36.603 Collecting data on and appraising firms qualifications.

(a) *Establishing offices*. Agencies *shall* maintain offices or permanent evaluation boards, or arrange to use the offices or boards of other agencies, to receive and maintain data on firms wishing to be considered for Government contracts. Each office or board *shall* be assigned a jurisdiction by its parent agency, making it responsible for a geographical region or area, or a specialized type of *construction*.

(b) *Qualifications data*. To be considered for architect-engineer contracts, a firm *must* file with the appropriate office or board the <u>Standard Form 330</u>, "Architect-Engineer Qualifications," Part II, and when applicable, <u>SF 330</u>, Part I.

(c) Data files and the classification of firms. Under the direction of the parent agency, offices or permanent evaluation boards *shall* maintain an architect-engineer qualifications data file. These offices or boards *shall* review the $\underline{SF 330}$ filed, and *shall* classify each firm with respect to-

(1) Location;

(2) Specialized experience;

(3) Professional capabilities; and

(4) Capacity, with respect to the scope of work that can be undertaken. A firm's ability and experience in computer-assisted design *should* be considered, when appropriate.

(d) *Currency of files.* Any office or board maintaining qualifications data files *shall* review and update each file at least once a year. This process *should* include:

(1) Encouraging firms to submit annually an updated statement of qualifications and performance data on a $\underline{SF 330}$, Part II.

(2) Reviewing the <u>SF 330</u>, Part II, and, if necessary, updating the firm's classification (see 36.603(c)).

(3) Recording any contract awards made to the firm in the past year.

(4) Assuring that the file contains a copy of each pertinent performance evaluation (see 42.1502(f)).

(5) Discarding any material that has not been updated within the past three years, if it is no longer pertinent, see 42.1502(f).

(6) Posting the date of the review in the file.

(e) *Use of data files.* Evaluation boards and other appropriate Government employees, including *contracting officers, shall* use data files on firms.

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