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Connecting Suppliers with DLA



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2021 TKO Mark Your Calendars!

TKO Seminars are
FREE!

Learn how to do business with
the Government

May 11
September 7
November 2

Register at: <https://tko.dla.mil/>

All seminars are held
VIRTUALLY
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM (EST)



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DLA PACKAGING AND DOD HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PACKAGING & TRANSPORTATION

The DLA packaging website contains useful links, FAQs, videos, and additional information on Electrostatic Discharge Sensitive (ESDS) items, palletization, commercial packaging, and other packaging related topics. It also contains a packaging and marking guide for use by suppliers to assist with understanding contract marking and packaging requirements which will help prevent discrepancies at time of receipt. The website can be accessed at <https://www.dla.mil/HQ/LogisticsOperations/Packaging/>.

Suppliers shipping hazardous materials should also visit the DoD Hazardous Materials Packaging & Transportation community of practice (CoP) hosted by the Defense Acquisition University. The site contains DoD HAZMAT points of contact, DoD policies, hot topics, compliance checklists, training information, and job aids. The CoP is maintained by the DoD Hazardous Materials Packaging Working Group (HMPWG). The HAZMAT CoP can be accessed here <https://www.dau.edu/cop/hazmat/Pages/Default.aspx>.



Questions related to DLA packaging can be emailed to DLA_PKG_SR@dlamail.mil.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Dynamic Small Business Search Engine (DSBS) is the SBA's database of small business sources and dealers. Suppliers can use this tool in conjunction with DIBBS to find CAGES, NAICS codes, sources, dealers, business size, and more.

Visit the site here: https://web.sba.gov/pro-net/search/dsp_dsbs.cfm

DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY (DLA) DISTRIBUTION VIRTUAL INDUSTRY DAY

AUDIENCE: Industry representatives, prospective suppliers, large and small businesses, and socioeconomic classified businesses with a focus on service and supply related industries such as the following:

- Storage and distribution
- Construction
- Material handling equipment repair
- Janitorial
- Boxes (cartons, crates, containers, packaging, packing supplies, bags, and sacks)
- Communications equipment
- Material handling equipment and conveyors
- Office supplies
- Furniture (cabinets, lockers, bins, and shelving)



MISSION: DLA is America's combat logistics support agency. Our mission is to provide best value integrated logistics solutions to America's armed forces and other designated customers in peace and in war, around the clock, around the world. DLA Distribution provides storage and distribution solutions/management, transportation planning/management, logistics planning, and contingency operations via a global network of distribution centers. To support this, DLA Distribution J7 (Acquisition Operations) issues supply and service contracts for storage and distribution, construction, material handling equipment and maintenance, janitorial services, and shipping/packaging supplies.

WHEN: June 9, 2021

WHERE: Virtual (more information to follow)

TOPICS: Topics can be viewed here, listed under attachments : https://beta.sam.gov/opp/cf786cc79eb3470386e51eff06192973/view?keywords=%22business%20opportunities%20forecast%22&sort=-relevance&index=&is_active=true&page=1

REGISTRATION: Virtual Industry Day registration opened March 15, 2021.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 14, 2021 @ 3:00 PM Eastern Standard Time or until capacity has been reached.

DESCRIPTION: DLA Distribution invites you to attend the DLA Distribution Virtual Industry Day on June 9, 2021. The purpose of this forum is to provide our industry partners an avenue to learn about the mission of DLA Distribution and to encourage an open dialogue and exchange of information and ideas with our industry partners. Industry will hear from the organization's staff and gain insight into DLA Distribution's strategic and operational objectives. Industry will learn about DLA Distribution and how to do business with us.



As a precursor, please find the DLA Distribution Business Opportunities Forecast here: https://beta.sam.gov/opp/cf786cc79eb3470386e51eff06192973/view?keywords=%22business%20opportunities%20forecast%22&sort=-relevance&index=&is_active=true&page=1

Each organization is limited to two (2) representatives for the Virtual Industry Day. Requests to substitute registered attendees for the Virtual Industry Day will not be accepted. If you have any questions regarding the event or this public notice, please send an email to:

DistributionJ7@dla.mil

LAND SUPPLY CHAIN - "HOT" ITEMS LIST

Do you have parts on hand? Government surplus? Manufacturer's overruns?

DLA Land Supply Chain has posted a list of items that are urgently needed at: <https://www.dla.mil/LandandMaritime/Business/Selling/DLA-Land-and-Maritime-Procurement-Initiatives/>

We are looking for readily available and usable material. We are asking our industry partners to review this list and let us know if you have surplus, manufacturer's overruns, or residual inventory. The intent is to update this list monthly so please check back regularly. Please submit inquiries to FL.AvailMat@dlamail.



REMINDER: SELF-ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS IN THE SUPPLIER PERFORMANCE RISK SYSTEM

DoD issued an interim rule to amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to implement a DoD Assessment Methodology and Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) framework. The purpose of the interim rule is to assess contractor implementation of cybersecurity requirements and enhance the protection of unclassified information within the DoD supply chain. DFARS Case 2019-D041 (Assessing Contractor Implementation of Cybersecurity Requirements) is currently open for public comments and is available here:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/09/29/2020-21123/defense-federal-acquisition-regulation-supplement-assessing-contractor-implementation-of>

As of November 30, 2020, if an offeror is required to have implemented NIST SP 800–171 security requirements on their information systems pursuant to DFARS clause 252.204–7012 “Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting,” they must complete a self-assessment and post their score in the Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS) in order to be eligible for contract award. In accordance with DFARS clause 252.204–7012(b), with the exception of contractors offering Information Technology (IT) services or systems to be operated on behalf of the Government, all offerors who use covered contractor information systems must implement NIST SP 800-171 security requirements or request a variance from the DoD Chief Information Officer (DoD CIO) through the contracting officer. For contractors who already have an approved variance for their systems from the DoD CIO, the contractor must provide a copy of the approval to the contracting officer.

The interim rule also established two new provisions and clauses to further address NIST SP 800–171 requirements. DFARS provision 252.204-7019 “Notice of NIST SP 800–171 DoD Assessment Requirements” will be inserted into solicitations and DFARS clause 252.204–7020 “NIST SP 800–171 DoD Assessment Requirements” will be used in solicitations and awards.

As a reminder, DoD will be implementing CMMC requirements over the next several years. CMMC is a framework that measures a contractor’s cybersecurity maturity to include the implementation of cybersecurity practices and the institutionalization of processes (see <https://www.acq.osd.mil/cmmc/index.html>). Suppliers are strongly encouraged to review DFARS Subpart 204.75—Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification and other Government links to prepare for upcoming procurement requirements.

Designed to help suppliers understand CMMC, Project Spectrum is an initiative supported by the DoD Office of Small Business Programs (<https://projectspectrum.io>). Project Spectrum provides information, training, and risk assessments to help suppliers improve cyber readiness and comply with DoD requirements.