

What changes did we make to GRS 2.1?

We expanded items 050 and 051 to include mandatory job applicant drug testing records.

What changes did you make to the GRS 5.2 FAQs?

We added new questions 7 and 8 in response to questions raised by users.

We also corrected a typo. “May not be destroyed until 90 days after submission of a notification to NARA” in question 12 (question 10 in the earlier version) now reads “may not be destroyed until 60 days after submission of a notification to NARA.”

What GRS items does GRS Transmittal 29 rescind?

Many old GRS items are superseded by new GRS items. A few old items, however, have outlived their usefulness and cannot be crosswalked to new items. The table below lists old items rescinded by GRS Transmittal 29.

GRS	Item	Title	Reason
1	21a1	Employee Medical Folders: Transferred employees.	Was simply a filing/handling instruction and never had an associated disposition authority. The instruction is now a Note appended to GRS 2.7, item 060.
1	22	Employee Health Statistics	Both the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration confirmed these agency reports are no longer collected.
3	17	Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Files.	The Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization program terminated in 2015. The records are no longer being created.
16	5	Project Control Files	Item authorized periodic disposal of system data after long-term records were downloaded and safeguarded. Such data is now covered under 5.1, item 020.
16	11	Information Resources Management Triennial Review Files.	Item was added to the GRS in 1987 to comply with regulations issued in response to the Brooks Act of 1985. The Information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996 repealed this authority, ending the reviews.
16	14f2	Management Control Records—Review files—Copies maintained by other offices as internal reviews.	Item described non-record reference copies, which do not need to be scheduled.

Rescinded items are shown in context of their schedules in the old-to-new crosswalk.

How do I cite new GRS items?

When you send records to an FRC for storage, you should cite the records’ legal authority—the “DAA” number—in the “Disposition Authority” column of the table. For informational purposes, please include schedule and item number. For example, “DAA–GRS–2013–0001–0004 (GRS 4.3, item 020).”

Do I have to take any action to implement these GRS changes?

NARA regulations (36 CFR 1226.12(a)) require agencies to disseminate GRS changes within six months of receipt.

Per 36 CFR 1227.12(a)(1), you must follow GRS dispositions that state they must be followed without exception.

Per 36 CFR 1227.12(a)(3), if you have an existing schedule that differs from a new GRS item that does *not* require being followed without exception, and you wish to continue using your agency-specific authority rather than the GRS authority, you must notify NARA within 120 days of the date of this transmittal.

If you do not have an already existing agency-specific authority but wish to apply a retention period that differs from that specified in the GRS, you must submit a records schedule to NARA for approval via the Electronic Records Archives.

How do I get copies of the new GRS?

You can download the complete current GRS, in PDF format, from

NARA’s website at <http://www.archives.gov/records-mgmt/grs/trs29-sch-only.pdf>.

Whom do I contact for further information?

Writing and maintaining the GRS is the responsibility of the GRS Team. You may contact the team with general questions about the GRS at GRS_Team@nara.gov. This team is part of Records Management Services in the National Records Management Program of the Office of the Chief Records Officer at NARA.

Your agency’s records officer may contact the NARA appraiser or records analyst with whom your agency normally works for support in carrying out this transmittal. A list of the appraisal and scheduling work group and regional contacts is on the NARA website at <http://www.archives.gov/records-mgmt/appraisal/index.html>.

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Archivist of the United States.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

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Notice on Penalty Inflation Adjustments for Civil Monetary Penalties

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice announcing updated penalty inflation adjustments for civil monetary penalties for 2018.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF or Foundation) is providing notice of its adjusted maximum civil monetary penalties, effective January 15, 2018. These adjustments are required by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bijan Gilanshah, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314. Telephone: 703–292–5055.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 27, 2016, NSF published an interim final rule amending its regulations to adjust, for inflation, the maximum civil monetary penalties that may be imposed for violations of the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (ACA), as amended, 16 U.S.C. 2401 *et seq.*, and the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 (PFCRA), 31 U.S.C. 3801, *et seq.* These adjustments are required by the 2015 Act. The 2015 Act also requires agencies to make subsequent annual adjustments for inflation. Pursuant to OMB guidance dated December 15, 2017, the cost-of-living adjustment multiplier for 2018 is 1.02041. Accordingly, the 2018 annual inflation adjustments for the maximum penalties under the ACA are \$16,853 (\$16,516 × 1.02041) for violations and \$28,520 (\$27,950 × 1.02041) for knowing violations of the ACA. Finally, the 2018

annual inflation adjustment for the maximum penalty for violations under PFCRA is \$11,181 (\$10,957 × 1.02041).

Dated: December 18, 2017.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2017-0198]

Revision of the Guidance Document for Alternative Disposal Requests

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Draft guidance; public meeting and request for comment; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: On October 19, 2017, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requested public comment on the draft revision to its guidance document for alternative disposal requests entitled, “Guidance for the Reviews of Proposed Disposal Procedures and Transfers of Radioactive Material Under 10 CFR 20.2002 and 10 CFR 40.13(a).” The public comment period closed on December 18, 2017. The NRC has decided to reopen the public comment period to allow more time for members of the public to develop and submit their comments.

DATES: The comment period for the document published on October 19, 2017 (82 FR 48727) has been reopened and now closes on January 17, 2018. Comments received after this date will be considered, if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking website:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2017-0198. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *Mail comments to:* May Ma, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: OWFN-2-A13, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

For additional direction on obtaining and submitting comments, see “Obtaining Information and Submitting

Comments” in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert Lee Gladney, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-1022; email: Robert.Gladney@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2017-0198 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking website:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2017-0198.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select “ADAMS Public Documents” and then select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced (if it is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that it is mentioned in this document.

- *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID NRC-2017-0198 in your comment submission.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC posts all comment submissions at <http://www.regulations.gov> and enters the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission.

Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment submissions into ADAMS.

II. Discussion

On October 19, 2017, the NRC requested public comment on the draft revision to its guidance document for alternative disposal requests entitled, “Guidance for the Reviews of Proposed Disposal Procedures and Transfers of Radioactive Material Under 10 CFR 20.2002 and 10 CFR 40.13(a).” The purpose of this draft revision to the guidance is to improve the alternative disposal process by providing more clarity, consistency, and transparency to the process. In addition, this draft revision to the guidance also clarifies the meaning of disposal relative to 10 CFR 20.2002 authorizations to include recycling and reuse of materials. The draft revision to the guidance is available for public comment in ADAMS under accession number ML16326A063. The NRC is interested in receiving comments related to the draft revision to the guidance from stakeholders, including professional organizations, licensees, Agreement States, and members of the public. Comments will be considered to determine if additional changes to the draft revision to the guidance and the alternative disposal request process are needed.

The NRC received a request from a public stakeholder to extend the comment period for the draft revision to the alternative disposal requests guidance document in order to allow more time for members of the public to submit their comments. The comment period is being reopened and now closes on January 17, 2018.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 18th day of December 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

John Tappert,

Director, Division of Decommissioning, Uranium Recovery, and Waste Programs, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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