

Chapter 22

Acronyms Common to ARS, USDA, and REE

Acronyms

Associations, Organizations, and Societies

Acronyms

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A

AA	Associate Administrator
AAD	Associate Area Director
AMS	Agency Asset Management System
ABFO	Area Budget and Fiscal Officer
A/C	Accounting Code
AC	Administrator's Council
ACS	Agricultural Cooperative Service
ACS	Area Computer Specialist
AD	Area Director
ADA	Associate Deputy Administrator
ADAAM	Associate Deputy Administrator, Administrative Management
ADO	Authorized Departmental Officer
ADODR	Authorized Departmental Officer's Designated Representative
ADP	Automated Data Processing
A-E	Architect-Engineer
AES	Agricultural Experiment Station
AFM	Administrative and Financial Management

AFRI	Agriculture and Food Research Initiative
AFV	Alternative Fuel Vehicle
AGPMR	Agriculture Property Management Regulation
AHERA	Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act
AIMS	Agreement Information Management System
A/L	Annual Leave
ALOC	Acceptable Level of Competence
AM	Administrative Management
AMRB	Area Real Property Asset Management Review Board
AMS	Agricultural Marketing Service
AO	Administrative Officer
AOD	Administrative Operations Division
APHIS	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
APMO	Area Property Management Officer
APMT	Area Property Management Technician
APO	Accountable Property Officer
ARD	Automatic Release Date
ARIS	Agricultural Research Information System
ARMP	Annual Resource Management Plan
ARMPS	Annual Resource Management Plan System
ARMS	ARS Resource Management System
ARS	Agricultural Research Service
ARSITS	Agricultural Research Service Invention Tracking System
ASAP	As Soon as Possible
ASB	Accounting Services Branch
ASE	Actual Subsistence Expense
ASHM	Area Safety and Health Manager
ATA	Area Travel Assistant
ATM	Automated Teller Machine

ATR Agriculture Travel Regulations
AUO Area Utilization Officer
AWOL Absent Without Leave

B

B&F Budget and Fiscal
BA Beltsville Area
BARC Beltsville Agricultural Research Center
BARD Binational Agricultural Research and Development
BCA Board of Contract Appeals
BFSB Budget and Fiscal Services Branch, FMD
BLM Bureau of Land Management
BM&T Broadcast Media and Technology
BOC Budget Object Class
BOCC Budget Object Class Code
BPMS Budget and Program Management Staff
BRM Business Reply Mail
BSO Biological Safety Officer

C

CAA Clean Air Act
CAD Contracting and Assistance Division
CARE Consolidated Assistance, Review, and Evaluation
CATS CRIS Allocation Tracking System
CBA Centrally Billed Account
CC Common Carrier
CC Credit Card
CCC Commodity Credit Corporation

CCR	Central Contractor Registration
CD	Center Director
CDL	Commercial Drivers License
CDSD	Communications and Data Services Division
CDSO	Collateral Duty Safety Officer
CDW	Collision Damage Waiver
CEP	Career Enhancement Program
CEPS	Cluster Environmental Protection Specialist
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
CFC	Combined Federal Campaign
CFL	Computers for Learning
CFPDC	Consolidated Forms and Publications Distribution Center
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CG	Comptroller General
CMCO	Classified Material Control Officer
CMU	Correspondence Management Unit
CO	Contracting Officer
COB	Close of Business
COLA	Cost of Living Allowance
CONUS	Continental United States
COP	Continuation of Pay
CO-PI	Cooperative Principal Investigator
COR	Contracting Officer's Representative
COTR	Contracting Officer's Technical Representative

CPAIS-PP	Corporate Property Automated Information System –Personal Property
CPAIS-RP	Corporate Property Automated Information System – Real Property
CPHST	Center for Plant Health Science and Technology
CPRP	Capital Project and Repair Plan
CR	Civil Rights (see ODEO)
CRADA	Cooperative Research and Development Agreement
CRAS	CRIS Resource Allocation Schedule
CRIS	Current Research Information System
CRP	Cooperative Resolution Program
CRSA	Civil Rights Self Assessment
CS	Contract Specialist
CSRA	Civil Service Reform Act
CSREES	Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service
CSRS	Civil Service Retirement System
CTAP	Career Transition Assistance Program
CWA	Clean Water Act
CY	Calendar Year

D

DA	Deputy Administrator
DAD	Deputy Area Director
DAAM	Deputy Administrator, Administrative Management
DAEA	Designated Area Ethics Advisor
DDES	Demonstration and Delegated Examining Section, REE Policy Branch
DEMO	USDA Demonstration Project
DEPPC	Departmental Excess Personal Property Coordinator

DEU	Delegated Examining Unit
DLA	Defense Logistics Agency, Department of Defense
DM	Department Manual
DMM	Domestic Mail Manual
DO	Decision Official
DOD	Department of Defense
DOI	Digital Object Identifier
DOJ	Department of Justice
DPM	Department Personnel Manual
DR	Department Regulation
DUNS	Data Universal Numbering System
DUR	Dual Use Research
DSS	Decision Support Software
E	
EAD	Extramural Agreements Division
EAP	Employee Assistance Program
EAS	Economic Analysis Staff
EAS	Employee Appeals Staff
EAS	Extramural Agreements Specialist
EC&R	Executive Correspondence and Records Unit, Office of Operations
EDS	Electronic Data Services
EEOC	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
EEO/CR	Equal Employment Opportunity/Civil Rights/Diversity
EEOO	Equal Employment Opportunity Officer
EMS	Economics Management Staff
EMS	Environmental Management System
EO	Executive Order
EOD	Enter on Duty

EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPCRA	Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act
EPLS	Excluded Parties List System
ER	Employee Relations
ERC	Equipment Review Committee
ERRC	Eastern Regional Research Center
ERS	Economic Research Service
ERUR	Expert Review of Unit Research
ES	Extension Service
ESB CAD	Extramural Services Branch, Contracting and Assistance Division

F

FAA	Foreign Agricultural Affairs, FAS
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organization
FARC	Federal Archives and Records Center
FAS	Foreign Agricultural Service
FATA	Federal Agency Travel Administrator
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation
FCIC	Federal Crop Insurance Corporation
FCMD	Facilities Construction Management Division
FD	Facilities Division
FDC	Financial Data Code
FECA	Federal Employees Compensation Act
FEGLI	Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance
FEHB	Federal Employees Health Benefits
FEORP	Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program
FEPA	Federal Employee Pay Act
FEPCA	Federal Employees Pay Comparability Act of 1990
FERS	Federal Employees Retirement System

FES	Factor Evaluation System
FFIS	Foundation Financial Information System
FGIS	Federal Grain Inspection Service
FHB	Fusarium Head Blight
FIFRA	Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
FMLA	Family and Medical Leave Act
FLSA	Fair Labor Standards Act
FMD	Financial Management Division
FMMI	Financial Management Modernization Initiative
FNS	Food and Nutrition Service
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
FOMC	Facilities Operation Maintenance Contract
FPL	Full Performance Level
FPM	Federal Personnel Manual
FPMR	Federal Property Management Regulations
FPR	Federal Procurement Regulations
FPRS	Federal Property Resource Services, GSA
FPS	Federal Protective Service
FR	Federal Register
FRC	Federal Records Center
FS	Forest Service
FSA	Farm Service Agency
FSA	Flexible Spending Account
FSC	Federal Supply Classification
FSIS	Food Safety and Inspection Service
FSS	Federal Supply Schedule
FT	Full Time (Tour of Duty)
FTCA	Federal Tort Claims Act
FTD	Federal Travel Directory

FTE	Full Time Equivalent
FTIS	Foreign Travel Information System
FTR	Federal Travel Regulations
FTS	Federal Telecommunications System
FTTA	Federal Technology Transfer Act
FTU	Foreign Travel Unit, FAS
FWS	Federal Wage System
FY	Fiscal Year

G

GAMS	Grants and Agreements Management Staff, CAD
GAO	General Accountability Office
GIPSA	Grain Inspection and Packers and Stockyards Administration
GM	GS Employees in the Performance Management & Recognition System
GNA	Guide Not Applicable (decision)
GOV	Government Owned Vehicle
GPO	Government Printing Office
GPRA	Government Performance and Results Act
GS	General Schedule Pay Plan
GS	Graduate School (USDA)
GSA	General Services Administration
GSAXcess	General Services Administration Excess System
GSD	General Services Division
GTR	Government Transportation Request
GVTS	Government Transportation System

H

HNIS	Human Nutrition Information Service
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HPRL	High Priority Requirement List
HQ	Headquarters
HRD	Human Resources Division, AFM
HSPD12	Homeland Security Presidential Directive #12
HW	Hazardous Waste
HWC	Hazardous Waste Cleanup

I

IAS	Integrated Acquisition System
IBA	Individually Billed Account
ID	Identification Security
IDO	Informal Deciding Official
IDP	Individual Development Plan
IDR	In-depth Review or Reviewer
IFB	Insufficient Factual Basis (decision)
IH	Industrial Hygiene/Hygienist
IPSC	Indirect Program Support Cost
IR	Invention Report
IRC	Indirect Research Cost
IRIS	Information Resource Inquiry System
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
IS	Information Staff
IS	Interpretive Summary
ISTD	Information Systems and Technology Division
IT	Information Technology
ITP	Individual Training Plan
ITS	Information Technology Specialist

J-K

JO	Judicial Officer
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KSA Knowledge, Skills and Ability

L

L/A Letter of Authorization

LA Limited Appointment

LAPC Location Agency Program Coordinator

LAT Location Administrative Technician

LC Location Coordinator

LD Laboratory Director

LERB Labor Employee Relations Branch

LFPC Local Fleet Program Coordinator

LL Location Leader

LOA Line of Accounting

LOC Locations

LRPO Location Radiation Protection Officer

LS Lead Scientist

LS Legislative Staff

LSO Location Safety Officer

LWOP Leave Without Pay

M

M&IE Meals and Incidental Expenses

MAEA Mission Area Ethics Advisor

MM Mail Manager

MOA Memorandum of Agreement

MOU Memorandum of Understanding

MRMD Mail and Reproduction Management Division, Office of Operations

MSA Mid South Area

MSPB Merit Systems Protection Board

MTA	Material Transfer Agreement
MU	Management Unit
MWA	Midwest Area
N	
NAA	North Atlantic Area
NACOP	National Advisory Council for Office Professionals
NADC	National Animal Disease Center
NAL	National Agricultural Library
NARA	National Archives and Records Administration
NARDAC	National Regional Data Automation Center
NARS	National Archives and Records Service
NASPDP	Newly Appointed Scientist Professional Development Program
NASS	National Agricultural Statistics Service
NCAUR	National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NFC	National Finance Center
NFCA	Non-Funded Cooperative Agreement
NIFA	National Institute of Food and Agriculture
NIH	National Institutes of Health
NIRS	Near Infrared Spectroscopy
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NP	National Program
NPA	Northern Plains Area
NPACOP	Northern Plains Area Council of Office Professionals
NPI	National Pathogen Inventory
NPL	National Program Leader
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service

NRI-CGP	National Research Institute - Competitive Grants Program
NRRC	Natural Resources Research Center
NRRC	Northern Regional Research Center
NRRU	Natural Resources Research Update
NSF	National Science Foundation
NTE	Not to Exceed
NTIS	National Technology Information Service
NTTC	National Technology Transfer Coordinator

O

O&F	Office of Operations and Finance
O&M	Operation and Maintenance
OA	Office Automation
OA	Office of the Administrator
OAA	Office of the Associate Administrator
OAE	Office of Advocacy and Enterprise
OALJ	Office of Administrative Law Judges
OBPA	Office of Budget and Program Analysis, USDA
OCA	Office of the Consumer Advisor
OCE	Office of Chief Economist
OCI	Office of Cooperative Interactions
OCIO	Office Chief Information Officer
OCONUS	Outside Continental United States
ODEO	Office of Outreach, Diversity, and Equal Opportunity
ODS	Official Duty Station
OE	Office of Energy
OFM	Office of Finance and Management
OGC	Office of the General Counsel
OGE	Office of Government Ethics

OHR	Office of Human Resources
OICD	Office of International Cooperation and Development
OIG	Office of Inspector General
OIRM	Office of Information Resources Management
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OMSP	Occupational Medical Surveillance Program
ONP	Office of National Programs
OO	Office of Operations
OP	Office of Personnel
OPA	Office of Public Affairs
OPF	Official Personnel Folder
OPM	U.S. Office of Personnel Management
ORCA	Online Representations and Certifications Application
OSC	Office of Special Counsel
OSEC	Office of Secretary
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Act/Administration
OSQR	Office of Scientific Quality Review
OT	Office of Transportation
OTT	Office of Technology Transfer
OWCP	Office of Workers Compensation Program

P

P&P	Policies and Procedures
PA	Program Analyst
PA	Patent Advisor
PA	Privacy Act
PAA	Program Analyst Assistant
PAIS	Property Accounting Information System
PAO	Procurement Assistance Officer

PB	Publications Branch
PC	Patent Committee
PCMI	President's Council on Management Improvement
PCS	Permanent Change of Station
PD	Per Diem Allowance
PD	Personnel Division
PD	Position Description
PDRAM	Program Direction Resource Allocation Memo
PDS	Permanent Duty Station
PDS	Project Data Sheet
PFT	Permanent Full Time
PI	Principal Investigator
PIADC	Plum Island Animal Disease Center
PINQ	Personnel Inquiry System
PIP	Performance Improvement Plan
PL	Public Law
PM	Program Management
PMAR	Precious Metals Recovery Representative, Defense Logistics Agency, DOD
PMB	Property Management Branch
PMO	Property Management Officer
PMRS	Performance Management Recognition System
PMT	Property Management Technician
POB	Personnel Operations Branch, PD
POD	Post of Duty
POV	Privately Owned Vehicle
PPO	Project Plan Outline
PPMS	Personal Property Management Section
PPPM	Payroll/Personnel Processing Manual
PPSB	Personnel Policy and Systems Branch, PD

PRB	Performance Review Board
PRC	People's Republic of China
PROP	Personal Property System (PROP)
PSA	Packers and Stockyards Administration
PSA	Program Support Assistant
PSP	Position Staffing Plan
PT	Part Time Tour of Duty
PTO	Patent and Trademark Office
PVPA	Plant Variety Protection Act
PVPC	Plant Variety Protection Certificate
PWA	Pacific West Area
Q-R	
R&M	Repair and Maintenance
RA	Research Associate
RAP	Research Apprenticeship Program
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RD	Rural Development
REA	Rural Electrification Administration
REE	Research, Education and Economics
REWO	Real Estate Warrant Officer
RG	Records Group
RGEG	Research Grade Evaluation Guide
RIF	Reduction in Force
RL	Research Leader
RMO	Records Management Officer
RO	Responsible Official
RPA	Research Problem Area
RPEC	Research Personnel Evaluation Committee

RPES	Research Position Evaluation System
RPMB	Real Property Management Branch
RS#4	Reporting Section #4
RSA	Research Support Agreement
RSD	Radiological Safety Division
RTB	Rural Telephone Bank
S	
SAA	South Atlantic Area
SAES	State Agricultural Experiment Station
SAMS	Security Access Management System
SARA	Superfund Amendments and Re-authorization Act
SBG	Scored Below Grade
SCA	Specific Cooperative Agreement
SCD	Service Computation Date
SCEP	Student Career Employment Program
SCS	Soil Conservation Service
SEB	Science Ethics Branch
SEC	Office of the Secretary
SEP	Special Emphasis Program
SES	Senior Executive Service
SEU	Special Examining Unit
SF	Standard Form
SGEG	Supervisory Grade-Evaluation Guide
SHEM	Safety, Health and Environmental Management
SHEMB	Safety, Health and Environmental Management Branch
S/L	Sick Leave
SL	Senior Level
SO	Safety Officer

SOHS	Safety and Occupational Health Specialist
SOI	Subject of Investigation
SOW	Statement of Work
SPA	Southern Plains Area
SPO	Servicing Personnel Office
SPS	Servicing Personnel Specialist
SR	Standard Regulations
SRC	Shared Research Cost
SRMP	Strategic Resources Management Program
SRRC	Southern Regional Research Center
ST	Scientific and Professional Pay Plan
STEP	Student Temporary Employment Program
STP	Strategic Plan Code
SY	Scientist Year (Category 1 or 4 positions)

T

T&A	Time and Attendance
TAC	HQ and/or Area Time and Attendance Coordinator
TASSB	Technology Assessment and Support Services
TC	Transaction Code (NFC T&A designation)
TCR	Torts Claim Representative
TDY	Temporary Duty
TEKTRAN	Technology Transfer Automated Retrieval System
TEP	Technical Evaluation Panel
TFT	Temporary Full Time
TINQ	Time Inquiry System
TMC	Travel Management Center
TPS	Target Percent in Salaries
TRAI	Training Information System

TRVL	Travel Information System
TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act
TSP	Thrift Savings Plan
TT	Technology Transfer
TTC	Technology Transfer Coordinator
TY	Travel Year

U-V

UAI	Unique Asset Identifier
U.S.C.	United States Code
UPS	United Parcel Service
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USPS	United States Postal Service
USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
VRA	Veterans Readjustments Act

W

WAOB	World Agricultural Outlook Board
WG	Wage Grade
WGI	Within-Grade Increase
WHI	White House Initiatives
WNRC	Washington National Records Center
WOPFP	Without Postage and Fees Paid
WPPF	With Postage and Fees Paid
WRRC	Western Regional Research Center

X - Y - Z

Associations, Organizations, and Societies

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A

AAAS	American Association for the Advancement of Science
AACC	International-American Association of Cereal Chemists Int'l
ABA	American Bankers Association
ACS	American Chemical Society
ADSA	American Dairy Science Association
AGS	Arthropod Genomics Symposium
AGU	American Geophysical Union
AHS	American Horticulture Society
AMBA	American Malting Barley Association
AOAC	Association of Official Agricultural Chemists
APS	American Phytopathological Society
ASA	American Society of Agronomy
ASA	American Statistical Association
ASAS	American Society of Animal Science
ASABE	American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers
ASBMB	American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers
ASF	Agronomic Science Foundation
ASM	American Society for Microbiology
ASPB	American Society of Plant Biologists
ASSBT	American Society of Sugar Beet Technologists

ASTMH American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

ASV American Society for Virology

B-C

BIF Beef Improvement Federation

BSA Botanical Society of America

BSDF Beet Sugar Development Foundation

CAF Controlled Atmosphere and Fumigation in Stored Products

CRWAD Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases

CSAS Canadian Society of Animal Science

CSSA Crop Science Society of America

CSIRO Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization

D-E-F-G

DECI Decision Evaluator for the Cattle Industry

EAAP European Association of Animal Production

EED European Society for Evolutionary Developmental Biology

ESA Entomological Society of America

ESA Ecological Society of America

FASS Federation of Animal Science Societies

H-I-J-K

IBSC International Barley Sequencing Consortium

ICCA International Congress and Convention Association

ICE International Congress of Entomology

ICPR	International Conference on Pig Reproduction
IETS	International Embryo Transfer Society
IGROW	International Genome Research on Wheat
ILES	International Livestock Environment Symposium
IOBC	International Organization for Biological Control
IGQ&T	International Grain Quality and Technology Congress
ISAG	International Society of Animal Genetics
ISMPMI	International Society for Molecular Plant Microbe Interactions
ISPP	International Society of Plant Pathology
ITM	International Tribolium Meeting
IUSS	International Union of Soil Sciences
IWCSP	International Working Conference on Stored Product Protection
IWGSC	International Wheat Genome Sequencing Consortium
KWC	Kansas Wheat Commission

L-M-N-O

MSA	Mycological Society of America
MSSANZ	Modeling and Simulation Society of Australia and New Zealand Inc.
NAAB	National Association of Animal Breeders
NAMA	North American Millers' Association
NAWG	National Association of Wheat Growers
NBCEC	National Beef Cattle Education Consortium
NBIC	National Barley Improvement Committee
NCBA	National Cattlemen's Beef Association

NCERA	North Central Extension Research Activity
NFHB	National Fusarium Head Blight Forum
NPB	National Pork Board
NPPC	National Pork Producers Council
NPPGA	Northern Plains Potato Growers Association
NSF	National Science Foundation
NSIF	National Swine Improvement Federation
NWGC	National Wheat Genomics Conference
NWIC	National Wheat Improvement Committee

P-Q-R-S

PAA	Potato Association of America
PAG	Plant and Animal Genome Conference
PNW-WQC	Pacific Northwest Wheat Quality Council
PSA	Poultry Science Association
RRVSGA	Red River Valley Sugarbeet Growers Association
SASAS	South African Society of Animal Science
SETAC	Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry
SINCOBIOL	Symposium of Biological Control
SIP	Society for Invertebrate Pathology
SLB	Society for Leukocyte Biology
SRM	Society for Range Management
SSR	Society for the Study of Reproduction
SSSA	Soil Science Society of America

SWCS Soil and Water Conservation Society

T-U-V-W-X-Y-Z

USWBSI US Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative

WEF Water Environment Federation

WRCC Western Regional Climate Center

WSASAS Western Section of the American Society of Animal Science

WSSA Weed Science Society of America

WQC Wheat Quality Council