§ 1212.703 Headquarters and Field or Component Installations.

(a) Officials-in-Charge of Headquarters Offices, Directors of NASA Field Installations and Officials-in-Charge of Component Installations are responsible for the following with respect to those systems of records maintained in their organization:

1. Avoiding the establishment of new systems of records or new routine uses of a system of records without first complying with the requirements of this regulation;

2. Ensuring that the requirements of this regulation and the Privacy Act are followed by employees;

3. Ensuring that there is appropriate coordination within NASA before a determination is made to disclose information without the individual’s consent under authority of 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) (See § 1212.203(g)); and

4. Providing appropriate oversight for responsibilities and authorities exercised by system managers under their jurisdiction (§ 1212.704).

(b) Directors of NASA Field Installations and Officials-in-Charge of Component Installations or designees may establish a position of installation Privacy Officer to assist in carrying out the responsibilities listed in paragraph (a) of this section.

§ 1212.704 System manager.

(a) Each system manager is responsible for the following with regard to the system of records over which the system manager has cognizance:

1. Overall compliance with the “Privacy Act—NASA Regulations” (NASA Management Instruction (NMI) 1382.17) and the Computer Matching Program (NMI 1382.18);

2. Ensuring that each person involved in the design, development, operation, or maintenance of the system of records is instructed with respect to the requirements of this regulation and the possible penalties for noncompliance;

3. Submitting a request to the Assistant Deputy Administrator for an exemption of the system under subpart 1212.5 of this part, setting forth in proposed rulemaking form the reasons for the exemption and citing the specific provision of the Privacy Act which is believed to authorize the exemption;

4. After consultation with the Office of the General Counsel or the Chief Counsel, making reasonable efforts to serve notice on an individual when any record on such individual is made available to any person under compulsory legal process when such process becomes a matter of public record;

5. Making an initial determination on an individual’s request to correct or amend a record, in accordance with § 1212.302;

6. Prior to disclosure of any record about an individual, assuring that the record is first reviewed for accuracy, completeness, timeliness, and relevance;

7. Authorizing disclosures of a record without the individual’s consent under § 1212.203(g) (1) through (12);

8. Responding within the requirements of § 1212.200 to an individual’s request for information as to whether the system contains a record pertaining to the individual;

9. Responding to an individual’s request for access and copying of a record, in accordance with subpart 1212.2 of this part;

10. Amending a record under subpart 1212.3 of this part, or filing in an individual’s record a statement of dispute;

11. Preparing an addendum to an individual’s statement of dispute to be filed in the individual’s records, in accordance with § 1212.401;

12. Maintaining disclosure accountings in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(c) and 14 CFR 1212.203. This includes records disclosed pursuant to any computer matching programs;

13. Notifying persons to whom a record has been disclosed and for which an accounting was made as to disputes and corrections involving the record; and

14. Developing appropriate safeguards for the system of records in accordance with § 1212.605(a).

(b) Where a system of records has subsystems described in the system notice, the subsystem manager will have the responsibilities outlined in paragraph (a) of this section. Although the system manager has no line authority over subsystem managers, the system manager does have overall functional
Responsibility for the total system, and may issue guidance to subsystem managers on implementation of this part. When furnishing information for required reports, the system manager will be responsible for reporting the entire system of records, including any subsystems.

(c) Exercise of the responsibilities and authorities in paragraph (a) of this section by any system or subsystem managers at a NASA Installation shall be subject to any conditions or limitations imposed in accordance with §1212.703 (a)(4) and (b).

§ 1212.705 Assistant Administrator for Procurement.

The Assistant Administrator for Procurement is responsible for developing appropriate procurement regulations and procedures under which NASA contracts requiring the maintenance of a system of records in order to accomplish a NASA function are made subject to the requirements of this part.

§ 1212.706 Delegation of authority.

Authority necessary to carry out the responsibilities specified in this regulation is delegated to the officials named, subject to any conditions or limitations imposed in accordance with this subpart 1212.7.

Subpart 1212.8—Failure To Comply With Requirements of This Part

§ 1212.800 Civil remedies.

Failure to comply with the requirements of the Privacy Act and this part could subject NASA to civil suit under the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552a(g).

§ 1212.801 Criminal penalties.

(a) A NASA officer or employee may be subject to criminal penalties under the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552a(i) (1) and (2).

(1) Section 552a(i)(1). Any officer or employee of an agency, who by virtue of employment or official position, has possession of, or access to, agency records which contain individually identifiable information the disclosure of which is prohibited by this section or by rules or regulations established thereunder, and who knowing that disclosure of the specific material is so prohibited, willfully discloses the material in any manner to any person or agency not entitled to receive it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than $5,000.

(2) Section 552a(i)(2). Any officer or employee of any agency who willfully maintains a system of records without meeting the notice requirements of subsection (e)(4) of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than $5,000.

(3) These two provisions apply to NASA civil service employees as well as those employees of a NASA contractor with responsibilities for maintaining a Privacy Act system of records.

(b) Section 552a(i)(3). Any person who knowingly and willfully requests or obtains any record concerning an individual from an agency under false pretenses shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than $5,000.

PART 1213—RELEASE OF INFORMATION TO NEWS AND INFORMATION MEDIA

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§ 1213.100 Scope.

This part sets forth policy governing the release of public information, which is defined as information in any form provided to news and information media, especially information that has the potential to generate significant media or public interest or inquiry. Examples include, but are not limited to,