

Did you know...January 23, 2012

1...that FAR Clause 52.223-18, Contractor Policy to Ban Text Messaging While Driving, shall be included in all solicitations and contracts. See FAR 23.1105.

2 ...that the contracting officer may use Part 12 for any acquisition for services that does not meet the definition of commercial item in FAR 2.101, if the contract or task order- (i) Is entered into on or before November 24, 2013; (ii) Has a value of \$29.5 million or less; (iii) Meets the definition of performance-based acquisition at FAR 2.101; (iv) Uses a quality assurance surveillance plan; (v) Includes performance incentives where appropriate; (vi) Specifies a firm-fixed price for specific tasks to be performed or outcomes to be achieved; and (vii) Is awarded to an entity that provides similar services to the general public under terms and conditions similar to those in the contract or task order? See FAR 12.102 (g)(1).

3....that when acquiring information technology services, solicitations must not describe any minimum experience or educational requirement for proposed contractor personnel unless the contracting officer determines that the needs of the agency- (a) Cannot be met without that requirement; or (b) Require the use of other than a performance-based acquisition? See FAR 39.104.

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Caveats: NONE