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30.000 Scope of part.

This part describes policies and procedures for applying the Cost Accounting Standards Board (CASB) rules and regulations (48 CFR chapter 99 (FAR appendix)) to negotiated contracts and subcontracts. This part does not apply to sealed bid contracts or to any contract with a small business concern (see 48 CFR 9903.201–1(b) (FAR appendix) for these and other exemptions).

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30.001 Definitions.

As used in this part—

Affected CAS-covered contract or subcontract means a contract or subcontract subject to Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) rules and regulations for which a contractor or subcontractor—

- (1) Used one cost accounting practice to estimate costs and a changed cost accounting practice to accumulate and report costs under the contract or subcontract; or
- (2) Used a noncompliant practice for purposes of estimating or accumulating and reporting costs under the contract or subcontract.

Cognizant Federal agency official (CFAO) means the contracting officer assigned by the cognizant Federal agency to administer the CAS.

Desirable change means a compliant change to a contractor's established or disclosed cost accounting practices that the CFAO finds is desirable and not detrimental to the Government and is, therefore, not subject to the no increased cost prohibition provisions of CAS-covered contracts and subcontracts affected by the change.

Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts

- (1) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts described at 16.202, 16.203 (except when price adjustments are based on actual costs of labor or material, described at 16.203–1(a)(2)), and 16.207;
- (2) Fixed-price incentive contracts and subcontracts where the price is not

adjusted based on actual costs incurred (Subpart 16.4):

- (3) Orders issued under indefinite-delivery contracts and subcontracts where final payment is not based on actual costs incurred (Subpart 16.5); and
- (4) The fixed-hourly rate portion of time-and-materials and labor-hours contracts and subcontracts (Subpart 16.6).

Flexibly-priced contracts and subcontracts means—

- (1) Fixed-price contracts and subcontracts described at 16.203–1(a)(2), 16.204, 16.205, and 16.206;
- (2) Cost-reimbursement contracts and subcontracts (Subpart 16.3);
- (3) Incentive contracts and subcontracts where the price may be adjusted based on actual costs incurred (Subpart 16.4);
- (4) Orders issued under indefinite-delivery contracts and subcontracts where final payment is based on actual costs incurred (Subpart 16.5); and
- (5) The materials portion of timeand-materials contracts and subcontracts (Subpart 16.6).

Noncompliance means a failure in estimating, accumulating, or reporting costs to—

- (1) Comply with applicable CAS; or
- (2) Consistently follow disclosed or established cost accounting practices.

Required change means-

- (1) A change in cost accounting practice that a contractor is required to make in order to comply with applicable Standards, modifications or interpretations thereto, that subsequently becomes applicable to an existing CAS-covered contract or subcontract due to the receipt of another CAS-covered contract or subcontract; or
- (2) A prospective change to a disclosed or established cost accounting practice when the CFAO determines that the former practice was in compliance with applicable CAS and the change is necessary for the contractor to remain in compliance.

Unilateral change means a change in cost accounting practice from one compliant practice to another compliant practice that a contractor with a CAS-covered contract(s) or subcontract(s) elects to make that has not been deemed a desirable change by the

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CFAO and for which the Government will pay no aggregate increased costs.

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Subpart 30.1—General

30.101 Cost Accounting Standards.

- (a) Public Law 100-679 (41 U.S.C. 422) requires certain contractors and subcontractors to comply with Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) and to disclose in writing and follow consistently their cost accounting practices.
- (b) Contracts that refer to this part 30 for the purpose of applying the policies, procedures, standards and regulations promulgated by the CASB pursuant to Public Law 100-679, shall be deemed to refer to the CAS, and any other regulations promulgated by the CASB (see 48 CFR chapter 99), all of which are hereby incorporated in this part 30.
- (c) The appendix to the FAR loose-leaf edition contains—
- (1) Cost Accounting Standards and Cost Accounting Standards Board Rules and Regulations Recodified by the Cost Accounting Standards Board at 48 CFR Chapter 99; and
 - (2) The following preambles:
- (i) Part I—Preambles to the Cost Accounting Standards Published by the Cost Accounting Standards Board.
- (ii) Part II—Preambles to the Related Rules and Regulations Published by the Cost Accounting Standards Board.
- (iii) Part III—Preambles Published under the FAR System.
- (d) The preambles are not regulatory but are intended to explain why the Standards and related Rules and Regulations were written, and to provide rationale for positions taken relative to issues raised in the public comments. The preambles are printed in chronological order to provide an administrative history.

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30.102 Cost Accounting Standards Board publication.

Copies of the CASB Standards and Regulations are printed in title 48 of the Code of Federal Regulations, chapter 99, and may be obtained by writing the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, or by calling the Washington, DC, ordering desk at area code (202) 512–1800.

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Subpart 30.2—CAS Program Requirements

30.201 Contract requirements.

Title 48 CFR 9903.201-1 (FAR appendix) describes the rules for determining whether a proposed contract or subcontract is exempt from CAS. Negotiated contracts not exempt in accordance with 48 CFR 9903.201-1(b) shall be subject to CAS. A CAS-covered contract may be subject to either full or modified coverage. The rules for determining whether full or modified coverage applies are in 48 CFR 9903.201-2 (FAR appendix).

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30.201-1 CAS applicability.

See 48 CFR 9903.201-1 (FAR appendix).

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30.201-2 Types of CAS coverage.

See 48 CFR 9903.201-2 (FAR appendix).

[61 FR 18916, Apr. 29, 1996, as amended at 62 FR 40237, July 25, 1997]

30.201-3 Solicitation provisions.

- (a) The contracting officer shall insert the provision at 52.230–1, Cost Accounting Standards Notices and Certification, in solicitations for proposed contracts subject to CAS as specified in 48 CFR 9903.201 (FAR appendix).
- (b) If an award to an educational institution is contemplated prior to July 1, 1997, the contracting officer shall insert the basic provision set forth at 52.230–1 with its *Alternate I*, unless the contract is to be performed by a Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) (see 48 CFR 9903.201–2(c)(5) (FAR appendix)), or the provision at 48 CFR 9903.201–2(c)(6) (FAR appendix) applies.