

# 538.271 FSS contract awards.

(a) FSS awards will be for commercial items as defined in FAR 2.101. Negotiate contracts as a discount from established catalog prices.

(b) Before awarding any FSS awards determine that the offered prices are fair and reasonable (see FAR Subpart 15.4 and [538.270](#)). Document the negotiation and your determination using FAR 15.406-3 as guidance.

**Parent topic:** [Subpart 538.2 - Establishing and Administering Federal Supply Schedules](#)