§ 52b.11 What are the requirements for acquisition and modernization of existing facilities?

Grant awards for the acquisition and modernization of existing facilities are permitted if authorized by the statutes authorizing the construction grant program and shall be subject to the requirements of this section.

(a) Minimum standards of construction and equipment. A determination by the Director that the facility conforms (or upon completion of any necessary construction will conform) to the minimum standards of construction and equipment as set forth in § 52b.12 shall be obtained before entering into a final or unconditional contract for the acquisition and/or modernization of facilities. Where the Director finds that exceptions to or modifications of these minimum standards would be consistent with the purposes of the applicable section of the Act under which the acquisition or modernization is supported, the Director may authorize the exceptions or modifications.

(b) Estimated cost of acquisition and remodeling: suitability of facility. Each application for a project involving the acquisition of existing facilities shall include in the detailed estimates of the costs of the project, the cost of acquiring the facilities, and any cost of remodeling, renovating or altering the facilities to serve the purposes for which they are acquired. The application shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Director that the architectural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, structural, and other pertinent features of the facility, as modified by any proposed expansion, remodeling, renovation, or alteration, will be suitable for the purposes of the applicable sections of the Act.

(c) Bona fide sale. Grant awards for the acquisition of existing facilities shall be subject to the condition that the acquisition constitutes a bona fide sale involving an actual cost to the applicant and will result in additional or improved facilities for purposes of the applicable provisions of the Act.

(d) Facility previously funded by a federal grant. No grant for the acquisition or modernization of a facility which has previously been funded in whole or in part by a federal grant for construction, acquisition, or equipment shall serve either to reduce or restrict the liability of the applicant or any other transferor or transferee from any obligation of accountability imposed by the Federal Government by reason of the prior grant.

§ 52b.12 What are the minimum requirements of construction and equipment?

(a) General. In addition to being subject to other laws, regulations, executive orders, and policies referred to in
§52b.14, the standards set forth in this section have been determined by the Director to constitute minimum requirements of construction and equipment, including the expansion, remodeling, renovation, or alteration of existing buildings, and these standards, as may be amended, or any revisions or successors of these standards, shall apply to all projects for which federal assistance is requested under this part. The publications referenced in this section are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of the regulations in this part.

(b) Incorporation by reference. The Director of the Federal Register approves the incorporations by reference in paragraph (c) of this section in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(1) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may also be obtained from the organizations at the addresses listed in paragraph (c) of this section. Copies may be inspected at the National Cancer Institute, Executive Plaza North, Room 539, 6130 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852 (telephone 301–496–8534; not a toll-free number); the National Center for Research Services, Building 31, Room 3B11, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892 (telephone 301–496–5793; not a toll-free number); and at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202–741–6030, or go to: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html. The Director may for good cause shown, approve plans and specifications which contain deviations from the requirements prescribed in paragraph (c) of this section, if the Director is satisfied that the purposes of the requirements have been fulfilled. In addition to these requirements, each project shall meet the requirements of the applicable state and local codes and ordinances relating to construction.

(c) Design and construction standards. The facility shall comply with the following mandatory design and construction standards:


(7) The following material is available for purchase from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), 11 Tracy Drive, Avon, MA 02322–9908 (telephone 617–770–3000 or 1–800–733–0100):


(8) NSF Standard No. 49 for Class II (Laminar Flow) Biohazard Cabinetry (1992). National Sanitation Foundation
§ 52b.13 Additional conditions.

The Director may with respect to any grant award impose additional conditions consistent with the regulations of this part prior to or at the time of any award when in the Director’s judgment the conditions are necessary to assure or protect advancement of the approved project, the purposes of the applicable provisions of the Act, or the conservation of grant funds.

§ 52b.14 Other federal laws, regulations, executive orders, and policies that apply.

Other federal laws, regulations, executive orders, and policies apply to grants under this part. These include, but are not necessarily limited to:

(a) Laws.

An Act to Provide for the Preservation of Historical and Archeological Data (and other purposes), as amended (16 U.S.C. 469 et seq.).

Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4151 et seq.).

Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7701 et seq.).


Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 300f et seq.).

(b) Regulations.


29 CFR 1910.1490—Occupational exposure to hazardous chemicals in laboratories.

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