

**Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA**

**§ 1415.2**

**§ 1412.808 Contract liability.**

All signatories to a contract are jointly and severally liable for contract violations and resulting repayments and liquidated damages.

**§ 1412.809 Misrepresentation and scheme or device.**

A person who is determined to have:

(a) Erroneously represented any fact affecting a program determination made in accordance with this subpart;

(b) Adopted any scheme or device that tends to defeat the purpose of the program; or

(c) Made any fraudulent representation affecting a program determination made in accordance with this subpart, must refund all payments received on all contracts entered into under this subpart, plus interest as determined in accordance with part 1403 of this chapter, and pay to CCC liquidated damages as specified in the contract.

**§ 1412.810 Offsets and assignments.**

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, any payment or portion thereof made to any person under this subpart shall be made without regard to questions of title under State law and without regard to any claim or lien against the peanut quota or the farm for which a peanut quota had been established under part 729 of this title by any creditor or any other person.

(b) Any person eligible to receive a payment made under this subpart may assign the payment in accordance with part 1404 of this chapter.

**§ 1412.811 Other regulations.**

(a) The provisions of part 12 of this title, the controlled substance provisions of part 718 of this title, and the payment limitation provisions of part 1400 of this chapter shall not be applicable to payments made under this subpart.

(b) The provisions of part 707 of this title relating to the making of payments in the event of the death of a program participant and in the event of other special circumstances shall apply to payments made under this subpart.

**PART 1415—GRASSLAND RESERVE PROGRAM**

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**§ 1415.1 Purpose.**

(a) The purpose of the Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) is to assist landowners in protecting, conserving, and restoring grassland resources on private lands through short and long-term rental agreements and easements.

(b) The objectives of GRP are to:

- (1) Emphasize preservation of native and naturalized grasslands and shrublands;
- (2) Protect grasslands and shrublands from the threat of conversion;
- (3) Support grazing operations; and
- (4) Maintain and improve plant and animal biodiversity.

**§ 1415.2 Administration.**

(a) The regulations in this part set forth policies, procedures, and requirements for program implementation of GRP, as administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Farm Service Agency (FSA). The regulations in this part are administered under the general supervision and direction of the NRCS Chief and the FSA Administrator. These two agency leaders: