

MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION READINESS GRANT (MPRIG) PROGRAM-SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In addition to the [AMS General Terms and Conditions](#), the following terms and conditions apply for MPRIG awards due to the specific requirements of this program. In the situation that there is inconsistency between the AMS General Terms and Conditions and the MPRIG program specific terms and conditions, this document will take precedence.

1.0 APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

As a condition of this award, the recipient assures and certifies that it will comply with the requirements contained in the [AMS General Terms and Conditions](#), as well as the following statutes and regulations, as applicable.

1. 21 U.S.C. 601 – [“Federal Meat Inspection Act”](#)
2. 21 U.S.C. 451 – [“Poultry Products Inspection Act”](#)
3. 21 U.S.C. 683 – [“Cooperative Interstate Shipment Program –Meat”](#)
4. 21 U.S.C. 472 – [“Cooperative Interstate Shipment Program – Poultry”](#)
5. 9 CFR parts 301 through 381 – [“Mandatory Meat and Poultry Products Inspection and Voluntary Inspection and Certification”](#)
6. 9 CFR parts 416 through 500 – [“Regulatory Requirements under the Federal Meat Inspection and the Poultry Products Inspection Act”](#)
7. 9 CFR parts 530 through 561 – [“Mandatory inspection of Fish of the order Siluriformes and Products of Such Fish”](#)
8. 9 CFR parts 590 through 592 – [“Egg Products inspection”](#)
9. 40 CFR part 141 – [“National Primary Drinking Water Regulations”](#)
10. [National Environmental Policy Act \(NEPA\)](#)

2.0 ALLOWABLE AND UNALLOWABLE COST AND ACTIVITIES

Cost Category	Description, Guidance and Exceptions
Building and Land-Construction	Allowable for the acquisition of buildings, facilities, or land or to make additions, improvements, modifications, replacements, rearrangements, reinstallations, renovations, or alterations of an existing building or facility (including site grading and improvement, and architecture fees). This also includes construction and construction-related materials, which may include, but are not limited to, the purchase of building materials such as wood, nails, concrete, asphalt, roofing, gravel, sand, paint, insulation, drywall, or plumbing.
Equipment	Allowable with prior approval for acquisition costs of general-purpose equipment. Recipients should consider rental cost of general-purpose equipment as their first option. Allowable for the acquisition of special purpose equipment.

Cost Category	Description, Guidance and Exceptions
Compensation for Damage	Unallowable for recipients to receive compensation for injuries or damage to property arising from project activities.
Marketing Costs	Unallowable for recipients to use funds for marketing their product(s) or organization.

3.0 NO COST EXTENSION

The recipient must have received a federal meat or poultry inspection or acquired a cooperative interstate shipment program (CIS) certification within 36 months of the initial period of the grant agreement to avoid having to return awarded funds. A one (1) year cost extension will may be granted beyond the 36 month limit to receive a federal grant of inspection, CIS compliance requirement, or to complete work related to the proposed project. A request for a no cost extension must be submitted 10 days prior to the ending date of the grant agreement.

4.0 CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT

Per Executive Order [13858](#) and [2 CFR §200.322](#), recipients should, to the greatest extent practical, provide a preference for the purchase , acquisition, or use of goods products, or materials produced in the United States. This includes but are not limited to iron and aluminum as well steel, cement, and other manufactured products produced in the U.S. in every contract, subcontract, purchase order or subaward.

Title to nonexpendable equipment purchased with award funds will vest in the recipient upon completion of the award project and acceptance by AMS of required final reports. Please refer to section 12.0 of [AMS General Terms and Conditions](#) for equipment disposition instructions.

5.0 REAL PROPERTY

The recipient cannot encumber property acquired or improved as part of the grant award and must follow the requirements of [2 CFR §200.311](#) before disposing of the property. The real property will be used for the originally authorized purpose as long as needed for that purpose. When real property is no longer needed for the originally authorized purpose, the recipient must obtain disposition instructions from AMS. The following alternatives will apply:

1. Retain title after compensating the Federal awarding agency as described in 2 CFR Part 200.311(c)(1);
2. Sell the property and compensate the federal awarding agency as specified in 2 CFR Part 200.311(c)(2); or
3. Transfer the title to the Federal awarding agency or to a third Party designated/approved by the Federal awarding agency as specified in 2 CFR Part 200.311(c)(3).

6.0 AWARD CLOSEOUT

In addition to the closeout requirements stated in section 14.0 of [AMS General Terms and Conditions](#), the recipient must submit the following documentation to demonstrate they have successfully met the project and program goals.

1. [USDA Federal Grant of Inspection Certification](#);
2. Documentation that the recipient is approved to participate in the [USDA Cooperative Interstate Shipment program](#);
3. If unable to fulfill the goals of the project, an official letter signed by the AOR demonstrating activities made toward a good faith effort to comply with the program requirements.

7.0 NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

AMS is responsible for ensuring that funded activities comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). AMS will determine whether NEPA applies and determine the appropriate level of environmental review. AMS may request additional information from applicants for purposes of completing an environmental review.