

**B. Regulatory Flexibility Act**

The final rule does not constitute a significant revision within the meaning of FAR 1.501 and Public Law 98-577 and publication for public comment is not required. However, comments from small entities concerning the affected DFARS subparts will be considered in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 610. Such comments should cite DFARS Case 97-D016.

**C. Paperwork Reduction Act**

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the final rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 201 and 230**

Government procurement.

**Michele P. Peterson,**

*Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.*

Therefore, 48 CFR Parts 201 and 230 are amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Parts 201 and 230 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

**PART 201—FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATIONS SYSTEM**

2. Section 201.402 is amended by revising paragraph (1) introductory text and paragraph (1)(i); and in paragraph (3)(iii) by removing the period at the end and adding a semicolon in its place. The revised text reads as follows:

**201.402 Policy.**

(1) The Director of Defense Procurement, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), USD(A&T)DP, is the approval authority within DoD for—

(i) Any individual deviation from—

(A) FAR 3.104, Procurement Integrity, or DFARS 203.104, Procurement Integrity;

(B) FAR Subpart 27.4, Rights in Data and Copyrights, or DFARS Subpart 227.4, Rights in Data and Copyrights;

(C) FAR Part 30, Cost Accounting Standards Administration, or DFARS Part 230, Cost Accounting Standards Administration;

(D) FAR Subpart 31.1, Applicability, or DFARS Subpart 231.1, Applicability (contract cost principles);

(E) FAR Subpart 31.2, Contracts with Commercial Organizations, or DFARS Subpart 231.2, Contracts with Commercial Organizations; or

(F) FAR Part 32, Contract Financing (except Subparts 32.7 and 32.8 and the payment clauses prescribed by Subpart 32.1), or DFARS Part 232, Contract Financing (except Subparts 232.7 and 232.8).

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**PART 230—COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION**

3. The heading of Part 230 is revised to read as set forth above.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****48 CFR Parts 211 and 253**

[DFARS Case 98-D022]

**Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Specifications and Standards Requisition**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Director of Defense Procurement has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to remove references to an obsolete form that formerly was used for ordering specifications and standards.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 23, 1999.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****A. Background**

This final rule amends DFARS 211.201 and Part 253 to remove references to DD Form 1425, Specifications and Standards Requisition, which is now obsolete. The rule also updates the address for submission of requests to purchase specifications and standards.

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**C. Paperwork Reduction Act**

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the final rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 211 and 253**

Government procurement.

**Michele P. Peterson,**

*Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.*

Therefore, 48 CFR Parts 211 and 253 are amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Parts 211 and 253 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

**PART 211—DESCRIBING AGENCY NEEDS**

2. Section 211.201 is amended in paragraph (b) by removing the word “which” and adding in its place the word “that”, and by revising the introductory text of paragraph (d) to read as follows:

**211.201 Identification and availability of specifications.**

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(d) The AMSDL, all unclassified specifications and standards listed in the DoDISS, and data item descriptions listed in the AMSDL also may be purchased from the Department of Defense Single Stock Point (DoDSSP), Building 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094. Include with the request—

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**PART 253—FORMS**

3. The note at the end of Part 253 is amended by removing the entry “243.303-1425 Specifications and Standards Requisition.”.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****48 CFR Parts 212, 225, and 252**

[DFARS Case 98-D305]

**Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; People's Republic of China**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Interim rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Director of Defense Procurement has issued an interim rule