OMB Circular A-122 Attachment B Attac ent 9 Answers to the True / False **Exercise**

Payments for authorized leave are allowable, provided such costs are absorbed by all organization activities in proportion to the relative amount of time or effort actually devoted to each.

True

Attachment B 7 f. (1)

The Circular has been revised to allow "light alcoholic" beverages.



Attachment B 2.

Costs associated with reorganizing are allowable without awarding agency approval if the costs are all related to payments to parties outside the organization.

False

Attachment B 31.

Advertising costs associated with the disposal of surplus materials are not allowable where all disposal costs are reimbursed based on a standard rate as specified in the grants management common rule.

True

Attachment B 1. c (3).

Charges for use allowances or depreciation must be supported by adequate property records and physical inventories must be taken at least every 3 years.



Attachment B 11 g. Two years

Public relations costs are allowable for the costs of meeting rooms, hospitality suites, and other special facilities used in conjunction with shows and other events.

False

Attachment B 1.f. (ii)

The cost of data processing services is allowable.

True

Attachment B 39.

The costs associated with E-mail and cellular phones is unallowable.

False

Attachment B 6. Reasonableness and necessity may be key here.

Fines and penalties incurred by an organization as a result of compliance with specific provisions of an award or instructions in writing from the awarding agency are allowable.

True

Attachment B 16.

- Accrual of costs to cover abnormal or mass severance pay is conjectural in nature but is allowable when charged as an indirect cost.
- False
- Attachment B 49. Abnormal or mass severance pay will be considered on a case by case basis.

Pension costs calculated using a GAAP actuarial method are allowable for a given fiscal year if they are funded for that year within 12 months after the end of that year.

False

- Attachment B 7. h. (d) They must be funded within 6 months of the end of the fiscal year.

The value of donated services is now reimbursable as either a direct or indirect cost.

False

Attachment B 12. The value of donated services may be used to meet cost sharing or matching requirements.

The use allowance for equipment will be computed at an annual rate not exceeding 6 2/3 % of acquisition cost.

True

Attachment B 11 d.

Cost of entertainment, including amusement diversion and social activities are allowable as long as the governmental unit has a written "no smoking" policy.

False

Attachment B 14

The cost of organized fund raising to save animals covered under the "Endangered Species Act of 1998" are allowable.

False

Attachment B 23 d.

That portion of the cost of organizationfurnished automobiles that relates to personal use is allowable as a fringe benefit cost if it is reported as taxable income.

False

Attachment B 7. g.

Because of the projected federal budget surplus, the Circular was amended to allow federal programs to pay for the under-recovery of indirect cost by programs that do not pay their "fair share" of indirect costs.

False

Attachment B 26.

The cost of recreational facilities is allowable.

True.

Attachment B 13. Income generated from any of these activities will be offset against expenses.

The costs of commercial insurance that protects against the costs of the contractor for correction of the contractor's own defects in materials or workmanship are allowable.

False

Attachment B 22. a. (2) (f)

Costs of idle facilities are allowable if they are necessary to meet fluctuations in workload.

True

Attachment B 20. b. (1)

Premium for overtime pay for employees performing indirect functions are allowable without prior federal approval.

True

Attachment B 32 b.

Costs of membership in any civic or community organization are allowable with prior approval by the Federal cognizant agency.

True

Attachment B 30 d.

Employee counseling services are unallowable because these types of expenses are considered to be of a "personal" nature and not chargeable to Federal awards.

False

Attachment B 13.

- Costs incurred in maintaining satisfactory relations between the organization and its employees, including costs of labor management committees, employee publications, and other related activities are allowable.
 - True
 - Attachment B 24. Allowable labor relations

Costs associated with the collection of bad debts, when related to the organization's indirect cost staff, are allowable as indirect costs.

False.

Attachment B 3.

- Professional and consultant services rendered by persons or organizations that are members of a particular profession that renders services contingent upon recovery of costs from the Federal Government are allowable.
- False
- Attachment B 39. "Contingent upon recovery" makes this unallowable.

Recovery of indirect cost has been capped at 26%.

False

Organizations that receive more than 10 million in Federal funding of direct cost in a fiscal year must breakout indirect cost into administration and facilities.

True

Attachment A.

Costs incurred to restore a unit's facilities to approximately the same condition existing prior to the commencement of Federal awards, including costs related to normal wear and tear, are allowable.

False

Attachment B 43. Normal wear and tear costs must be excluded.

Fund raising and investment activities belong in the "base" and shall be allocated their "fair share" of indirect costs.

True

Attachment B 23.

Normally, the cost of lobbying activities are unallowable but costs associated with legislative liaison activities are allowable.

False

Attachment B 25. a. (5)

Travel and subsistence costs of trustees (or directors) are allowable.

True

Attachment B 56.

If a specific item of cost is not mentioned in Attachment B, the implication is that the cost is unallowable.

False

Attachment B Opening paragraph Failure to mention a particular item of cost is not intended to imply that it is unallowable.

Costs of promotional items and memorabilia are allowable as indirectly charged public relations costs.

False

Attachment B 1. f. (3)

If the organization's capitalization level is \$5,000, items of equipment with an acquisition cost of less than \$5,000 are considered to be supplies and are allowable as direct costs without specific awarding agency approval.

- True
- Attachment B 15.

Special arrangements and alterations of facilities incurred specifically for a Federal award are allowable as indirect costs.

False

Attachment B 42. Allowable only as a direct costs and with prior approval of the Federal awarding agency.

Under a less-than-arms-length lease, rental costs are allowable only up to the amount that would be allowed had title to the property vested in the organization.

True

Attachment B 46. c.

- Costs associated with an organization's subscription to a "pornographic periodical" are allowable for employee morale purposes.
 - False
- Attachment B 30. Subscriptions must be to business, professional and technical publications

The End

