# 1.404 Class deviations.

Class *deviations* affect more than one contract action. When an agency knows that it will require a class *deviation* on a permanent basis, it *should* propose a FAR revision, if appropriate. Civilian agencies, other than NASA, *must* furnish a copy of each approved class *deviation* to the FAR Secretariat.

(a) For civilian agencies except NASA, class *deviations may* be authorized by *agency heads* or their designees, unless 1.405(e) is applicable. Delegation of this authority *shall* not be made below the head of a *contracting activity*. Authorization of class *deviations* by agency officials is subject to the following limitations:

(1) An agency official who *may* authorize a class *deviation*, before doing so, *shall* consult with the chairperson of the Civilian Agency *Acquisition* Council (CAA Council), unless that agency official determines that urgency precludes such consultation.

(2) Recommended revisions to the FAR *shall* be transmitted to the FAR Secretariat by *agency heads* or their designees for authorizing class *deviations*.

(b) For DoD, class *deviations shall* be controlled, processed, and approved in accordance with the Defense FAR Supplement.

(c) For NASA, class *deviations shall* be controlled and approved by the Assistant Administrator for *Procurement*. *Deviations shall* be processed in accordance with agency regulations.

**Parent topic:** Subpart 1.4 - Deviations from the FAR