

SUBCHAPTER B—CIVIL SERVICE REGULATIONS

PART 110—POSTING NOTICES OF NEW OPM REGULATIONS

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§ 110.101 What are OPM's Notice and Posting System responsibilities?

OPM will issue a notice that will provide information for Federal agencies, employees, managers, and other stakeholders on each of its new proposed, interim, and final regulations. Each notice will transmit:

(a) A posting notice that briefly explains the nature of the change, and provides a place for Federal agencies to indicate where the full text of the FEDERAL REGISTER notice will be available for review.

(b) A copy of the notice of rulemaking that appears in the FEDERAL REGISTER or a link to a Web site where the notice of rulemaking appears.

§ 110.102 What are Agency responsibilities?

(a) Agencies will make regulations available for review by employees, managers, and other interested parties. Federal agencies receiving the notices of rulemaking described in §110.101(b) will make those regulations available for review upon request. Each agency will complete the posting notice described in §110.101(a) indicating where and how requests to review these materials should be made.

(b) Agencies will determine posting locations and, if desired, develop supplemental announcements. Agencies will display completed posting notices in a prominent place where the notices can be easily seen and read. Agencies will choose the posting location that best fits their physical layout. Agencies may supplement these postings with announcements in employee newsletters, agency Web sites, or other communication methods. The basic re-

quirement to post the notice continues, however, even if supplemental announcement methods are used.

(c) Agencies will post notices of the new regulations even if the FEDERAL REGISTER comment date has passed. The public comment period on proposed regulations begins when a notice of proposed rulemaking is published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, not with the posting of the notice described in §110.101(a). The purpose of posting notice is solely to inform agency personnel of changes. Agencies are required to post the posting notice even if the formal deadline for comments shown in the preamble of the FEDERAL REGISTER notice of rulemaking has passed. Agencies should make every reasonable effort to minimize delays in distributing the notice described in §110.101 to their field offices.

(d) No fixed posting period. There are no minimum or maximum time limits on displaying the notice described in §110.101(a). Each office receiving a notice for posting should choose the posting period which provides the best opportunity to inform managers and employees of regulatory changes based upon office layout, geographic dispersion of employees, and other local factors.

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SOURCE: 35 FR 16783, Oct. 30, 1970, unless otherwise noted.

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 151.101 Definitions.

In this part:

(a) *State* means a State or territory or possession of the United States.

(b) *State or local agency* means:

(1) The executive branch of a State, municipality, or other political subdivision of a State, or an agency or department thereof; or

(2) The executive branch of the District of Columbia, or an agency or department thereof.

(c) *Federal agency* means an executive agency or other agency of the United States, but does not include a member bank of the Federal Reserve System;

(d) *State or local officer or employee* means an individual employed by a State or local agency whose principal employment is in connection with an activity which is financed in whole or in part by loans or grants made by the United States or a Federal agency but does not include—

(1) An individual who exercises no functions in connection with that activity.

(2) An individual employed by an educational or research institution, establishment, agency, or system which is supported in whole or in part by—

(i) A State or political subdivision thereof;

(ii) The District of Columbia; or

(iii) A recognized religious, philanthropic, or cultural organization.

(e) *Political party* means a National political party, a State political party, and an affiliated organization.

(f) *Election* includes a primary, special, and general election.

(g) *Nonpartisan election* means an election at which none of the candidates is to be nominated or elected as representing a political party any of whose candidates for Presidential elector receives votes in the last preceding election at which Presidential electors were selected.

(h) *Partisan* when used as an adjective refers to a political party.

(i) *Elective office* means any office which is voted upon at an election as defined at §151.101(f), above, but does not include political party office.

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PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES

§ 151.111 Permissible activities.

(a) All State or local officers or employees are free to engage in political activity to the widest extent consistent with the restrictions imposed by law and this part. A State or local officer or employee may participate in all political activity not specifically restricted by law and this part, including candidacy for office in a nonpartisan election and candidacy for political party office.

[40 FR 42733, Sept. 16, 1975]

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

§ 151.121 Use of official authority; coercion; candidacy; prohibitions.

A State or local officer or employee may not—

(a) Use his official authority or influence for the purpose of interfering with or affecting the result of an election or a nomination for office; or

(b) Directly or indirectly coerce, attempt to coerce, command, or advise a State or local officer or employee to pay, lend, or contribute anything of value to a political party, committee, organization, agency, or person for a political purpose.

(c) Be a candidate for elective office if the salary of the employee is paid completely, directly or indirectly, by loans or grants made by the United States or a Federal agency.

[40 FR 42733, Sept. 16, 1975, as amended at 79 FR 25484, May 5, 2014]

§ 151.122 Candidacy; exceptions.

Section 151.121(c) does not apply to—

(a) The Governor or Lieutenant Governor of a State or an individual authorized by law to act as Governor;

(b) The Mayor of a city;

(c) A duly elected head of an executive department of a State, municipality, or the District of Columbia, who is not classified under a merit or civil service system of a State, municipality, or the District of Columbia;

(d) An individual holding elective office;

(e) Activity in connection with a nonpartisan election; or

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(f) Candidacy for a position of officer of a political party, delegate to a political party convention, member of a National, State, or local committee of a political party, or any similar position.

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PART 175—OPM MANDATORY REVIEW OF CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS

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175.101 Policy.

175.102 Requests for the declassification of documents.

AUTHORITY: E.O. 12065, 43 FR 28949.

§ 175.101 Policy.

The Office of Personnel Management bases its procedures for handling national security information on Executive Order 12065, "National Security Information," and Information Security Oversight Office Directive No. 1 concerning national security information.

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§ 175.102 Requests for the declassification of documents.

Any Federal agency, Government employee or member of the public has the right to request a mandatory review of any classified document, held by the Office of Personnel Management, which was classified for national security purposes by the Civil Service Commission. The Office of Personnel Management does not have the authority to classify documents.

(a) Requests for mandatory declassification review should be addressed to the Director, Office of Management, or the designee of the Director, who will act on requests within 60 days. Requests need not be made in any special form but shall, as specified in section 3-501 of the Executive order, reasonably describe the information.

(b) Based upon the review, the document, or any reasonably segregable portion thereof that no longer requires protection under the Executive order, shall be declassified and released unless withholding is otherwise warranted under applicable law.

(c) No OPM official will refuse to confirm the existence or non-existence of any document requested under the Freedom of Information Act or the mandatory review provisions of the Executive order, unless the fact of its existence or non-existence would itself be classifiable under the Executive order. OPM Administrative Manual chapter 22, covering OPM policies and procedures relating to classified information or material is available for inspection by the public in the OPM Library, room 5H27, 1900 E. St., NW., Washington, DC, or in one of the 10 OPM regional offices in the following cities: Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, San Francisco and Seattle.

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PART 177—ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMS UNDER THE FEDERAL TORT CLAIMS ACT

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AUTHORITY: 28 U.S.C. 2672; 28 CFR 14.11.

SOURCE: 65 FR 44945, July 20, 2000, unless otherwise noted.

§ 177.101 Scope of regulations.

The regulations in this part apply only to claims presented or filed with the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) under the Federal Tort Claims Act, as amended, for money damages against the United States for injury to or loss of property or personal injury or death caused by the negligent or wrongful act or omission of an officer or employee of OPM while acting within the scope of his or her office or employment.