

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Class Deviation RFO-2025-45

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MEMORANDUM TO: Acquisition Management Division and Buyers in the Regions

FROM: Nicole Stevenson, Acting Director

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Office of Administration

SUBJECT: FAR Class Deviation for FAR Part 45 in Support of Executive Order

14275 on Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement

1. PURPOSE: This memorandum approves a class deviation to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 45, "Government Property" for purposes of implementing the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council's (the Council's) model deviation text to FAR Part 45 to prioritize plain language, resulting in more direct, active, and accessible text. Notable changes include the anticipated relocation of content from the following FAR subsections to the FAR Companion: 1) 45.104 (b) and (d) "Responsibility and liability for Government property"; 2) 45.201(d) "Solicitation"; and 3) 45.606(b) "Contractor scrap procedures". No changes were made to provisions or clauses.

2. BACKGROUND: Executive Order (E.O.) 14275 on Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement signed April 15, 2025, mandates a comprehensive review and simplification of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

The FAR is being updated to:

- Eliminate non-statutory language
- Remove redundant or obsolete language
- Enhance clarity through plain language
- Align with the new FAR framework
- Preserve essential 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 45, Government Property, has been retained with minimal deletions and minor updates made for plain language. No changes were made to provisions or clauses.

The FAR Companion is expected to include additional guidance and best practices to support this FAR Part.

Statutory requirements retained in the RFO FAR Part 45 model deviation include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- 40 U.S.C. § 503, Exchange or Sale of Similar Items
- 40 U.S.C. § 524, Duties of Executive Agencies
- 40 U.S.C. § 546, Contractor Inventories

## 4. INSTRUCTIONS:

- The NRC acquisition workforce must follow the RFO Part 45 and corresponding Part 52 model deviation text instead of FAR Part 45 and Part 52 as codified at 48 CFR Chapter 1. The Council's RFO Part 45 model deviation text is available at <a href="Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul">Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul</a> and is incorporated into this class deviation.
- **5. APPLICABILITY:** This class deviation applies to all NRC procurements.
- **6. AUTHORITY:** This class deviation is issued under the authority of E.O. 14275, OMB M- 25-26, and 48 CFR 1.4 and RFO FAR 1.304.
- **7. EFFECTIVE DATE**: This class deviation is effective immediately, and remains in effect until rescinded or incorporated into the FAR.

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