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**Class Deviation from the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 43 Regarding Executive Order 14275 on Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement.**

**1. Purpose.** The HUD Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) is issuing this class deviation to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 43 for purposes of implementing the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council's (the Council's) model deviation text to FAR part 43.

**2. Background.** On April 15, 2025, the [Executive Order \(E.O.\) 14275 on Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement](#) was signed which mandates a comprehensive review and simplification of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

The FAR is being updated to:

- Remove non-statutory language
- Remove duplicative or outdated language
- Enhance clarity through plain language
- Align with the new FAR framework
- Retain language necessary for governmentwide acquisition standards.

This project is referred to as the Revolutionary FAR Overhaul (RFO) initiative. This initiative will make the FAR more concise, understandable, and focused on core procurement requirements.

**3. Summary of Changes.** FAR part 43, Contract Modifications, has been streamlined to provide the essential contract modification standards for the workforce to limit risk to the public and government.

Statutory requirements retained in the RFO FAR part 43 model deviation include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 31 U.S.C. § 1501, Documentary Evidence Requirement for Government Obligations
- 31 U.S.C. § 1341, Anti-Deficiency Act
- 41 U.S.C. §§ 7101-7109, Contract Disputes Act of 1978

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CHANGE	DESCRIPTION
Retained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-statutory definitions and procedures for contract modifications are retained to maintain uniformity across Government.</li> <li>• Instructions for documenting and definitizing change orders are retained and clarified.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
Removed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plain language edits have been made throughout, resulting in a 300-word decrease.</li> </ul>

**This table is not an exhaustive list**

#### **4. Instructions.**

- The HUD acquisition workforce shall follow the RFO part 43 model deviation text instead of FAR part 43 as codified at 48 CFR Chapter 43. The Council's RFO part 43 model deviation text is available at [Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul](https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul), and is incorporated into this class deviation.
- Review templates and related standard operating procedures to align with this deviation and remove unnecessary process steps

**5. Applicability.** This class deviation applies to all HUD procurements.

**6. Authority.** This class deviation is issued under the authority of [E.O. 14275](#), [OMB Memo M-25-26](#), 48 CFR 1.4, and RFO FAR 1.304.

**7. Effective Date.** This deviation is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded or incorporated into the FAR.

**8. Point of Contact.** Questions regarding this deviation may be directed to Ms. Nicole Jackson, Procurement Analyst, Procurement Policy and Systems Division, at 202-402-3868 or [Nicole.H.Jackson@hud.gov](mailto:Nicole.H.Jackson@hud.gov).

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