

11—118.11(8A) Duration of service contracts.

118.11(1) Each service contract signed by a state agency shall have a specific starting and ending date.

118.11(2) State agencies shall not sign self-renewing service contracts that do not have a specific ending date.

118.11(3) A service contract should be competitively selected on a regular basis so that a state agency obtains the best value for the funds spent; avoids inefficiencies, waste or duplication; and may take advantage of new innovations, ideas and technology. A service contract, including all optional renewals, shall not exceed a term of six years; however, information technology service contracts entered into by the department or office of chief information officer may have a term length not to exceed ten years. Service contracts shall not exceed the term lengths set forth herein unless the state agency obtains a waiver of this provision pursuant to rule 11—118.16(8A).

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