

Federal Procurement Regulations

Having a strong understanding of the underlying regulations is key to being able to procure goods and services for the Child Nutrition Programs with confidence that you are in compliance and, equally important, are getting the best products at the best prices.

Part 3016 of Title 7 of the U.S. Code of Regulations contains uniform administrative requirements for State and local governments, and Part 3019 contains requirements for grants and agreements with nonprofits, institutions of higher education, and hospitals. These parts lay out the basic procurement requirements that school food authorities must comply with for the procurement of food, and other goods and services, when using school food service funds. Program-specific rules can be found in the regulations governing each Federal nutrition program.

Uniform Administrative Requirements for Procurement

- [7 CFR 3016.36](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2006-title7-vol15/pdf/CFR-2006-title7-vol15-sec3016-36.pdf) (<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2006-title7-vol15/pdf/CFR-2006-title7-vol15-sec3016-36.pdf>) (State and local governments)
- [7 CFR 3019.44](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2012-title7-vol15/pdf/CFR-2012-title7-vol15-sec3019-44.pdf) (<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2012-title7-vol15/pdf/CFR-2012-title7-vol15-sec3019-44.pdf>) (Nonprofit organizations)

Program Regulations for Procurement

- [7 CFR 210.21](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2013-title7-vol4/xml/CFR-2013-title7-vol4-sec210-21.xml) (<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2013-title7-vol4/xml/CFR-2013-title7-vol4-sec210-21.xml>) (National School Lunch Program)
- [7 CFR 220.16](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2011-title7-vol4/xml/CFR-2011-title7-vol4-sec220-16.xml) (<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2011-title7-vol4/xml/CFR-2011-title7-vol4-sec220-16.xml>) (School Breakfast Program)
- [7 CFR 225.17](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2011-title7-vol4/xml/CFR-2011-title7-vol4-sec225-17.xml) (<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2011-title7-vol4/xml/CFR-2011-title7-vol4-sec225-17.xml>) (Summer Food Service Program)
- [7 CFR 226.22](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-1999-title7-vol4/xml/CFR-1999-title7-vol4-sec226-22.xml) (<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-1999-title7-vol4/xml/CFR-1999-title7-vol4-sec226-22.xml>) (Child and Adult Care Food Program)

General Procurement Resources

- [State Agency Guidance on Procurement](http://www.nfsmi.org/Templates/TemplateDefault.aspx?qs=cEIEPTEzNQ) (<http://www.nfsmi.org/Templates/TemplateDefault.aspx?qs=cEIEPTEzNQ>), from FNS in partnership with the National Food Service Management Institute – An online procurement training geared towards State agencies that focuses on Federal procurement requirements.
- [Procurement in the 21st Century](http://www.nfsmi.org/documentlibraryfiles/PDF/20130820034348.pdf) (<http://www.nfsmi.org/documentlibraryfiles/PDF/20130820034348.pdf>), from the National Food Service Management Institute – Covers all the basics of school nutrition procurement and includes a section on local foods.