

invitation shall provide that the purchaser or lessee shall procure and maintain at his expense during the term credit is extended, or the period of the lease, such insurance in such amounts as may be required by the Government; required insurance shall be in companies acceptable to the Government and shall include such terms and provisions as may be required to provide coverage satisfactory to the Government.

[29 FR 16126, Dec. 3, 1964, as amended at 33 FR 12003, Aug. 23, 1968; 42 FR 47205, Sept. 20, 1977]

**§ 101-47.304-5 Inspection.**

All persons interested in the acquisition of surplus property available for disposal under this subpart 101-47.3 shall, with the cooperation of the holding agency, where necessary, and with due regard to its program activities, be permitted to make a complete inspection of such property, including any available inventory records, plans, specifications, and engineering reports made in connection therewith, subject to any necessary restrictions in the interest of national security and subject to such rules as may be prescribed by the disposal agency.

(See §§ 101-47.304-13 and 101-47.403.)

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**§ 101-47.304-6 Submission of offers.**

All offers to purchase or lease shall be in writing, accompanied by any required earnest money deposit, using the form prescribed by the disposal agency and, in addition to the financial terms upon which the offer is predicated, shall set forth the willingness of the offeror to abide by the terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions upon which the property is offered, and shall contain such other information as the disposal agency may request.

**§ 101-47.304-7 Advertised disposals.**

(a) All disposals or contracts for disposal of surplus property, except as provided in §§ 101-47.304-9 and 101-47.304-10, shall be made after publicly advertising for bids.

(1) The advertising for bids shall be made at such time previous to the disposal or contract, through such meth-

ods and on such terms and conditions as shall permit that full and free competition which is consistent with the value and nature of the property involved. The advertisement shall designate the place to which the bids are to be delivered or mailed, and shall state the place, date, and time of public opening.

(2) All bids shall be publicly disclosed at the time and place stated in the advertisement.

(3) Award shall be made with reasonable promptness by notice to the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming to the invitation for bids, will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered: *Provided*, That all bids may be rejected when it is in the public interest to do so.

(b) Disposal and contracts for disposal of surplus property may be made through contract auctioneers when authorized by GSA. The auctioneer retained under contract shall be required to publicly advertise for bids in accordance with the applicable provisions of this § 101-47.304-7.

**§ 101-47.304-8 [Reserved]**

**§ 101-47.304-9 Negotiated disposals.**

(a) Disposal agencies shall obtain such competition as is feasible under the circumstances in all negotiations of disposals and contracts for disposal of surplus property. They may dispose of surplus property by negotiation only in the following situations:

(1) When the estimated fair market value of the property involved does not exceed \$15,000;

(2) When bid prices after advertising therefor are not reasonable (either as to all or some part of the property) or have not been independently arrived at in open competition;

(3) When the character or conditions of the property or unusual circumstances make it impractical to advertise publicly for competitive bids and the fair market value of the property and other satisfactory terms of disposal can be obtained by negotiation;

(4) When the disposals will be to States, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, possessions, political subdivisions thereof, or tax-supported agencies