

**OFFICE OF NAVAL RESEARCH  
GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE  
AGENCY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS  
(July 2008)**

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The Office of Naval Research (ONR) Government-wide Core Agency Specific Requirements of July 2008 are applicable to all new and renewal awards effective on or after 1 July 2008.

**Article 1. Awards Covered by Government-wide Core T&Cs**

All domestic research grants subject to 2 CFR part 215. The Government-wide Core T&Cs do not apply to cooperative agreements, contracts and other transactions.

**Article 2. Prior Approval Requirements not Included in the General T&Cs.**

Notwithstanding Article Number 25.(c)(2)(i) of the Government-wide Core Terms and Conditions, prior written approval is required to extend the period of performance, without additional funds, beyond the expiration date of this grant. The Administrative Grant Officer (AGO) at the Administrative Office in Block 23.a. of the Award/Modification document has authority to approve no funds extension requests meeting all of the following parameters:

- (a) a one-time basis only; and
- (b) for a period not to exceed 90 days; and
- (c) where \$50,000.00 or less of obligated funds remain to be expended.

In other cases, where a request is outside of one or more of the above parameters, a no funds extension can only be approved with the concurrence of the Technical Representative cited in Block 21.a. of the Award/Modification document. For any no funds extension to be effective, a written grant modification must be issued and signed by the AGO at the Administrative Office in Block 23.a. of the Award/Modification document or the Awarding Office in Block 22 of the Award/Modification document.

**Article 3. Unallowable Direct Costs Aside from Those in 2CFR 220&230**

None

**Article 4. Contact Information for Technical Matters**

Questions regarding technical matters should be referred to the Technical Representative cited in Block 21a. of the grant.

#### **Article 5. Contact Information for Administrative Matters**

Questions regarding administrative matters should be referred to the Administrative Grants Officer (AGO) at the Administrative Office cited in Block 23a. of the grant.

#### **Article 6. Contact Information for Intellectual Property Matters**

Questions regarding intellectual property matters should be referred to the ONR Patent Office cited in Block 26a. of the grant.

#### **Article 7. Revised Budget Requirements**

ONR does not require standard budget forms. Revised budgets, when required, may be submitted in the recipient's format.

#### **Article 8. Technical Reporting**

- (a) Technical reporting requirements are cited in Block 31 of the Award/Modification.
- (b) If reports are requested in Block 31 of the Award/Modification, the Grantee shall submit the performance results within ninety (90) days after the end date of the Grant.
- (c) The Grantee shall include a completed "Report Documentation Page" Standard Form (SF) 298 as the last page of the performance results prepared under this Grant. The form and instructions are available on the Office of Naval Research Home Page at <http://www.onr.navy.mil/02/024/forms>. However, Block 12a. of the SF 298 should be completed with the following distribution/availability statement: "Approved for Public Release; Distribution is Unlimited." If the Grantee does not agree with that distribution/availability, the Grantee should contact the cognizant AGO at the Administrative Office in Block 23a. of the Award/Modification document.

#### **Article 9. Financial Reporting**

Financial reporting requirements are cited in Block 31 of the grant.

#### **Article 10. Incremental Funding Actions**

No additional documentation is required to trigger an increment. However, recipients should note that low expenditure rates reported on payment requests might be cause for deferral of future funding increments.

### **ARTICLES WITH GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE REFERENCE**

#### **Article 11. Payments**

Forms and instructions available at <http://www.onr.navy.mil/02/024/forms>

**REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 22**

- (a) If the Grantee participates in the ONR PayWeb bill paying network, the Grantee shall submit an electronic request for payment to the AGO at the Administrative Office in Block 23.a. of the Award/Modification using the ONR EDI/EFT SEPS bill paying network. All payments shall be made by fund transfers in accordance with information contained in the Automated Clearing House (ACH) Vendor/Miscellaneous Payment Enrollment Form (SF 3881) recorded under the EDI/EFT Vendor Number in Block 13.c. of the Award/Modification document.

**OR**

- (b) If the Grantee does not participate in the PayWeb bill paying network, payment requests hereunder shall be submitted by the Grantee using the SF 270. The signed SF 270 shall be faxed to the AGO at the Administrative Office in Block 23.a. of the Award/Modification document for certification and transmittal to the disbursing office.

### **Article 12. The Need for Additional Federal Funding**

**REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 25, SECTION (b)(3)**

The Government's financial obligation is limited to the amount shown as "Total Obligated on Award," Block 16 of the Award/Modification document.

### **Article 13. Equipment**

**REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 34**

Title to all equipment purchased or fabricated with ONR funds provided under this grant or recipient cost sharing funds, as direct costs of the project or program, shall unconditionally vest in the recipient upon acquisition without further obligation to the Federal Government unless other conditions are imposed in the award.

### **Article 14. Supplies**

**REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 35**

Notwithstanding GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE Article Number 35(a), title to supplies and other expendable property shall vest in the recipient providing the residual inventory of unused supplies does not exceed \$5,000 in total aggregate value upon termination or completion of the project or program. If the value of residual supplies exceeds \$5,000, the provisions of OMB Circular A-110 Section 35 (2CFR 215.35) apply.

### **Article 15. Reporting Potentially Classifiable Information**

**REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 54**

The official referred to in GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE Article 54(b)(1) is the Program Officer designated in the Grant, Block 21.

## **Article 16. Termination**

### **REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 61**

In case of a partial or full termination by the recipient, the recipient shall provide the required written termination notice to the ONR Grants Officer and AGO at least 30 calendar days prior to the effective date of termination.

## **Article 17. Enforcement**

### **REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 62**

The recipient shall submit claims arising out of or relating to this grant in writing to the ONR Grants Officer or AGO, as appropriate, and shall specify the nature and basis for the relief requested and include all data that supports the claim. The recipient and ONR Grants Officer/AGO shall attempt to resolve all issues at the ONR Grants Officer/AGO level.

## **Article 18. Overpayments**

### **REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 71**

Within ninety (90) days after the end date of the Grant, any overpayment of funds provided by the Grant shall be remitted to the Office of Naval Research AGO at the Administrative Office in Block 23.a. of the Award/Modification document, by check made payable to the US Treasury, DFAS, or Dept.of Navy.

## **Article 19. Collection of Amounts Due**

### **REFERENCE: GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE ARTICLE 73**

In absence of mutual agreement between the recipient and ONR, the ONR Grants Officer/AGO shall make a determination regarding any recipient indebtedness and submit a written notice of such a decision to the recipient. Within 30 calendar days of the ONR Grants Officer's/AGO's determination, the recipient shall either pay the amount owed or inform the ONR Grants Officer/AGO of the recipient's intent to appeal the determination. If the recipient elects not to appeal, any amounts not paid within 30 calendar days of the ONR Grants Officer's/AGO's determination will be considered a delinquent debt. The recipient and ONR Grants Officer/AGO shall attempt to resolve all issues at the ONR Grants Officer/AGO level.

## **ARTICLES WITH NO GOVERNMENT-WIDE CORE REFERENCE**

## **Article 20. Option to Renew**

If an option is indicated in Block 30 of the Award/Modification document, the Government may require the continuation of the research as detailed in Block 15 of the Award/Modification document. The option must be exercised by a modification to the Grant.

### **Article 21. Amendment of the Grant**

Requests by the Grantee to amend a grant must be in writing to the AGO at the Administrative Office cited in Block 23.a. of the grant. Such requests only become official when incorporated by modification issued by an AGO or ONR Grants Officer.

### **Article 22. Activities Abroad**

The Grantee shall assure that project activities carried on outside the United States are coordinated as necessary with appropriate Government authorities and that appropriate licenses, permits, or approvals are obtained prior to undertaking proposed activities. The awarding agency does not assume responsibility for Grantee compliance with the laws and regulations of the country in which the activities are to be conducted.

### **Article 23. Cargo Preference**

The recipient agrees that it will comply with the Cargo Preference Act of 1954 (46 U.S.C. 1241), as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 46 CFR 381.7, which require that at least 50 percent of equipment, materials or commodities procured or otherwise obtained with U.S. Government funds under this Grant, and which may be transported by ocean vessel, shall be transported on privately owned U.S.-flag commercial vessels, if available.

### **Article 24. Profit or Fee**

In accordance with DODGARs 22.205(b), no fee or profit may be charged to this grant.

### **Article 25. Controlled Unclassified Information**

The parties understand that information and materials provided pursuant to or resulting from this Grant may be export controlled, sensitive, for official use only, or otherwise protected by law, executive order or regulation. The Grantee is responsible for compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. Nothing in this Grant shall be construed to permit any disclosure in violation of those restrictions.