



REVISION OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) GRANT GENERAL CONDITIONS (GC-1)

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Effective October 1, 2010, new NSF grants and funding amendments to existing NSF grants¹ begin referencing and are subject to the *Grant General Conditions* (GC-1) dated 10/10. The complete text of the GC-1 (as well as other NSF grant policy issuances) is available electronically on the NSF website.² Except as noted below (and as reflected in each specific article), the *Grant General Conditions* apply to all new NSF grants and funding amendments to existing NSF grants awarded on or after October 1, 2010.

The exceptions to the applicability of these *Grant General Conditions* include:

- Article 18, which applies to new proposals submitted or due on or after January 4, 2010;
- Article 19, which applies to new grants of \$25,000 or more awarded on or after October 1, 2010; and
- Article 20, which applies to new grants awarded on or after October 1, 2010.

A comprehensive 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, on (703) 292-8243 or by e-mail to policy@nsf.gov.

Significant Changes to the NSF Grant General Conditions, dated 10/10

- **Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation, Article 19**, is a new Article which implements the award term specified in the OMB interim final guidance (September 14, 2010, 75 FR 22705). This Article requires recipients to report information regarding first-tier subawards in excess of \$25,000, and executive compensation information under those awards.
- **Central Contractor Registration and Universal Identifier Requirements, Article 20**, is a new Article which implements the award term specified in the OMB final guidance (September 14, 2010, 75 FR 22706). This Article requires recipients to maintain current Central Contractor Registration at all times when they have an active award with NSF. Recipients also may not make a subaward to an entity, unless the entity has provided its Dun & Bradstreet (DUNS) number to the recipient.

¹ The NSF Grant General Conditions apply to grants made to For-profit organizations (other than Small Business Innovation Research awardees) and State and local governments.

² The Policy Office website address is: <http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/>

Clarifications and Other Changes to the NSF Grant General Conditions, dated 10/10

- **Cost Sharing and Cost Sharing Records, Article 25**, includes language clarifying when cost sharing notifications are considered due and overdue.