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not specify in solicitations or advertisements for employees to work on Government contracts, a maximum age limit for employment unless the specified maximum age limit is based upon a bona fide occupational qualification, retirement plan, or statutory requirement.

(c) Agencies will bring this policy to the attention of contractors. The use of contract clauses is not required.

22.902 Handling complaints.

Agencies shall bring complaints regarding a contractor’s compliance with this policy to that contractor’s attention (in writing, if appropriate), stating the policy, indicating that the contractor’s compliance has been questioned, and requesting that the contractor take any appropriate steps that may be necessary to comply.

Subpart 22.10—Service Contract Act of 1965, as Amended

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22.1000 Scope of subpart.


22.1001 Definitions.

As used in this subpart—


Agency labor advisor means an individual responsible for advising contracting agency officials on Federal contract labor matters.

Contractor includes a subcontractor at any tier whose subcontract is subject to the provisions of the Act.

Multiple year contracts means contracts having a term of more than 1 year regardless of fiscal year funding. The term includes multi-year contracts (see 17.103).

Service contract means any Government contract, the principal purpose of which is to furnish services in the United States through the use of service employees, except as exempted under section 7 of the Act (41 U.S.C. 356; see 22.1003–3 and 22.1003–4), or any subcontract at any tier thereunder. See 22.1003–5 and 29 CFR 4.130 for a partial list of services covered by the Act.

Service employee means any person engaged in the performance of a service contract other than any person employed in a bona fide executive, administrative, or professional capacity, as those terms are defined in part 541 of title 29, Code of Federal Regulations. The term service employee includes all such persons regardless of any contractual relationship that may be alleged to exist between a contractor or subcontractor and such persons.

United States means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Johnston Island, Wake Island, and Outer Continental Shelf lands as defined in the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331, et seq.,) but does not include any other place subject to U.S. jurisdiction or any U.S. base or possession in a foreign country (29 CFR 4.112).

Wage and Hour Division means the unit in the Employment Standards Administration of the Department of Labor to which is assigned functions of the Secretary of Labor under the Act.

Wage determination means a determination of minimum wages or fringe benefits made under sections 2(a) or 4(c) of the Act (41 U.S.C. 351(a) or 353(c)) applicable to the employment in a given locality of one or more classes of service employees.


22.1002 Statutory requirements.

22.1002–1 General.

Service contracts over $2,500 shall contain mandatory provisions regarding minimum wages and fringe benefits, safe and sanitary working conditions, notification to employees of the