

§ 511. Opening bids; bonds

The sealed proposals to furnish paper and envelopes shall be opened in the presence of the Joint Committee on Printing who shall award the contracts to the lowest and best bidder for the interest of the Government. The committee¹ may not consider a proposal that is not accompanied by a bond with security or certified check in the amount of \$5,000, guaranteeing that the bidder if his proposal is accepted, will enter into a formal contract with the United States to furnish the paper or envelopes specified. The Committee may not consider a proposal from a person unknown to it unless accompanied by satisfactory evidence that he is a manufacturer of or dealer in the description of paper or envelopes proposed to be furnished.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 7 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 5, 28 Stat. 602; June 16, 1938, ch. 477, § 3, 52 Stat. 761).

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 515, 1121 of this title; title 22 section 3714b; title 35 section 2.

§ 512. Approval of paper contracts; time for performance; bonds

A contract for furnishing paper is not valid until approved by the Joint Committee on Printing. The award of a contract for furnishing paper shall designate a reasonable time for its performance. The contractor shall give bond in an amount fixed and approved by the Committee.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 8 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 6, 28 Stat. 602; Mar. 3, 1917, ch. 163, § 6, 39 Stat. 1121).

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 515, 1121 of this title; title 22 section 3714b; title 35 section 2.

§ 513. Comparison of paper and envelopes with standard quality

The Public Printer shall compare every lot of paper and envelopes delivered by a contractor with the standard of quality fixed upon by the Joint Committee on Printing, and may not accept paper or envelopes which do not conform to it in every particular. A lot of delivered paper or envelopes which does not conform to the standard of quality may be accepted by the Committee at a discount that in its opinion is sufficient to protect the interests of the Government.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 9 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 7, 28 Stat. 602; June 20, 1936, ch. 630, title VIII, § 13, 49 Stat. 1553).

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 515, 1121 of this title; title 22 section 3714b; title 35 section 2.

¹ So in original. Probably should be capitalized.

§ 514. Determination of quality of paper

The Joint Committee on Printing shall determine differences of opinion between the Public Printer and a contractor for paper respecting the paper's quality; and the decision of the Committee is final as to the United States.

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Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 10 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 8, 28 Stat. 602; Mar. 3, 1917, ch. 163, § 6, 39 Stat. 1121).

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 515, 1121 of this title; title 22 section 3714b; title 35 section 2.

§ 515. Default of contractor; new contracts and purchase in open market

If a contractor fails to comply with his contract, the Public Printer shall report the default to the Joint Committee on Printing, and under its direction, enter into a new contract with the lowest, best, and most responsible bidder for the interest of the Government among those whose proposals were rejected at the last opening of bids, or he shall advertise for new proposals, under the regulations provided by sections 509-517 of this title. During the interval that may thus occur he may, under the direction of the Joint Committee on Printing, purchase in open market, at the lowest market price, paper necessary for the public printing.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 11 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 9, 28 Stat. 602; Mar. 3, 1917, ch. 163, § 6, 39 Stat. 1121).

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 1121 of this title; title 22 section 3714b; title 35 section 2.

§ 516. Liability of defaulting contractor

Upon failure to furnish paper, a contractor and his sureties shall be responsible for any increase of cost to the Government in procuring a supply of the paper consequent upon his default. The Public Printer shall report every default, with a full statement of all the facts in the case, to the General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury, who shall prosecute the defaulting contractor and his sureties upon their bond in the district court of the United States in the district in which the defaulting contractor resides.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1245.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 12 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 10, 28 Stat. 602; Mar. 3, 1911, ch. 231, § 291, 36 Stat. 1167; May 10, 1934, ch. 277, § 512(b), 48 Stat. 759).

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 515, 1121 of this title; title 22 section 3714b; title 35 section 2.

§ 517. Purchase of paper in open market

The Joint Committee on Printing may authorize the Public Printer to purchase paper in open market when they consider the quantity re-