

19.707 The Small Business Administration's role in carrying out the program.

(a) Under the program, the SBA *may*-

(1) Assist both Government agencies and contractors in carrying out their responsibilities with regard to subcontracting plans;

(2) Review (within 5 working days) any *solicitation* that meets the dollar threshold in [19.702\(a\)\(1\)\(i\)](#) or (ii) before the *solicitation* is issued;

(3) Review (within 5 working days) before execution any negotiated contractual document requiring a subcontracting plan, including the plan itself, and submit recommendations to the *contracting officer*, which *shall* be advisory in nature; and

(4) Evaluate compliance with subcontracting plans, either on a contract-by-contract basis, or, in the case of contractors having multiple contracts, on an aggregate basis.

(b) The SBA is not authorized to-

(1) Prescribe the extent to which any contractor or subcontractor *shall subcontract*,

(2) Specify *concerns* to which *subcontracts* will be awarded, or

(3) Exercise any authority regarding the administration of individual prime contracts or *subcontracts*.

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