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SUBJECT: Class Deviation No. 2026-02 from the Federal Acquisition Regulation for FAR Part 24 in Support of Executive Order 14275 on Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement

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TO: Department of Transportation Chiefs of the Contracting Offices

- I. Purpose:** This class deviation (CD) is issued under Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) part 1 and Transportation Acquisition Regulation (TAR) part 1201 and authorizes a class deviation to FAR part 24 for purposes of implementing the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council's (the Council's) model deviation text to FAR part 24.
- II. Effective Date:** Immediately.
- III. Background:** On April 15, 2025, [Executive Order \(E.O.\) 14275 on Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement](#) was signed. Section 2 of the E.O. 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- Remove duplicative or outdated language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.

FAR part 24, Protection of Privacy and Freedom of Information, has been retained with minimal deletions and minor updates made for plain language. No changes were made to provisions or clauses.

The only change of note is section 24.301 is deleted. This section outlined requirements for contractors to provide their employees with privacy training. The content is duplicative as it is already covered in clause 52.224-3.

Statutory requirements and executive directives retained in the RFO FAR part 24 model deviation include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, Freedom of Information Act
- 5 U.S.C. § 552a (Pub. L. 93-579), Privacy Act of 1974
- 5 U.S.C. § 574, Confidentiality
- 10 U.S.C. § 3309 and 41 U.S.C. § 4702, Prohibition on Release of Contractor Proposals
- 10 U.S.C. § 3705 and 41 U.S.C. § 3505, Submission of Other Information
- OMB Circular No. A-130, Managing Information as a Strategic Resource

IV. Required Actions: All DOT Operating Administrations (OAs), the Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST), and the Office of the Inspector General (OIG), excluding the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) per RFO TAR 1201.104(d) shall follow the [RFO FAR part 24 model deviation text](#) instead of FAR part 24 as codified at 48 CFR chapter 1. The Council's RFO FAR part 24 model deviation text is available at [Acquisition.gov/far-overhaul](https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul) and is incorporated by reference into this CD. A line-out version of the changes may also be found [here](#) for reference.

Heads of the Contracting Activities (HCAs) must ensure this deviation is disseminated to the acquisition workforce and ensure compliance with the requirements in the revised FAR part 24 guidance.

- V. Applicability:** This CD applies to all DOT OAs, OST, and OIG, excluding the FAA in accordance with TAR 1201.104(d).
- VI. Expiration Date:** This CD will remain in effect until it is incorporated into the FAR or is otherwise rescinded, whichever occurs first.
- VII. Point of Contact:** Questions or comments regarding this deviation may be directed to DOTAcquisitionPolicy@dot.gov.