

SUBPART 233.1—PROTESTS
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233.102 General.

If the Government exercises the authority provided in [239.7305](#)(d) to limit disclosure of information, no action undertaken by the Government under such authority shall be subject to review in a bid protest before the Government Accountability Office (GAO) or in any Federal court (see subpart [239.73](#)).

233.104 Protests to GAO.

(c)(1) In lieu of the time periods in FAR 33.104(c)(1), contracting officers shall immediately suspend performance or terminate the awarded contract, task order, or delivery order upon notice from the GAO of a protest filed within the time periods listed in paragraphs (c)(1)(A) through (D) of this section, whichever is later, except as provided in FAR 33.104(c)(2) and (3)—

(A) Within 10 days after the date of contract award;

(B) Within 10 days after the date a task order or delivery order is issued, where the value exceeds \$25 million (10 U.S.C. 2304c(e));

(C) Within 5 days after a debriefing date offered to the protestor under a timely debriefing request in accordance with FAR 15.506 regardless of whether the protestor rejected the offered debriefing date, unless an earlier debriefing date is negotiated as a result; or

(D) Within 5 days after a postaward debriefing under FAR 15.506 is concluded in accordance with [215.506-70](#)(b).

233.170 Briefing requirement for protested acquisitions valued at \$1 billion or more.

Follow the procedures at [PGI 233.170](#) for briefing protested acquisitions valued at \$1 billion or more.

233.171 Reporting requirement for protests of solicitations or awards.

Follow the procedures at [PGI 233.171](#) for reporting information on protests involving the same contract award or proposed award that have been filed at both the GAO and the United States Court of Federal Claims.