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# Procurement Class Deviation

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## CLASS DEVIATION FROM FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) PART 26 AND NASA FAR SUPPLEMENT (NFS) PART 1826 TO IMPLEMENT THE REVOLUTIONARY FAR OVERHAUL (NASA Case 2025-N019)

**PURPOSE:** To provide a Class Deviation from the FAR to implement the FAR Council's model deviation text to FAR part 26, Socioeconomic Programs, and deviation to NFS 1826.

**BACKGROUND:** On April 15, 2025, the Executive Order (E.O.) 14275, ["Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement"](#) was signed. Section 2 of the E.O. establishes the policy that the FAR "should only contain provisions required by statute or essential to sound procurement, and any FAR provisions that do not advance these objectives should be removed." To implement E.O. 14275, the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) is leading the **Revolutionary FAR Overhaul (RFO)** initiative. This effort is supported by the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council (the Council) member agencies—General Services Administration, Department of Defense and NASA, along with other agencies. In line with the E.O., the initiative aims to eliminate unnecessary regulations and policies across all levels of the federal government.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) memorandum, M-25-26 issued on May 2, 2025, titled, Overhauling the Federal Acquisition Regulation, provided additional guidance to federal agencies regarding the FAR overhaul.

**FAR Streamlining.** As part of the RFO, the FAR will be streamlined to include only statutory requirements, while non-statutory content will move to new buying guides, collectively forming the Strategic Acquisition Guidance (SAG). The Council will first issue model deviation guidance by FAR part, followed by formal rulemaking through the notice-and-comment process. Agencies will have 30 days to issue class deviations based on the model text once it is released.

**Streamlining Agency Acquisition Supplements.** Agencies must streamline their FAR supplements by removing regulations not based on statute or executive orders and aligning with the FAR Council's deviation guidance. Supporting policies must also be updated to reflect these changes. This approach ensures the NASA FAR Supplement (NFS) remains consistent with the streamlined FAR.

**FAR Buying Guides and NFS Companion Guide (CG) (coming soon).** As the FAR and the NFS are streamlined, helpful non-regulatory content will be moved to new FAR Buying Guides and NFS CG. These guides are intended to offer practical instructions and best practices for implementing effective contracting methods.

RFO part 26, Other Socioeconomic Programs, is one of several model deviations released by the FAR Council. RFO part 26 represents an eclectic grouping of programs such as Indian Incentive, Major Disaster or Emergency Assistance Activities, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Food Donations to Non-Profits, a Drug Free Workplace and Texting While Driving. Burdensome, duplicative, or outdated language and language not required by statute have been removed from FAR part 26. This plain language version of FAR part 26 must be adhered to.

To align with the RFO FAR part 26, the NFS 1826, Other Socioeconomic Programs, is revised to remove non-statutory and outdated language. This deviation implements the revised RFO part 26 and NFS part 1826.

***GUIDANCE:***

(1) Contracting officers must follow the RFO part 26 deviated text instead of FAR part 26 as codified at 48 CFR Chapter 1, subchapter D, part 26. The FAR Council's RFO text is available at <https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul>.

(2) COs must also follow the NFS Part 1826 deviated text enclosed within this deviation.

***ACTION REQUIRED BY CONTRACTING OFFICERS:*** Effectively immediately, ensure that new contract actions issued on or after the effective date complies with the policy in the PCD.

***EFFECTIVE DATE:*** This PCD is effective as dated and shall remain in effect until implemented in the FAR and NFS or otherwise rescinded.

***PROVISION AND CLAUSE CHANGES:*** N/A

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**Enclosure**

Changes in the NFS Deviation text below are identified as follows:  
Deletions shown as ~~strike-throughs~~ and additions are shown as **[bold in brackets]**.

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## **PART 1826**

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#### **~~Subpart 1826.3—Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions~~**

##### **~~1826.302 General Policy.~~**

~~NASA's policy is to attain an Agency-wide goal of one percent of total contract value of prime and subcontracting awards for acquisitions to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) and Minority Institutions (MI), pursuant to 51 U.S.C. 30304 (Pub. L. 111-314). This goal is calculated as the sum of prime HBCU/MI dollars as reported in FPDS-NG and subcontracted HBCU/MI dollars as reported in eSRS, divided by total small business eligible dollars as reported in FPDS-NG.~~

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