

FEDERAL PLAIN LANGUAGE REPORT CARD

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Agency	Organizational compliance*	Writing quality
Consumer Financial Protection Bureau	B	A-
Department of Agriculture	B	B-
Department of Commerce	F	C-
Department of Defense	A+	B
Department of Education	A	C
Department of Energy	A	D
Department of Health and Human Services	A	A
Department of Homeland Security	A+	C
Department of Housing and Urban Development	F	D
Department of Interior	F	B
Department of Justice	A	B
Department of Labor	A-	B-
Department of State	C-	B
Department of Transportation	F	C
Department of Treasury	F	C
Department of Veterans Affairs	D	A-
Environmental Protection Agency	F	B
National Archives	A+	B
Securities and Exchange Commission	A-	B
Small Business Administration	F	C
Social Security Administration	A+	B



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A: Excellent B: Good C: Average D: Needs Improvement F: Fail

*Organizational compliance covers staffing, communication and training required by the Plain Writing Act.