



Federal Rulemaking Resources List

The following is a list of resources to assist the acquisition workforce with the support of acquisition related rulemaking and the preparation of comments during the process. Some of the resources may require membership that is not available to all acquisition workforce members. The teaming of diverse groups of the acquisition career fields may be an effective counter to the membership barrier. Also, agency and or organizations may recognize the benefit of funding the membership of active participants in the rulemaking process.

Federal Rulemaking Links

Federal Register: <https://www.federalregister.gov/>

- About Public Inspection: <https://www.federalregister.gov/reader-aids/using-federalregister-gov/understanding-public-inspection>
- Commenting on Federal Register Documents: <https://www.federalregister.gov/reader-aids/using-federalregister-gov/the-public-commenting-process>
- Search Tips and Techniques: <https://www.federalregister.gov/reader-aids/using-federalregister-gov/advanced-search-tips-and-techniques>
- Videos & Tutorials: <https://www.federalregister.gov/reader-aids/videos-tutorials>
- Office of the Federal Register Blog: <https://www.federalregister.gov/reader-aids/office-of-the-federal-register-blog>

Regulations.gov: <https://www.regulations.gov/#!/home>

- Advanced Search: <https://www.regulations.gov/#!/advancedSearch>
- Browse Regulations: <https://www.regulations.gov/#!/home;tab=browse>
- How to Use Regulations.gov: <https://www.regulations.gov/#!/help>
- Regulatory Process: <https://www.regulations.gov/#!/home;tab=learn>
- Example Site:
<http://www.regulations.gov/#!/docketBrowser;rpp=100;so=DESC;sb=docId;po=0;dct=PS;D=EERE-2013-BT-STD-0051>

Reginfo.gov: <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/jsp/Utilities/faq.jsp>

- Dashboard: <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/jsp/Utilities/index.jsp>
- Graphical illustration of the rulemaking process:
<http://www.reginfo.gov/public/reginfo/Regmap/index.jsp>
- Using the Reg Map: http://www.reginfo.gov/public/reginfo/Regmap/regmap_using.jsp

Administration Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. Chapter 5):

<http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/laws/administrative-procedure/>

Regulatory Agenda:

<https://resources.regulations.gov/public/component/main?main=UnifiedAgenda>

Electronic Code of Federal Regulations: <http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?page=browse>



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Federal Digital System: <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/>

Access to government regulations, laws and congressional documents

Congressional Links

Thomas Library of Congress Search: <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/thomas.php>

Search Bill status, public laws, and other congressional information

Office of the Clerk US House of Representatives: <http://clerk.house.gov/index.aspx>

OMB Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs:

<http://www.reginfo.gov/public/jsp/EO/eoDashboard.jsp>

Regulations.gov: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!home>

Virtual Acquisition Office/ASI Government (paid subscription required):

<https://www.gotovao.com/index.cfm>

Research Regulatory Journals:

- [Administrative and Regulatory Law News](#) (free access to past issues)
- [Constitutional Law Prof Blog](#)
- [Federal Regulations Advisor](#)
- [Focus on Regulation](#)
- [Jotwell Administrative Law](#)
- [Notice and Comment \(ABA Administrative Law Section\)](#)
- [OMB Papers on Centralized Regulatory Review \(Center for Regulatory Effectiveness\)](#)
- [RegBlog \(Penn Program on Regulation\)](#)
- [Regulation & Governance](#) (free access as of March 2011)
- [U.S. Coast Guard Proceedings, Spring 2010](#)
- [Ask a Librarian: Government Information Online](#)
- [A Research Guide to the Federal Register and the Code of Federal Regulations](#)
- [CALI Guide to the Code of Federal Regulations \(Text and Audio\)](#)

Where in Federal Contracting (WIFCON): <http://www.wifcon.com/>

Provides access to protests, audits, legislation, regulations and cases.

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) GSA: <https://www.acquisition.gov/?q=browsefar>

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Hill Air Force Base: <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/>

Federal Acquisition Circulars (FAC): https://www.acquisition.gov/?q=far_looseleaf



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Rule/Change Proposals and Comments

Guidelines to Standardize Measures of Costs and Benefits and the Format of:

- Accounting Statements: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/assets/omb/memoranda/m00-08.pdf>
- Memoranda 01-23 (Improving Regulatory Impact Analyses): https://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/memoranda_m01-23/
- M-03-21, OMB Circular No. A-4, "Regulatory Analysis": https://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/memoranda_m03-21/
- FAR Drafting Guide (Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy): <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/docs/FAR%20Drafting%20Guide--April%2030,%202011.pdf>
- Document Drafting Handbook (IBR HANDBOOK): <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/write/handbook/ibr.pdf>
- Final Guidance on Implementing the Plain Writing Act of 2010 (Memo): <https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/memoranda/2011/m11-15.pdf>
- Federal Register Plain Language Tools: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/write/plain-language/index.html>
- PlainLanguage.gov: <http://www.plainlanguage.gov/>
- Thesaurus of Indexing Terms: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/thesaurus.html>
- Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Subject Lis: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/subjects.html>

Review of Historical Context

Economic:

- World - 1984 Economic Statistics and Indicators: <http://www.economywatch.com/economic-statistics/year/1984/>
- US - 1984 US Economy / Prices: <http://www.1980sflashback.com/1984/Economy.asp>

Political:

- 1984 World History: <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0005266.html>
- U.S. History: <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0873870.html>

Social:

- 1984 US News Highlights: <http://www.1980sflashback.com/1984/News.asp>
- 1984 US Potpourri: <http://www.1980sflashback.com/1984/Potpourri.asp>



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CICA text:

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/search/pagedetails.action?collectionCode=CFR&searchPath=Title+41%2FSubtitle+C%2FChapter+102%2FSubchapter+A&granuleId=CFR-2011-title41-vol3-part102-id900-subpartB-subjectgroup-id927&packageId=CFR-2011-title41-vol3&oldPath=Title+41%2FSubtitle+C%2FChapter+102%2FSubchapter+C&fromPageDetails=true&collapse=true&ycord=2152>

Origins and History of Competition Requirements Federal Government Contracting (White Paper):

<https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0ahUKEwiztImymIzNAhVLeFIKHcZzC5wQFggcMAA&url=https%3A%2F%2Fm.reedsmith.com%2Ffiles%2FPublication%2F57b94443-6912-4aa3-a282-c53fd9c3d2b8%2FPresentation%2FPublicationAttachment%2F1cc5fe2c-8f8a-4422-9dff-e89005f57ecd%2FWittiePaper.pdf&usg=AFQjCNHiNNahygxvc4JxxeZdhn48Afx1Aw&sig2=LI3dIU2ZwluNBgNNydf9w&bvm=bv.123664746,d.aXo>

Overview of the Federal Procurement Process and Resources

Overview of the Federal Procurement Process and Resources:

<https://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RS22536.pdf>

Acquisition.gov: <https://www.acquisition.gov/>

Acquisition Systems: https://www.acquisition.gov/?q=Acquisition_Systems

Federal Contracting Procurement Process Overview: <http://www.wingovernmentcontracts.com/federal-government-contracting-process-overview.htm>

Frequently Asked Questions about Government Contracting:

<http://www.wingovernmentcontracts.com/frequently-asked-questions-about-government-contracting.htm>

The Federal Acquisition System: An 8-Step Primer: <http://www.crn.com/columns/channel-programs/240148428/the-federal-acquisition-system-an-8-step-primer.htm>

National Archives Reference: archives2reference@nara.gov

Library of Congress: <http://www.loc.gov/rr/askalib/ask-law.html>

US Department of Interior Library: library@ios.doi.gov

CICA Interim and Final Rule Crosswalk

See attached file with *Welcome to the Course* email.