



**REVISION OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT MODIFICATIONS AND SUPPLEMENTAL
FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR MAJOR
MULTI-USER RESEARCH FACILITY PROJECTS AND FEDERALLY FUNDED
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTERS**

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 5, 2020

Unless otherwise specified in a special award condition of the cooperative agreement, or as modified below, the [Cooperative Agreement Financial & Administrative Terms and Conditions](#) (CA-FATC) dated October 5, 2020 are applicable to this cooperative agreement or cooperative support agreement. When the Modifications and Supplemental Financial & Administrative Terms and Conditions for Major Multi-User Research Facility Projects and Federally Funded Research and Development Centers or an award notice reference a particular section of the [Major Facilities Guide](#), then that section becomes part of the award requirements through incorporation by reference.

A summary of the changes is included below. Any questions regarding these changes may be directed to the Policy Office, Division of Institution and Award Support, at policy@nsf.gov.

Significant Changes

- **Equipment, Article 6.** This article has been revised to remove the exempt property consideration and is consistent with 2 CFR § 200.313 and 2 CFR § 200.316.
- **Acknowledgement, Article 28.** Requirements for naming and renaming NSF facilities have been added to this term.
- **Foreign Collaboration Considerations, Article 57.** Requirements related to foreign collaborations have been added to these terms.
- **Federally-owned Property, Article 63.** The name of the article has been changed from “NSF Owned Equipment and Real Property” to “Federally-owned Property”. Additionally, requirements related to reporting Federally-owned property have been added to these terms.
- **Recipient-titled Property, Article 64.** Requirements related to reporting Recipient-titled property in the final inventory report and *ad hoc* reporting have been added to these terms.
- **Energy Conservation, formally Article 73.** Requirements related to energy conservation have been removed from these terms.
- **Knowledge Management, Article 77.** Requirements related to participation in NSF’s Knowledge Management Program have been added to these terms.
- **Project Personnel and Competencies, Article 78.** Requirements related to Major Facility staff possessing professional competencies have been added to these terms.

Clarifications and Other Changes

- **Overall Document.** References have been updated to ensure consistency with the October 5, 2020 version of the CA-FATC.
- **Liability, Article 55.** Clarifies when an approved deductible will be reimbursed.
- **Contract Requirements, Article 61.** Clarifies notification to proceed to include NSF review of proposed activities and estimated costs.
- **Financial Statement Disclosure of Federally-owned Property, Article 65.** References to a \$70 Million dollar threshold have been removed and now the awardee must disclose the total book value of all individual designated Federally-owned property.
- **Motor Vehicle Management, Article 5 (FFRDC Section).** Clarifies the requirements to apply only when any motor vehicles are designated as Federally-owned property.