
Sources of Information

Introduction

The following are important sources from which you can obtain information pertinent to doing business with the Defense Logistics Agency, the Department of Defense, the Military Services, the Small Business Administration, and the General Services Administration.

Procurement Technical Assistance Centers

The DoD Procurement Technical Assistance Cooperative Agreement Program or PTAC program was established by Congress in 1985. The PTAC program is funded through a Cooperative Agreement with the Department of Defense and with local, in-kind and/or cash support. The DLA Director of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization is responsible for the management of the PTAC program.

The purpose of the PTAC program is to generate employment and to improve the general economy of locality by assisting business firms in obtaining and performing under Federal, State and local government contracts.

Visit the web site for a list of PTACs and the regions they serve. www.dla.mil/pta

Defense Logistics Agency Web page

Vendors can check here for links to buying and selling opportunities. <http://www.dla.mil/>

The DLA Customer Handbook, a reference guide to everything DLA sells and supplies, is available here at <http://www.supply.dla.mil/CustomerHandbook/index.asp>.

DLA Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

Reports directly to the Director, DLA, and is responsible for ensuring that small businesses have an equitable, fair and impartial opportunity to participate in the DLA acquisition program.

<http://www.dla.mil/db/>

DLA Procurement Regulations

DLA's official source for all procurement related regulations. <http://www.dla.mil/j-3/j-336>

Office of the Secretary of Defense Small And Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSD SADBUI)

Mission is to enable the Warfighter to gain access to Small Business' efficiency, innovation and creativity. <http://www.acq.osd.mil/sadbu>

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Defense to
You

Doing Business with
The Defense Logistics Agency

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Military Services Small Business Sites

The addresses for the Military Services Small Business sites are provided below:

Director of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization

Office of the Secretary of the Army

106 Army Pentagon, Room 2A712

Washington, DC 20310-0106

(703) 697-2868

<http://www.sellingtoarmy.info/>

HQ US Army Corps of Engineers

441 G Street, NW

Washington, DC 20314-1000

sandra.a.hilton@usace.army.mil

<http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/sb/>

Director of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization

Office of the Secretary of the Navy

Washington Navy Yard

720 Kennon Street SE, Room 207

Washington, DC 20374

(202) 685-6485

www.abm.rda.hq.navy.mil/

Director of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization

Office, Under Secretary of the Air Force

Room 5E271, Pentagon

Washington, DC 20330-1000

(703) 696-1103

www.safsb.hq.af.mil

Small Business Administration

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) was created by Congress to help America's entrepreneurs form successful small enterprises. <http://www.sba.gov/>

Small Business Development Centers (SBDC)

The SBA administers the Small Business Development Centers Program to provide management assistance to current and prospective small business owners. <http://www.sba.gov/sbdc/>

SBA Offices and Services

<http://www.sba.gov/services/>

SBA Certification or Qualification Requirement(s)

<http://www.sba.gov/certifications/>

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SBA's Pro-Net (Procurement Marketing And Access Network)

Pro-Net is an electronic gateway of procurement information—for and about small businesses. It is a search engine for contracting officers, a marketing tool for small firms and a "link" to procurement opportunities and important information. It is designed to be a "virtual" one-stop-procurement-shop.

Pro-Net is an Internet-based database of information on more than 195,000 small, disadvantaged, 8(a), HUBZone, and women-owned businesses. It is free to Federal and State Government agencies as well as prime and other contractors seeking small business contractors, subcontractors and/or partnership opportunities. Pro-Net is open to all small firms seeking Federal, State and private contracts. <http://pro-net.sba.gov/>

SBA's Tech-Net (Technology Resources Network)

Tech-Net is an electronic gateway of technology information and resources for and about small high tech businesses. It is a search engine for researchers, scientists, state, Federal and local government officials, a marketing tool for small firms and a potential "link" to investment opportunities for investors and other sources of capital.

Tech-Net is an Internet-based database of information containing Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) awards, Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) awards, Advanced Technology Program (ATP) awards, and Manufacturing Extension Partners (MEP) centers. It is a free service for those seeking small business partners, small business contractors and subcontractors, leading edge technology research, research partners (small businesses, universities, federal labs and non-profit organizations), manufacturing centers and investment opportunities. <http://tech-net.sba.gov/>

General Services Administration (GSA)

GSA is the Federal Government's business manager, buyer, real estate developer, telecommunications manager, and IT solutions provider. They contract for billions of dollars worth of products and services for Federal agencies. Examples of items managed by GSA: environmental products; furniture and furnishings; IT/telecom products, services and products; office, imaging and document solutions, products and services; travel and transportation; and vehicles. <http://www.gsa.gov/Portal/home.jsp>

GSA Office of Small Business Utilization

http://www.gsa.gov/Portal/content/orgs_content.jsp?contentOID=22882&contentType=1005

GSA—Selling to the Government

<http://www.gsa.gov/Portal/selling.jsp>

FirstGov

FirstGov.gov, the official U.S. gateway to all Government information, is the catalyst for a growing electronic government. Their work transcends the traditional boundaries of Government and their vision is global—connecting the world to all U.S. Government information and services. With a powerful search engine and ever-growing collection of topical and customer-focused links, FirstGov connects you to millions of Web pages—from the Federal Government, local and tribal governments and to foreign nations around the world. <http://www.first.gov/>

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Regulations Governing Federal Procurements

The basic contracting rules for most Federal Government agencies are set forth in the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR). <http://www.arnet.gov/far/>. Additional rules unique to Department of Defense are set forth in the DoD FAR Supplement (DFARS). <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/dfars.html>

FAR Subpart 1.101—Purpose

The Federal Acquisition Regulations System was established for the codification and publication of uniform policies and procedures for acquisition by all executive agencies. The Federal Acquisition Regulations System consists of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), which is the primary document, and agency acquisition regulations that implement or supplement the FAR.

DFARS Subpart 201.104—Applicability

The FAR and DFARS also apply to purchases and contracts by DoD contracting activities made in support of foreign military sales or North Atlantic Treaty Organization cooperative projects without regard to the nature or sources of funds obligated, unless otherwise specified in this regulation.

FAR Part 19 and DFARS Part 219—Small Business Programs

FAR Subpart 19.201 General Policy - These parts contain the policy of the Government to provide maximum practicable opportunities in its acquisitions to small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns. Such concerns must also have the maximum practicable opportunity to participate as subcontractors in the contracts awarded by any executive agency.