



Federal Rulemaking Research Tool

This tool is an accumulation of questions that might be asked during the research of an acquisition Rule or Rule change proposal. These questions can help a researcher understand the scope and complexity of the proposal. Most information can be found in the Federal Register but other sources may be more elusive with respect to a research resource. Please see the course resources for more information.

Attempt to complete the Proposed Rule Research Tool and answer the questions below:

- **What is the Rule?**
 - FAR or Supplement
 - What is the affected section and subsection (i.e. FAR Part 6.102)
- **Who proposed the rule or change?**
 - Agency, OFPP, individual, Congressional representation, etc.
- **What were the stimuli for the change?**
 - Legislative action, acquisition environmental change, technology drive change or other
- **What is the scope of the rule or change?**
 - Intent
 - FAR or supplement, sentence, paragraph, section, scope, applicability, limitations, etc.
 - Permanent or interim
- **Who are the stakeholders?**
 - Government, industry, public/taxpayer, international organization/foreign government
- **What are the issues involved?**
 - Legal, economic, political or social
 - You and or your agency, organization or group
- **What are the advantages and or disadvantages and for whom?**
- **What are the estimated costs of the rule or change?**
 - To the government, industry, taxpayer, customers or special interests
- **What, if any, are the time considerations?**
 - Future events: deadlines, sunsets, extensions
 - Past events: retro activation, exclusions, limitations
- **What is the expected effect of the rule or change?**
- **What are other possible related matters?**
 - Small business, competition, environmental, buy American