



DAIRY BUSINESS INNOVATION INITIATIVES PROGRAM-SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In addition to the [AMS General Terms and Conditions](#), the following terms and conditions apply for Dairy Business Innovation (DBI) Initiative. If there is inconsistency between the AMS General Terms and Conditions and the following DBI program-specific terms and conditions, this document will take precedence.

1.0 ALLOWABLE AND UNALLOWABLE EQUIPMENT

Initiatives shall provide subawards to new and existing businesses for the purposes outlined in the statute. (See section 1.3.2 of the Request for Applications.) These purposes are:

1. Modernization, specialization, and grazing transition on dairy farms;
2. Value chain and commodity innovation and facility and process updates for dairy processors; and
3. Product development, packaging, and marketing of dairy products.

DBI subawards that include special purpose equipment are allowable if the special purpose equipment aligns with one or more of the above goals and the criteria outlined below. The following chart describes the difference between general and special purpose equipment purchases by both the Initiative and its subrecipients.

Cost Category	Description, Guidance and Exceptions
Equipment	<p>Unallowable for acquisition costs of general purpose equipment (e.g., office furniture, air conditioners, or printers and copiers) or lease agreements to own (i.e., lease-to-own or rent-to-own).</p> <p>Allowable for special purpose equipment (e.g., milking equipment, refrigerated storage units, or dairy product delivery vehicles), when included in the approved budget or with prior written approval for acquisition costs and rental costs of special purpose equipment provided the following criteria are met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Necessary for the research, scientific, or other technical activities of the grant agreement; 2. Not otherwise reasonably available and accessible; 3. The type of equipment is normally charged as a direct cost by the organization; 4. Acquired in accordance with organizational practices; 5. Must be used solely to meet the legislative purpose of the grant program and objectives of the grant agreement; 6. Equipment is subject to the full range of acquisition, use, management, and disposition requirements under 2 CFR § 200.313 as applicable. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The non-Federal entity must not use equipment acquired with the Federal award to provide services for a fee that is less than private companies charge for equivalent services.