

## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON, D.C.

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## MEMORANDUM FOR TREASURY ACQUISITION PERSONNEL

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**SUBJECT:** Class Deviation No. 2026-00007 — Implementing the Class Deviation from the

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 47, *Transportation*, in accordance with Executive Order (EO) 14275, "Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement"

- <u>PURPOSE</u>: This Acquisition Bulletin (AB) approves a class deviation to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 47 for purposes of implementing the FAR Council's (the Council's) deviation to FAR Part 47.
- 2. <u>BACKGROUND</u>: On April 15, 2025, <u>EO 14275</u>, <u>Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement</u> was signed. Section 2 of the EO establishes the policy that the FAR "should contain provisions required by statute or essential sound procurement, and any FAR provisions that do not advance these objectives should be removed."

The FAR is being updated to:

- Eliminate non-statutory language;
- Remove redundant or obsolete language;
- Enhance clarity through plain language;
- Align with the new FAR framework; and
- Preserve essential governmentwide acquisition standards.

This project is referred to as the <u>Revolutionary FAR Overhaul (RFO) initiative</u>. This initiative will make the FAR more concise, understandable, and focused on core procurement requirements.

**3.** <u>SUMMARY OF CHANGES</u>: FAR Part 47, *Transportation*, addresses the transportation policies and procedures applicable to the procurement of supplies. This part addresses the policies applied to transportation, including terms of art that when applied to a contract directly impact the roles and responsibilities of the contract.

The part has been comprehensively revised to improve clarity, consolidate policies, and eliminate outdated requirements. These changes, including the removal of 33 clauses, will streamline the procurement process.

Commercial transportation remains the preferred shipping method.

Statutory requirements retained in the RFO FAR Part 47 model deviation include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- 10 U.S.C. § 2631, Preference for United States Vessels in Transporting Supplies by Sea
- 22 U.S.C. § 2353, Shipping on United States Vessels
- 46 U.S.C. § 55305, Cargoes Procured, Furnished, or Financed by the United States Government
- 49 U.S.C. § 10721 and § 13712, Interstate Commerce Act
- 49 U.S.C. § 40118, Government-Financed Air Transportation

Change	Description
Retained	All Subparts are retained, reorganized, and streamlined to improve flow
	and remove procedural guidance.
	○ Subpart 47.1 - General
	<ul> <li>Subpart 47.2 - Contracts for Transportation or for Transportation-</li> </ul>
	Related Services
	<ul> <li>Subpart 47.3 - Transportation in Supply Contracts</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Subpart 47.4 - Air Transportation by U.SFlag Carriers</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Subpart 47.5 - Ocean Transportation by U.SFlag Vessels flow and</li> </ul>
	remove procedural guidance
	<ul> <li>Information that guides the part such as the "Scope of Part",</li> </ul>
	"Definitions", "Applicability", and "Policies" are retained and streamlined (see 47.000 through 47.101).
	Section 47.104, "Government Rate Tenders Under Sections 10721 and
	13712 of the Interstate Commerce Act (49 U.S.C. 10721 and 13712)", and
	its subsections, are retained with plain language edits, as they provide
	guidance on how to implement the statute.
	The following provisions and clauses are retained (or remain reserved)
	with no changes to text:
	<ul> <li>52.247-1 Commercial Bill of Lading Notations</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>52.247-2 Permits, Authorities, or Franchises</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>52.247-5 Familiarization With Conditions</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>52.247-8 Estimated Weights or Quantities Not Guaranteed</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>52.247-10 Net Weight—General Freight</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>52.247-11 Net Weight—Household Goods or Office Furniture</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>52.247-13 Accessorial Services—Moving Contracts</li> </ul>
	o 52.247-15 Contractor Responsibility for Loading and Unloading
	o 52.247-17 Charges
	o 52.247-18 Multiple Shipments
	o 52.247-19 Stopping in Transit for Partial Unloading
	<ul> <li>52.247-21 Contractor Liability for Personal Injury and/or Property</li> <li>Damage</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>52.247-22 Contractor Liability for Loss of and/or Damage to Freight</li> </ul>
	Other Than Household Goods
	<ul> <li>52.247-23 Contractor Liability for Loss of and/or Damage to Household</li> </ul>
	Goods
	○ 52.247-29 F.o.b. Origin ○ 52.247-30 F.o.b. Origin, Contractor's Facility
	o 52.247-31 F.o.b. Origin, Freight Allowed

	<ul> <li>52.247-32 F.o.b. Origin, Freight Prepaid</li> <li>52.247-33 F.o.b. Origin, With Differentials</li> <li>52.247-34 F.o.b. Destination</li> <li>52.247-35 F.o.b. Destination, Within Consignee's Premises</li> <li>52.247-36 F.a.s. Vessel, Port of Shipment</li> <li>52.247-37 F.o.b. Vessel, Port of Shipment</li> <li>52.247-38 F.o.b. Inland Carrier, Point of Exportation</li> <li>52.247-39 F.o.b. Inland Point, Country of Importation</li> <li>52.247-48 F.o.b. Destination—Evidence of Shipment</li> <li>52.247-53 Freight Classification Description</li> <li>52.247-54 remains reserved o 52.247-56 Transit Arrangements</li> <li>52.247-58 Loading, Blocking, and Bracing of Freight Car Shipments</li> <li>52.247-63 Preference for U.SFlag Air Carriers</li> <li>52.247-67 Submission of Transportation Documents for Audit</li> <li>52.247-69 Report of Shipment (REPSHIP)</li> <li>52.247-69 Reporting Requirement for U.SFlag Air Carriers Regarding Training to Prevent Human Trafficking</li> </ul>
Moved / Updated	<ul> <li>Section 47.102, "Transportation Insurance", is deleted and marked reserved. Content is expected to be moved to the FAR Companion.</li> <li>Section 47.103-1, addressing "Transportation Payment and Audit Regulation", is updated from five paragraphs that detailed where and how to send paid freight bills to the General Services Administration (GSA) for audit, to a single sentence that states the statutory requirement for a prepayment audit program and directs users to 41 CFR Part 102-118 for details.</li> <li>Section 47.105, "Transportation Assistance", is deleted and marked reserved. Content is expected to be moved to the FAR Companion.</li> <li>Subsection 47.301-2, "Participation of Transportation Officers", is deleted and marked reserved. Content is expected to be moved to the FAR Companion.</li> <li>In subsections 47.303-1 through 47.303-11, paragraph (b) of each subsection, titled "Contractor Responsibilities", is moved to the corresponding contract clause.</li> <li>The following clauses are updated. Updates are primarily for clarity and cross-referencing corrections.</li> <li>52.247-52 Clearance and Documentation Requirements— Shipments to DOD Air or Water Terminal Transshipment Points</li> <li>52.247-64 Preference for Privately Owned U.SFlag Commercial Vessels</li> </ul>
Removed	<ul> <li>The following sections were deleted because the content was duplicative of general service contracting principles already established in other parts of the FAR or other regulations:</li> <li>Section 47.202, "Presolicitation Planning"</li> </ul>

- Section 47.205, "Availability of Term Contracts and Basic Ordering Agreements for Transportation or for Transportation-related Services"
- Section 47.206, "Preparation of Solicitations and Contracts"
- Section 47.207-2, "Duration of Contract and Time of Performance"
- Section 47.207-10, "Discrepancies Incident to Shipments"
- Subsections 47.303-12 through 47.303-17 are deleted as they are unnecessary. The Subsections defined the following terms:
  - o Ex dock, pier, or warehouse, port of importation
  - o C.& f. destination
  - o C.i.f. destination
  - o F.o.b. designated air carrier's terminal, point of exportation
  - o F.o.b. designated air carrier's terminal, point of importation
- The following provisions and clauses are removed as they are not required by statute or essential to sound procurement:
  - 52.247-3 Capability To Perform a Contract for the Relocation of a Federal Office
  - o 52.247-4 Inspection of Shipping and Receiving Facilities
  - o 52.247-6 Financial Statement
  - o 52.247-7 Freight Excluded
  - o 52.247-9 Agreed Weight—General Freight
  - o 52.247-12 Supervision, Labor, or Materials
  - o 52.247-14 Contractor Responsibility for Receipt of Shipment
  - o 52.247-16 Contractor Responsibility for Returning Undelivered Freight
  - o 52.247-20 Estimated Quantities or Weights for Evaluation of Offers
  - 52.247-24 Advance Notification by the Government
  - o 52.247-25 Government-Furnished Equipment With or Without Operator
  - 52.247-26 Government Direction and Marking
  - o 52.247-27 Contract Not Affected by Oral Agreement
  - o 52.247-28 Contractor's Invoices
  - o 52.247-40 Ex Dock, Pier, or Warehouse, Port of Importation
  - o 52.247-41 C.& f. Destination
  - o 52.247-42 C.i.f. Destination
  - o 52.247-43 F.o.b. Designated Air Carrier's Terminal, Point of Exportation
  - o 52.247-44 F.o.b. Designated Air Carrier's Terminal, Point of Importation
  - o 52.247-45 F.o.b. Origin and/or F.o.b. Destination Evaluation
  - o 52.247-46 Shipping Point(s) Used in Evaluation of F.o.b. Origin Offers
  - o 52.247-47 Evaluation—F.o.b. Origin
  - 52.247-49 Destination Unknown Contractor-prepaid commercial bills of lading, small package shipments
  - o 52.247-50 No Evaluation of Transportation Costs
  - 52.247-51 Evaluation of Export Offers
  - o 52.247-55 F.o.b. Point for Delivery of Government-Furnished Property
  - 52.247-57 Transportation Transit Privilege Credits
  - o 52.247-59 F.o.b. Origin—Carload and Truckload Shipments
  - 52.247-60 Guaranteed Shipping Characteristics
  - o 52.247-61 F.o.b. Origin—Minimum Size of Shipments
  - o 52.247-62 Specific Quantities Unknown

- o 52.247-65 F.o.b. Origin, Prepaid Freight—Small Package Shipments
- o 52.247-66 Returnable Cylinders

This table is not an exhaustive list.

**4.** <u>AUTHORITY</u>: This class deviation is issued under the authority of EO 14275, <u>OMB Memo M-25-26</u>, 48 CFR 1.4, and RFO FAR 1.304.

## 5. GUIDANCE:

- Adopt RFO text: Contracting Officers should no longer follow FAR Part 47 and Part 52, as
  codified at 48 CFR chapter 1. The Council's RFO Part 47 and corresponding Part 52 model
  deviation text is available at <a href="Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul">Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul</a>, and is incorporated into this
  class deviation.
- **New actions:** For new solicitations or contracts, when using any provisions or clauses that have been revised, utilize the RFO model deviation language at RFO FAR Part 52.
- In-process awards: For open solicitations or awarded contracts, contracting officers have discretion to enforce or amend the provisions/clauses. Where prior provisions/clauses were removed, ensure any affected requirements are separately addressed in the contract and documented in the file.
- Local implementation: Contracting activities must review and update templates and standard operating procedures (SOPs) to align with this class deviation and remove unnecessary steps.
- **6. EFFECTIVE DATE**: This class deviation is effective immediately and remains in effect until rescinded or incorporated into the FAR.
- **7.** <u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>: The point of contact for this AB is Mr. Steve Kvalevog, who can be reached at <u>Steven.Kvalevog@treasury.gov.</u>