

APPENDIX A-180

CRITICALITY CODE

1. Number of characters: One.
2. Type of code: Alpha.
3. Explanation: These codes indicate that an item is technically critical by reason of tolerance, fit restrictions, application, nuclear hardness properties, or other characteristics which affects identification of the item. They include the Flight Safety Critical Aircraft Part (FSCAP) Codes which are required on applicable NSNs at the time of Disposal Release Order generation.
4. Source: DoD 4100.39-M, Volume 10, Table 181.
5. The following codes are assigned:

<u>CODE</u>	<u>EXPLANATION</u>
C	The item has critical features such as tolerance, fit restriction, or application. Nuclear hardness properties have not been determined (not valid for input).
E	The item is a FSCAP and is specially designed to be or selected as being nuclear hard.
F	The item is a FSCAP.
H	The item is specifically designed to be or selected as being nuclear hard (i.e., it will continue to perform its designed function in an environment created by a nuclear explosion). The item does not have other critical features.
M	The item is specifically designed to be or selected as being nuclear hard. In addition the item has other critical features such as tolerance, fit restrictions, or application.
N	The item does not have critical features such as tolerance, fit restriction, or application. Nuclear hardness properties have not been determined (not valid for input).
X	The item does not have a nuclear hardened feature or any other critical feature such as tolerance, fit restriction, or application.

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Y	The item does not have a nuclear hardened feature but does have other critical feature(s) such as tolerance, fit restriction, or application.
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NOTE: Assignment of Criticality Codes E, H, or M requires a specific statement on the drawing and/or technical documentation (or other written substantiation) that the item is a nuclear hardness critical item.