the Federal Catalog System as prescribed in subpart 101–30.1. The Commissioner, Federal Supply Service, is authorized to publish catalogs for those items and programs for which GSA furnishes supply support to Federal agencies.

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§ 101-30.603 GSA Supply Catalog.

- (a) The GSA Supply Catalog is an illustrated catalog, published annually, which serves as the primary source to identify and order centrally managed, stocked, and issued items available from GSA supply facilities. The catalog also provides information concerning other Federal Supply Service programs and GSA services.
- (b) The GSA Supply Catalog contains all necessary information for ordering from the GSA Federal Supply Service stock program and basic information, such as:
- (1) Alphabetical Index. This index is organized alphabetically by approved item names under the basic noun name in inverted word sequence, (i.e. sofa, sleeper) with reference to the page that contains the pertinent item description.
- (2) Item Descriptions/Ordering Data. Item descriptions are listed by commodity groups in this section. Included also are descriptive and ordering data with representative illustrations for selected common-use items that are centrally managed, stocked, and issued from GSA supply facilities.
- (3) National Stock Number Index. This NSN sequenced index lists items that are centrally managed, stocked, and issued from GSA supply facilities.
- (4) Narrative. The narrative includes comprehensive detailed information to use and understand the GSA Federal Supply Service stock program.
- (5) Other Federal Supply Service sales programs and GSA services. This section provides to user agencies pertinent information regarding the use and understanding of the GSA Federal Supply Service stock program, sales program, and other GSA services.
- (c) Changes to the GSA Supply Catalog are effected by change bulletins issued during April, July, and October. These are cumulative publications that contain information pertaining to new

items, changes to supply management data, and deleted items.

(d) Special Notice to Ordering Office is issued on a nonscheduled basis as required by the Commissioner, FSS, to inform agencies of significant program changes to the GSA Supply Catalog.

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§101-30.603-1 [Reserved]

§ 101-30.603-2 GSA Supply Catalog.

The GSA Supply Catalog, published annually and updated quarterly, is an illustrated publication which serves as the primary source for identifying items and services available through the following GSA supply sources:

- (a) GSA supply distribution facilities;
- (b) Federal Supply Schedules; and
- (c) Term Contract Program.

[39 FR 37060, Oct. 17, 1974]

\$\$ 101-30.603-3—101-30.603-4 [Reserved]

$\S 101-30.603-5$ Change bulletins.

Changes to the GSA Supply Catalog are effected by quarterly cumulative publications entitled "Change Bulletin to the GSA Supply Catalog." These change bulletins will serve as the media to notify agencies of additions, deletions, and other pertinent changes occurring between the annual publication of the GSA Supply Catalog.

[38 FR 28568, Oct. 15, 1973]

§ 101-30.603-6 Special Notices.

Special Notices will be issued on a nonschedule basis to advise agencies of program changes, general information, or additions, deletions, and other pertinent changes to the GSA Supply Catalog.

[38 FR 28568, Oct. 15, 1973]

$\S 101-30.604$ Availability.

Agencies that require current copies of and desire to be placed on distribution lists to receive Federal supply catalogs and related publications shall complete GSA Form 457, FSS Publications Mailing List Application (illustrated at §101–26.4902–457), and forward the completed GSA Form 457 to General Services Administration (8BRC), Centralized Mailing Lists Services,

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Building 41, Denver Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225. Copies of GSA Form 457 may also be obtained from the above address. Periodically, the Centralized Mailing Lists Services will request information from agency offices for use in maintaining current distribution lists.

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Subpart 101–30.7—Item Reduction Program

SOURCE: 43 FR 4999, Feb. 7, 1978, unless otherwise noted.

§ 101-30.700 Scope of subpart.

This subpart defines the objectives of the item reduction program and assigns responsibilities for its operation. Procedures implementing the policy set forth herein are contained in the GSA Handbook, Item Elimination (FPMR 101–30.7), issued by the Commissioner, Federal Supply Service.

§ 101-30.701 Definitions.

As used in this subpart 101-30.7, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth in this §101-30.701.

$\S 101-30.701-1$ Item reduction study.

Item reduction study means the study of a group of generally similar items which are subject to evaluation by physical and performance characteristics. This evaluation process identifies items determined to be unnecessarily similar or uneconomical for Government use and which will be considered for removal from Government supply systems. For items so identified, a replacement item shall be proposed. The result of item reduction studies will indicate items which are authorized for procurement or not authorized for procurement.

§ 101–30.701–2 Item standardization code.

Item standardization code (ISC) means a code assigned an item in the supply system which identifies the item as authorized for procurement or not authorized for procurement.

§101-30.701-3 Preparing activity.

Preparing activity means a Government agency responsible for the preparation of item reduction studies, or an activity authorized by the listed agencies to conduct an item reduction study. The DOD Standardization Directory SD-1 provides such a listing.

§ 101–30.701–4 Standardization relationship.

Standardization relationship means the relationship between the replaced item and the replacement item. The replaced item will contain an item standardization code designating the item as not authorized for procurement and therefore must have a replacement item. The relationship of the two items is displayed within the item reduction study by item standardization codes and, upon approval of the study, in the Federal catalog system data base at the Defense Logistics Services Center (DLSC).

§101-30.702 Determining item reduction potential.

Item reduction studies are required where there are large numbers of generally similar items which are subject to grouping and examination by item name, item name modifiers, or other characteristics such as sizes, grades, lengths, and materials. Before conducting a full scale item reduction study, the assignee activity shall determine whether sufficient item reduction potential appears to exist. Item reduction studies shall be undertaken only when the expected benefits outweigh the costs of performing the study.

§101-30.703 Program objectives.

The objective of the item reduction program is to reduce the varieties and sizes of similar items in the Government supply system by:

- (a) Implementing a coordinated item reduction process among supply managers of using activities;
- (b) Standardizing items of supply used by the Government;
- (c) Ensuring that all participants in item reduction studies give priority to controlling and completing item reduction studies;