03	68 FR 49732
NPRM Comment Period End	10/20/03	
Withdrawn	08/28/03	68 FR 51705

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis** 

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