

**Class Deviation for Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 5 in accordance with Executive Order
14275, “Restoring Common Sense to the Federal Procurement”
(2026-0004)**

1. Purpose: To issue a class deviation to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 5 for purposes of implementing the FAR Council’s model deviation text to FAR Part 5.

2. Effective Date: Immediately.

3. Expiration Date: Expires when the FAR Council’s model deviation text to FAR Part 5 is incorporated into the FAR or this class deviation is otherwise rescinded.

4. Background: On April 15, 2025, the [Executive Order \(EO\) 14275, Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement](#), was signed. Section 2 of the EO establishes the policy that the FAR “should only contain provisions required by statute or essential to sound procurement, and any FAR provisions that do not advance these objectives should be removed.”

The FAR is being updated to:

- Remove language that is not required by statute
- Remove duplicative or outdated language
- Clarify or provide more plain language
- Revise language for the new FAR framework
- Retain language necessary for governmentwide acquisition standards.

This project is referred to as the Revolutionary FAR Overhaul (RFO) initiative.

5. Summary of Changes: Part 5, *Publicizing Contract Actions*, is revised from a complex, topic-based structure to a streamlined, chronological process that mirrors the three main phases of an acquisition. The revision makes extensive use of tables to present complex information regarding content requirements and timing, a significant departure from the dense paragraphs of the original text. The new tables 5-1, 5-2, 5-3, and 5-4 clearly explain posting requirements and timeframes. This approach directly serves the goals of reducing complexity and enhancing clarity by making the content easier to understand and use.

Statutory requirements retained in the RFO FAR Part 5 model deviation include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 5 U.S.C. § 552, Public Information; Agency Rules, Opinions, Orders, Records, and Proceedings
- 15 U.S.C. § 637(e) and 41 U.S.C. § 1708, Procurement Notice
- 15 U.S.C. § 637(k), Notices of Subcontracting Opportunities
- 15 U.S.C. § 637b, Availability of Information

- 15 U.S.C. § 644, Awards or Contracts
- 44 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3703, Awarding of Contracts
- Pub. L. 97-219, Small Business Innovation Development Act of 1982

Non-statutory requirements removed from FAR Part 5 include, but are not limited to, the following:

- With rare exception, the term “synopsis” has been removed.
- Subpart 5.4 “Release of Information” has been removed as largely duplicative of the general posting guidance throughout the part.
- Subpart 5.6 “Publicizing Multi-Agency Use Contracts”, which required agencies to enter information into a specific governmentwide database of contracts, has been removed as duplicative and outdated.
- Subpart 5.7 “Publicizing Requirements Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)” has been removed because ARRA is no longer active.

6. Required Action: The CFPB acquisition workforce shall follow the RFO Part 5 model deviation text instead of FAR Part 5 as codified at 48 CFR Chapter 1. The Council’s RFO Part 5 model deviation text is available at [Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul](https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul) and is incorporated into this class deviation. The CFPB acquisition workforce shall also use the definitions (Part 2 – Definitions of Words and Terms) found on [Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul](https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul).

7. Applicability: This class deviation applies to all CFPB procurements.

8. Authority: This deviation is issued under the authority of Executive Order 14275, OMB Memo M-25-26, 48 CFR 1.4 and RFO FAR 1.304.

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