Know the Rules

You must follow federal procurement under grants rules when using federal disaster grants for contracted work. Failure to follow these procurement rules may result in the loss of funding. The federal procurement rules are listed in 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.317-200.326.

Prepare Now

Take steps now to prepare in advance and build resilient communities at: fema.gov/procurement-disaster-assistance-team

During an Emergency?

When a disaster strikes, communities must often act quickly to protect life, public health, safety, improved property, or more. The rules provide an exception to many of the federal procurement regulations during an emergency or exigent circumstance.

Do you need help defining what an emergency or exigent circumstance is?

Learn more at: fema.gov/procurement-disaster-assistance-team

Federal Disaster Grants and Contracting
FEMA Grant Programs

FEMA’s Public Assistance program awards grants to state, territorial, local, and federally recognized tribal governments, as well as certain private non-profit entities to assist them with the response to, and recovery from, federally declared disasters.

Recovering communities may not always have the resources on hand to properly respond to a disaster. When contracting out disaster work, applicants must make sure to follow the federal procurement regulations. Failure to follow the applicable rules may place your FEMA grant funding at risk.

Rebuild and Recover the Right Way

Increase your chance of securing funding

Reduce your risk of losing funding

Every year, recovering communities lose millions of dollars because of failure to comply with federal procurement regulations.

Avoid common mistakes by checking out the available resources to help you follow the rules for each step of the procurement process.

Explore the PDAT Website

✓ Discover what rules apply to you
✓ Find out which clauses are required for your contract
✓ Research which procurement method is best for you

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Contact Experts

✓ Contact your State Emergency Management Representative
✓ Work with your Public Assistance Program Staff
✓ Reach out to the federal and state legal experts working your disaster

Take a Training

Online and in-person trainings are available to help you understand how the federal procurement rules affect your contracts under grants.

Reach out to your state emergency management representative to schedule an online or in-person PDAT training today!