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Federal Acquisition Regulation: Federal Acquisition Circular 2005–101; Small Entity Compliance Guide

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA),

and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).
ACTION: Small Entity Compliance Guide.

SUMMARY: This document is issued under the joint authority of DoD, GSA, and NASA. This *Small Entity Compliance Guide* has been prepared consistent with section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996. It consists of a summary of the rules appearing in Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2005–101, which amends the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). An asterisk (*) next to a rule indicates that a regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain

further information regarding these rules by referring to FAC 2005–101, which precedes this document. These documents are also available via the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

DATES: September 26, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For clarification of content, contact the analyst whose name appears in the table below. Please cite FAC 2005–101 and the FAR case number. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202–501–4755.

RULES LISTED IN FAC 2005–101

Item	Subject	FAR case	Analyst
I	System for Award Management Registration	2015–005	C. Glover.
II	One Dollar Coins	2018–009	C. Glover.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summaries for each FAR rule follow. For the actual revisions and/or amendments made by these rules, refer to the specific item numbers and subjects set forth in the documents following these item summaries. FAC 2005–101 amends the FAR as follows:

Item I—System for Award Management Registration (FAR Case 2015–005)

This final rule updates the instructions for registration in the System for Award Management (SAM) and corrects an inconsistency involving the timing of registration. In order to correct this inconsistency, the final rule amends FAR 4.1102, 4.1103, and 52.204–7 to require (with some exceptions) offeror registration in SAM prior to submission of an offer.

In addition, the rule requires contracting officers to use the name and physical address from the contractor’s SAM registration for the provided “unique entity identifier”; removes the

term “division name” from the FAR text at FAR 4.1102 and clause 52.204–13; and changes the referenced website “*acquisition.gov*” to “*sam.gov*” to be consistent with the rest of the FAR. It is not anticipated that the rule will have a significant economic impact on small entities, because the rule only clarifies that offerors must be registered in SAM prior to submission of an offer, which is already necessary in order to submit the required annual representations and certifications with the offer.

Item II—One Dollar Coins (FAR Case 2018–009)

This final rule amends the FAR to implement section 885 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Pub. L. 115–91). Section 885 amends 31 U.S.C. 5112(p) to provide an exception for business operations conducted by an entity under a Government contract from the requirements to accept and dispense \$1 coins.

Contracting officers will no longer have to insert FAR clause 52.237–11, Accepting and Dispensing of \$1 Coin, into solicitations and contracts.

Contractors providing services under Government contracts that involve business operations conducted in U.S. coins and currency will no longer be required to accept \$1 coins.

The Regulatory Flexibility Act does not apply to this rule, because this final rule does not constitute a significant FAR revision within the meaning of FAR 1.501–1, and 41 U.S.C. 1707 does not require publication for public comment.

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