1301.105–2 Arrangement of regulations.

(a) General. The CAR is divided into the same parts, subparts, sections, and subsections as the FAR.

(b) Numbering. If the DOC does not have supplemental regulations there will be no corresponding coverage in the CAR, and there will be gaps in the CAR numbering system.

1301.105–3 Copies.

(a) Copies of the CAR in Federal Register or CFR form may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

(b) The CAR is available online at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Acquisition Management Web site (http://oam.ocs.doc.gov).

Subpart 1301.3—Agency Acquisition Regulations

1301.301 Policy.

(a) The designee authorized to prescribe the CAR is set forth in the Commerce Acquisition Manual (CAM) 1301.70.

(b) The DOC internal operating guidance and procedures are contained in the CAM and other policy guidance documents issued by the Procurement Executive relating to acquisitions. The DOC Contracting Offices may issue additional guidance and procedures.

1301.303 Publication and codification.

(a) The CAR parallels the FAR in format, arrangement and numbering system. Coverage within the CAR is identified by the prefix “13” or “130” followed by the complete FAR citation to the subsection level (e.g., CAR coverage of FAR 1.602–1 is cited as 1301.602–1).

(b) Supplementary material without a FAR counterpart will be codified using 70 and up as appropriate for the part, subpart, section, or subsection number (e.g., part 1370, subpart 1301.70, section 1301.370 or subsection 1301.301–70).

1301.304 Agency control and compliance procedures.

Operating unit counsel shall limit issuance of directives that restrain the flexibilities found in the FAR.

Subpart 1301.4—Deviations From the FAR

1301.403 Individual deviations.

The designee authorized to approve individual deviations from the FAR is set forth in CAM 1301.70.

1301.404 Class deviations.

The designee authorized to approve class deviations from the FAR is set forth in CAM 1301.70.

Subpart 1301.6—Career Development, Contracting Authority, and Responsibilities

1301.601 General.

The agency head for procurement matters is the Chief Financial Officer/Assistant Secretary for Administration (CFO/ASA), unless prohibited by statute. The authority for agency head for procurement matters is delegated to the Procurement Executive as the authority to establish lines of contracting authority within DOC and to implement policies and procedures related to the acquisition process. Specific contracting authorities are set forth in CAM 1301.70.

1301.602 Contracting officers.

1301.602–1 Authority.

In accordance with CAM 1301.70, only individuals who have been certified as contracting officers through issuance of a Certificate of Appointment by the Senior Bureau Procurement Official may exercise the authority of DOC contracting officers. In addition to the authority to enter into, administer, and terminate contracts, contracting officers have been delegated certain functions as set out in appendix A to CAM 1301.70.


Insert clause 1352.201–70, Contracting Officer’s Authority, in all solicitations and contracts.