§ 101–30.702 Determining item reduction potential.

Item reduction studies are required where there are large numbers of generally similar items which are subject to grouping and examination by item name, item name modifiers, or other characteristics such as sizes, grades, lengths, and materials. Before conducting a full scale item reduction study, the assignee activity shall determine whether sufficient item reduction potential appears to exist. Item reduction studies shall be undertaken only when the expected benefits outweigh the costs of performing the study.

§ 101–30.703 Program objectives.

The objective of the item reduction program is to reduce the varieties and sizes of similar items in the Government supply system by:

(a) Implementing a coordinated item reduction process among supply managers of using activities;

(b) Standardizing items of supply used by the Government;

(c) Ensuring that all participants in item reduction studies give priority to controlling and completing item reduction studies;

(d) Promptly recording decisions in the Federal catalog system data base; and

(e) Phasing out of the Government supply system those items identified in item reduction studies as not authorized for procurement to reduce cataloging, supply management, and warehousing costs; then following through to eliminate the items from agency catalog systems.