

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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[Docket No. FAR–2024–0051, Sequence No. 5]

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2024–07; Introduction

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

and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Summary presentation of final rules.

SUMMARY: This document summarizes the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) rules agreed to by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) in this Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2024–07. A companion document, the *Small Entity Compliance Guide* (SECG), follows this FAC.

DATES: For effective dates see the separate documents, which follow.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The analyst whose name appears in the table below in relation to the FAR case. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202–501–4755 or GSARegSec@gsa.gov.

RULES LISTED IN FAC 2024–07

Item	Subject	FAR case	Analyst
I	Reference to Penalty Threshold	2023–005	Jones.
II	Technical Amendments.		

ADDRESSES: The FAC, including the SECG, is available at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summaries for each FAR rule follow. For the actual revisions and/or amendments made by these FAR rules, refer to the specific item numbers and subjects set forth in the documents following these item summaries. FAC 2024–07 amends the FAR as follows:

Item I—Reference to Penalty Threshold (FAR Case 2023–005)

This final rule amends the FAR to align the penalties language in the FAR lobbying provision at FAR 52.203–11 with the equivalent penalties language in the FAR lobbying clause at FAR 52.203–12. FAR 52.203–11(e) cites to the underlying authority at 31 U.S.C. 1352 and specifies that an imposition of a civil penalty does not prevent the Government from seeking any other remedy that may be applicable.

Item II—Technical Amendments

Administrative changes are made at FAR 4.1202, 19.102, and 19.309.

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Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2024–07 is issued under the authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of General Services, and the Administrator of National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Unless otherwise specified, all Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)

and other directive material contained in FAC 2024–07 is effective August 29, 2024 except for Items I and II, which are effective September 30, 2024.

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ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD, GSA, and NASA are issuing a final rule amending a Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) provision to align the penalties language with the equivalent penalties language at an associated FAR clause.

DATES: Effective September 30, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For clarification of content, contact Malissa Jones, Procurement Analyst, at 571–882–4687 or by email at malissa.jones@gsa.gov. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202–501–4755 or GSARegSec@gsa.gov. Please cite FAC 2024–07, FAR Case 2023–005.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Lobbying coverage in the FAR is based on section 319 of Public Law 101–121, which added 31 U.S.C. 1352. Section 1352 prohibits the use of appropriated funds to influence certain persons in connection with awarding or modifying a contract and includes civil penalties. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance was published December 20, 1989 (54 FR 52306), which directed a FAR rule and an OMB nonprocurement common rule be published with the same substance. A FAR rule was published on January 20, 1990 (55 FR 3190), which has been occasionally revised since then. The penalties section of the FAR provision at 52.203–11, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions,

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Federal Acquisition Regulation: Reference to Penalty Threshold

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).