

**§ 101-17.003-1 Space assignment.**

*Space assignment* means an administrative action which authorizes the occupancy and use by a Federal agency or other eligible entity of building space and land areas incidental thereto.

**§ 101-17.003-2 General purpose space.**

*General purpose space* means space in buildings under the assignment responsibility of GSA, including land incidental to the use thereof, which may be suitable for the use of agencies generally, as determined by GSA. The following categories of space are specifically excluded from this definition:

(a) Space in any building located in a foreign country.

(b) Space in buildings which are located on the grounds of any fort, camp, post, arsenal, navy yard, naval training station, airbase, proving ground, missile site, military academy or school, or any similar facility of the Department of Defense or U.S. Coast Guard, unless and to such an extent as a permit for its use by other agencies shall have been issued by the Secretary of Defense, or the Secretary of Transportation, as appropriate, or their duly authorized representatives.

(c) Space in the Executive Mansion, Capitol Building, the Senate and House Office Buildings, the Capitol power plant, the buildings under the jurisdiction of the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, and the Congressional Library Building.

(d) Space in the Treasury Building, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing Building, and the buildings occupied by the National Bureau of Standards.

**§ 101-17.003-2a Types of general purpose space.**

Space as defined in § 101-17.003-2 is categorized as being of the office, storage, or special type. The physical characteristics of the space are the basis for determining the proper space category.

(a) *Office space* means space that must provide an acceptable environment suitable in its present state for an office operation. This requirement includes, but is not limited to, adequate lighting, air-conditioning, heating, ventilation, floor covering, fin-

ished walls, and accessibility. The space may consist of a large open area or may be partitioned into rooms. Private corridors, closets, and similar areas which have been created within office-type space through the erection of partitions shall be classified as office space. The following are representative of uses of office space.

- (1) General purpose office space.
- (2) Private corridors.
- (3) Conference rooms (without special equipment and additional heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning—HVAC).
- (4) Training rooms (without special equipment and HVAC).
- (5) Libraries (without extensive built-in stacks and special floor loading).
- (6) Dry laboratories.
- (7) Storage in office space.
- (8) Credit unions (without fixed equipment).
- (9) Lounges (other than toilet areas).
- (10) Reception areas.
- (11) Hearing rooms (without special equipment and HVAC).
- (12) Telephone switchboard rooms.
- (13) Mail rooms.
- (14) Health rooms (without special equipment).

(b) *Storage space* means space generally consisting of concrete, woodblock or unfinished floors, bare block or brick interior walls, unfinished ceiling, and similar construction containing minimal lighting and heating. This type of space would include attics, basements, warehouses, sheds, unimproved areas of loft buildings, and unimproved building cores. All storage space will be classified under subsets of general storage area, inside parking area, or warehouse areas as follows:

- (1) General storage areas (storage in general purpose buildings) including:
  - (i) Basements.
  - (ii) Attics.
  - (iii) Closets (not finished to office standards).
  - (iv) Supply rooms (not finished to office standards).
  - (v) Storerooms (not finished to office standards).
  - (vi) File rooms (not finished to office standards).
  - (vii) Warehouse areas of multiuse buildings.
- (2) Inside parking areas (garage space located in either a federally owned or