



**REVISION OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)  
AGENCY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS TO THE RESEARCH  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**EFFECTIVE MARCH 7, 2014**

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Effective March 7, 2014, awards made to organizations subject to 2 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 215 will incorporate by reference the *Research Terms & Conditions* dated June, 2011 and the *NSF Agency Specific Requirements* dated March, 2014. The *Research Terms & Conditions* will not be applied to NSF cooperative agreements or to NSF fellowship awards made to individuals.

Unless otherwise noted in a specific article, the *NSF Agency Specific Requirements* apply to all new NSF grants and funding amendments to existing NSF grants awarded on or after March 7, 2014.

A summary of the change is included below. Any questions regarding this change may be directed to the Policy Office, Division of Institution and Award Support, on (703) 292-8243 or by e-mail to [policy@nsf.gov](mailto:policy@nsf.gov).

**Significant Change to the NSF Agency Specific Requirements to the Research Terms and Conditions, dated 03/14**

- **Whistleblower Protection, Article 31** is a new article that notifies awardees of the applicability of a Federal statute which imposes notification requirements relating to whistleblower protection.