

26.202 Local area preference.

(a) When awarding *emergency response contracts* during the term of a *major disaster* or *emergency* declaration by the President of the *United States* under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and *Emergency Assistance Act* ([42 U.S.C. 5121](#), *et seq.*), preference *shall* be given, to the extent feasible and practicable, to *local firms*. Preference *may* be given through a local area set-aside or an evaluation preference.

(b) When using the authority under the Stafford Act, see the definitions of "*micro-purchase threshold*" and "*simplified acquisition threshold*" in [2.101](#) for the authority to use an increased *micro-purchase threshold* and *simplified acquisition threshold*.

- **[26.202-1 Local area set-aside.](#)**
- **[26.202-2 Evaluation preference.](#)**

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