Research Terms and Conditions
Agency Implementation Statements

April 21, 2021

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

The policy of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration is to apply the Research Terms and Conditions to all new grants and cooperative agreements and funding amendments on existing grants and cooperative agreements issued on or after November 12, 2020.

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Effective November 12th, 2020, the Research Terms and Conditions apply to all NIH grants and cooperative agreements with the exceptions noted in the NIH Agency Specific Requirements (updated April 8, 2021). NIH implementation of these Federal-wide Research Terms has no significant change in the requirements or terms and conditions for NIH awardees.

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Effective November 12, 2020, all new NSF grants and funding increments on existing NSF grants to institutions of higher education and non-profit organizations will incorporate by reference the Research Terms and Conditions dated November 2020, and the NSF Agency Specific Requirements dated November 2020. The Research Terms and Conditions will not be applied to NSF cooperative agreements and fellowship awards made to individuals.
U.S. Department of Agriculture/National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)

These Research Terms and Conditions will apply to all awards (grants, cooperative agreements, and special projects) for all research and research-related awards (i.e., research, education, and extension) to institutions of higher education, hospitals, other non-profit organizations and for-profit organizations funded by NIFA except: 1) Capacity Programs; 2) the 1890 Facilities Program; and 3) the Small Business Innovation Research Program; as well as 4) awards to individuals. Existing research, education, and extension awards will continue to utilize the terms and conditions as stated in the award until the award expires unless the award is amended on or after November 12, 2020.

U.S. Department of Commerce

Commencing November 12, 2020, the Department of Commerce (DOC) will implement the Government-wide core set of research terms and conditions for all research financial assistance awards subject to 2 CFR Part 200, in addition to any Department and Bureau-specific terms and conditions that may apply. Awards made by the Department and its Bureaus shall apply the terms and conditions stipulated in the award. Upon the issuance of a funded amendment or renewal, the Government-wide core set of research terms and conditions will be incorporated into the award.

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)

DOE will implement the Research Terms and Conditions for all new grant and cooperative agreement awards made after November 12, 2020 to all organizations subject to 2 CFR 200 as implemented by 2 CFR 910. DOE will also utilize agency specific terms and conditions dated November 2020. Both sets of terms and conditions will be incorporated by reference.
Effective January 2021, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will incorporate by reference the Research Terms & Conditions dated November 2020, to research grants and cooperative agreements, as applicable, in addition to Program Specific Requirements. Existing research extensions will continue to utilize the terms and conditions stated in the award until award expiration.