



REVISION OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS (CA-FATC)

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 28, 2019

Effective January 28, 2019, new NSF cooperative agreements and funding amendments to existing NSF cooperative agreements will begin referencing, and are subject to, the [Cooperative Agreement Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions](#) (CA-FATC) dated 01/28/19.

Unless otherwise noted in a specific article, the *Cooperative Agreement Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions* apply to all new NSF cooperative agreements and funding increments to existing NSF cooperative agreements awarded on or after January 28, 2019.

A summary of the changes is included below. Any questions regarding these changes may be directed to the Policy Office, Division of Institution and Award Support, at policy@nsf.gov.

Significant Changes

- **Project Changes, Article 8.** This article has been revised for consistency with the Uniform Guidance. The awardee is required to obtain NSF prior written approval for any project change (such as subawarding or transferring part of an NSF award after an award has been made) specified in Article 3, Prior Approval Requirements. The language in Articles 1.d.4 and 2.c also has been revised to reflect this change.
- **Fee Payments, Article 48.** This new term and condition addresses when payment of fee is allowable for NSF awards.

Clarifications and Other Changes

- **Overall Document.** Throughout the document, websites and references have been updated for consistency with the *Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide* and to reflect current information.
- **Prior Approval Requirements, Article 3.** Specific examples of coverage that is addressed in the prior approval matrices has been removed from CA-FATC.
- **Equipment, Article 6.** References to types of organizations and title to equipment has been clarified to reflect applicability of the provisions.

- **Project Reporting Requirements, Article 15.** This article has been updated to include language stating that the submission of the Final Project Report and Project Outcomes Report for the General Public (POR) indicates that the research on the project is completed.