

6A-7.0710 Instructional Materials Evaluation Procedures.

(1) Publishers and manufacturers of instructional materials may submit sealed bids or proposals for the adoption of instructional materials by the Department of Education in response to the advertisement required by section 1006.33(1), F.S. The Policies and Procedures Specifications for the Florida Instructional Materials Adoption (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-40030>) is hereby incorporated by reference (effective October 2019 ~~November 2018~~) and will be available on the Florida Department of Education's Office of Instructional Materials website at <http://www.fldoe.org/academics/standards/instructional-materials>.

(2) The following forms shall be submitted by instructional materials publishers or manufacturers when proposing instructional materials for adoption and are hereby incorporated by reference in this rule. These forms may be found on the Florida Instructional Materials Adoption Publisher Registration and online Bid Process Portal at <https://www.flimadoption.org> ~~<https://web01.fldoe.org/InstructMat/Publisher/Account/Login.aspx>~~ or by contacting the Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Room 424, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(a) through (m) No change.

(n) Form IM18, No Common Core and Common Core Standards Assurance (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=>) (Effective October 2019).

(3) through (4) No change.

(5) Publishers may request permission to substitute editions of adopted materials.

(a) A publisher requesting a substitution of materials must make the request in writing by completing Form IM17, Substitution Policies and Procedures, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=>) which is available by request to IMStaff@fldoe.org and is hereby incorporated by reference (effective October 2019).

(b) Substitution of instructional materials submitted by publishers or manufacturers on a completed Form IM17, entitled Substitution Policies and Procedures, will be evaluated for approval based upon the following criteria:

1. The instructional materials are currently approved for adoption.
2. More than six (6) months have elapsed since execution of the contract with the Department of Education.
3. The materials must be revised editions that correct or update content.
4. The revised edition can be used satisfactorily with the currently adopted edition simultaneously in the same classroom.

5. The materials are identical, equal or superior to the specifications of the currently adopted edition, and

6. The materials are available at no increase in price.

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