

## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON, D.C.

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## MEMORANDUM FOR TREASURY ACQUISITION PERSONNEL

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**SUBJECT:** Class Deviation No. 2025-00028 — Implementing the Class Deviation from the

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 49, Termination of Contracts, in

accordance with Executive Order (EO) 14275, "Restoring Common Sense to Federal

Procurement,"

- 1. <u>PURPOSE</u>: This Acquisition Bulletin (AB) approves a class deviation to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 49 for purposes of implementing the FAR Council's (the Council's) deviation to FAR Part 49.
- 2. <u>BACKGROUND</u>: On April 15, 2025, <u>EO 14275</u>, <u>Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement</u> was signed. Section 2 of the EO establishes the policy that the FAR "should contain provisions required by statute or essential sound procurement, and any FAR provisions that do not advance these objectives should be removed."

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; and
- Preserve essential governmentwide acquisition standards.

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

**3. <u>SUMMARY OF CHANGES</u>**: FAR Part 49, *Termination of Contracts*, has been updated for clarity and usability.

Statutory requirements and government directives retained in the RFO FAR Part 49 model deviation include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- 31 U.S.C. § 3729, False Claims
- 41 U.S.C. §§ 7101 et seq (Pub. L. 95-563), The Contract Disputes Act of 1978

Change	Description
Retained	<ul> <li>Section 49.000, "Scope of Part", is simplified and retains the core scope of establishing policies and procedures for terminating contracts early.</li> <li>Section 49.001, "Definitions", is retained and updated for plain language.</li> <li>Section 49.002, "Applicability", is retained and updated for plain language with a simpler structure.</li> <li>Subparts 49.1, 49.2, 49.3, 49.4, 49.5, 49.6 and the sections therein, remain mostly intact and are streamlined with some shifting and reorganizing of sections and subsections throughout.</li> <li>All existing clauses are retained (or remain reserved if previously reserved) with no changes to the text.</li> </ul>
Removed	<ul> <li>Plain language edits were made throughout to enhance readability and remove redundant, unclear, or non-essential language, decreasing the word count by more than 2,500 words.</li> <li>Subsection 49.108-7 "Government assistance in settling subcontracts", Section 49.113 "Cost principles", and Section 49.405 "Completion by another contractor" have been removed and may be moved to non-regulatory content.</li> </ul>

This table is not an exhaustive list.

**4.** <u>AUTHORITY</u>: This class deviation is issued under the authority of EO 14275, <u>OMB Memo M-25-26</u>, 48 CFR 1.4, and RFO FAR 1.304.

## 5. **GUIDANCE**:

- Contracting Officers shall follow the RFO Part 49 instead of FAR Part 49 as codified at 48
   CFR chapter 1. The Council's RFO Part 49 model deviation text is available at

   Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul, and is incorporated into this class deviation, and
- Review forms, templates, and related standard operating procedures to remove unnecessary process steps.
- **6. EFFECTIVE DATE**: This class deviation is effective **November 3, 2025** and remains in effect until rescinded or incorporated into the FAR.
- **7.** <u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>: The point of contact for this AB is Mr. Steve Kvalevog who can be reached at <u>Steven.Kvalevog@treasury.gov.</u>