



**U.S. Department
of Transportation**

1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

Office of the Secretary
of Transportation

SUBJECT: Class Deviation No. 2026-13 from the Transportation Acquisition Regulation for TAR Part 1213 in Support of Executive Order 14275, Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement

FROM: Chrishaun Jones
Senior Procurement Executive
Office of the Senior Procurement Executive

TO: Department of Transportation Chiefs of the Contracting Offices

- I. Purpose:** This memorandum approves a class deviation to the Transportation Acquisition Regulation (TAR) part 1213 for purpose of implementing, in the TAR, Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Class Deviation (CD) (No. 2026-08) for FAR part 13 and (No. 2026-22) Supplement to Certain FAR Deviations (Part 5, 8, 9, 12, 13, and 23) in support of Executive Order (E.O.) 14275, “Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement.”
- II. Effective Date:** Immediately.
- III. Background:** On April 15, 2025, [Executive Order \(E.O.\) 14275 on Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement](#) was signed. Section 2 of the E.O. establishes the policy that the FAR “should only contain provisions required by statute or essential to sound procurement, and any FAR provisions that do not advance these objectives should be removed.” The Revolutionary FAR Overhaul (RFO) initiative will make the FAR more concise, understandable, and focused on core procurement requirements. This also applies to agency supplements to the FAR.

Under this initiative, the FAR is being updated to:

- Remove language that is not required by statute
- Remove duplicative or outdated language
- Clarify or provide more plain language
- Revise language for the new FAR framework
- Retain language necessary for governmentwide acquisition standards.

The RFO FAR part 13 model deviation text upon which this RFO TAR part 1213 deviation is also based, establishes bedrock principles. The Department of Transportation (DOT) issued FAR CD 2026-08 for FAR part 13 on July 17, 2025, and FAR CD 2026-22 for FAR part 13 Supplement on January 12, 2026. Both documents can be accessed [here](#).

To ensure alignment with recently issued E.O.s and other TAR parts, it is necessary to issue this RFO TAR CD in advance of a proposed rule to implement these requirements to ensure DOT policies and procedures align with these requirements. DOT intends on conducting further analysis and developing a rule for publication in the Federal Register for public comment after the release of this CD, and after FAR proposed and final rules are published.

IV. Summary of Changes: The following table is not an exhaustive list but includes notable updates to TAR part 1213:

Change	Description
Removed	Entire TAR Part 1213—Simplified Acquisition Procedures is removed, including underlying subpart and sections as reflected below. • Subpart 1213.70—Department of Transportation Procedures for Acquiring Training Services - removed the subpart in its entirety including underlying sections. The procedures are more appropriate as internal agency guidance in the TAM. This approach to streamline the TAR and remove non-statutory based requirements, internal procedures, or outdated and redundant material is now aligned with the RFO FAR drafting approach. ○ 1213.7000, Applicability. ○ 1211.7001, Solicitation provision and contract clause.

V. Required Actions: Contracting Officers shall follow the RFO TAR part 1213 deviation text, in lieu of TAR part 1213 as codified at 48 CFR, chapter 12. The RFO TAR deviation text is shown in the Attachment.

Chiefs of the Contracting Offices (COCOs) must ensure this deviation is disseminated to the acquisition workforce and ensure compliance with the requirements in the CD.

For new and existing solicitations, contracts or orders:

- Do not include any applicable deviated (removed) provisions or clauses to TAR part 1213.

For open solicitations:

- The contracting officer has discretion regarding the need to amend the solicitation and remove any applicable provisions or clauses as a result of this deviation. The contracting officer may be required to revise the draft contract at the time of contract award if a deviated clause removed by this class deviation was not removed during the solicitation stage.

VI. Applicability: This CD applies to all DOT Operating Administrations (OAs), the Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST), and the Office of the Inspector General (OIG), excluding the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in accordance with RFO TAR 1201.103-70(b).

VII. Authority: This CD is issued under the authority of RFO FAR 1.304, Class deviations; TAR 1201.404, Class deviations; and RFO TAR 1201.304, for the purpose of implementing policy in

the TAR to comply with requirements of certain E.O.s, statutes, and other directives in DOT TAR CD No. 2026-08 and TAR CD No. 2026-22, and as described below.

- VIII. Expiration Date:** This CD will remain in effect until it is incorporated into the TAR, superseded, or is otherwise rescinded, whichever occurs first.
- IX. Point of Contact:** Questions or comments regarding this deviation may be directed to DOTAcquisitionPolicy@dot.gov.

Attachment:

- A. TAR Part 1213 Deviation Text - Bold/Bracketed/Line-in Line-Out (BB-LILO)

Transportation Acquisition Regulation (TAR) Class Deviation (CD) No. 2026-13

Attachment

RFO TAR Part 1213

TAR Text Baseline is 48 CFR chapter 12 as of March 26, 2026.

Additions are shown as **[bolded and bracketed]** and deletions are shown in strikethrough deletions. TAR Text unchanged shown as asterisks.

Part 1213—~~Simplified Acquisition Procedures~~ (RFO DEVIATION)

~~Subpart 1213.70—Department of Transportation Procedures for Acquiring Training Services~~

~~1213.7000 Applicability.~~

~~1213.7001 Solicitation provision and contract clause.~~

Authority: [5 U.S.C. 301](#); [41 U.S.C. 1121\(c\)\(3\)](#); [41 U.S.C. 1702](#); and [48 CFR 1.301](#) through [1.304](#).

PART 1213—~~SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION PROCEDURES~~ (RFO DEVIATION)

~~Subpart 1213.70—Department of Transportation Procedures for Acquiring Training Services~~

~~1213.7000 Applicability.~~

~~(a) DOT policy at 1237.7000 applies to Standard Form (SF) 182, Request, Authorization, Agreement and Certification of Training, which may be used to acquire training services; however, the policy does not apply to training services acquired by Governmentwide commercial purchase card. The Governmentwide commercial purchase card may only be used to acquire training services valued at the micro purchase threshold level or less.~~

~~(b) As reflected in 1237.7002, this policy does not apply to training attended by DOT employees that is scheduled and conducted by Government sources of supply, educational institutions, or private entities where DOT does not control or sponsor the training. Examples of when the policy does and does not apply include:~~

~~(1) When SF 182s are issued for three DOT employees to attend a one-week course at a university or other private entity, the policy does not apply. DOT does not control the course because the university or private entity has a contract in place with the training provider and DOT is placing an order under an existing contract; and~~

~~(2) When DOT awards a contract to a university or other private entity to provide training for DOT and/or other Government personnel, the policy applies. DOT controls this course; therefore, no soliciting or advertising of private non-Government training while conducting the contracted for training is permitted.~~

~~1213.7001 Solicitation provision and contract clause.~~

~~(a) Contracting officers shall insert the provision as prescribed at 1252.237-71, Certification of Data, in all solicitations and requests for quotations, and the clause as prescribed at 1252.237-72, Prohibition on Advertising, in solicitations, requests for quotations, and all contracts (e.g., purchase orders, SF 182s) for training services when the content and/or presentation of the training is controlled by DOT.~~

~~(b) Contracting officers shall incorporate the successful offeror's certified data into any resultant contract(s). Certified data may be adopted by reference, if the contracting officer determines it contains information sufficient to reliably describe the certified data submitted. For example, this type of information includes dated material such as resumes and company or personnel qualifications.~~
