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§ 5.1 Publication policy.

(a) Pursuant to chapter 15 of title 44, United States Code, and this chapter, the Director of the Federal Register shall publish a serial publication called the FEDERAL REGISTER to contain the following:

(1) Executive orders, proclamations, and other Presidential documents.
(2) Documents required to be published therein by law.
(3) Documents accepted for publication under §5.3.
(b) Each document required or authorized to be filed for publication shall be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER as promptly as possible, within limitations imposed by considerations of accuracy, usability, and reasonable costs.
(c) In prescribing regulations governing headings, preambles, effective dates, authority citations, and similar matters of form, the Administrative Committee does not intend to affect the validity of any document that is filed and published under law.

§ 5.2 Documents required to be filed for public inspection and published.

The following documents are required to be filed for public inspection with the Office of the Federal Register and published in the FEDERAL REGISTER:

(a) Presidential proclamations and Executive orders in the numbered series, and each other document that the President submits for publication or orders to be published.
(b) Each document or class of documents required to be published by act of Congress.
(c) Each document having general applicability and legal effect.


§ 5.3 Publication of other documents.

Whenever the Director of the Federal Register considers that publication of a document not covered by §5.2 would be in the public interest, the Director may allow that document to be filed for public inspection with the Office of the Federal Register and published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.


§ 5.4 Publication not authorized.

(a) Chapter 15 of title 44, United States Code, does not apply to treaties, conventions, protocols, or other international agreements, or proclamations thereof by the President.
(b) Chapter 15 of title 44, United States Code, prohibits the publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER of comments or news items.
(c) The Director of the Federal Register may not accept any document for filing and publication unless it is the official action of the agency concerned.


§ 5.5 Supplement to the Code of Federal Regulations.

The FEDERAL REGISTER serves as a daily supplement to the Code of Federal Regulations. Each document that is subject to codification and published in a daily issue shall be keyed to the Code of Federal Regulations.