It’s a veritable flurry of DFARS rule changes!

Repealed stuff:

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Goodbye DFARS clause **252.211-7000** , Acquisition Streamlining

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Goodbye DFARS clause **252.236-7009** , Option for Supervision and Inspection Services

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Goodbye DFARS provision **252.228-7004** , Bonds or Other Security

Each of those foregoing requirements has been determined to be obsolete or otherwise not necessary by the DoD’s Regulatory Reform Task Force.

In addition to the above, the DAR Council **amended** the DFARS to remove an obsolete requirement from the clause at DFARS 252.219-7009, Section 8(a) Direct Award. The clause required 8(a) contractors to obtain written approval from the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the contracting officer prior to subcontracting the performance of any contract requirements, but that requirement “no longer exists in SBA's regulations on the 8(a) Business Development Program.”

Finally, the DOD Mentor-Protégé Program **was modified** to implement section 1823 and paragraph (b) of section 1813 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017. So if that’s your thing, then follow the link and scope out the changes.

But that's not all.

Two new proposed rules were published for public comment.

The **first rule** would "amend the DFARS to implement sections of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 by expanding the definition of other competitive procedures, and extending the term and increasing the dollar value under the contract authority for advanced development of initial or additional prototype units."

The **second rule** would "amend the DFARS to implement a section of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 that requires the use of brand name or equivalent descriptions or proprietary specifications or standards in solicitations to be justified and approved."

Busy DAR Council!