

Doing Business With DLA Aviation



Explore the Possibilities

DLA AVIATION OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS

What can we do for you?

- Explain government procurement technology, procedures and regulations
- Identify points of contact
- Assist in identifying Federal Supply Classes (FSC)
- Provide details on useful websites
- Support and implement Small Business Programs
- Review and recommend solicitation set-aside status
- Assist in communicating with DLA Aviation personnel
- Act as an ombudsman for small businesses



For more information about Doing Business with DLA Aviation, please visit

www.dla.mil/Aviation/Business/IndustryResources/SBO.aspx

DLA AVIATION MISSION

DLA Aviation is the aviation demand and supply chain manager for DLA with more than 3,500 civilian and military personnel in 18 locations across the United States. DLA Aviation supports more than 2,000 weapon systems and is the U.S. military's integrated materiel manager for more than 1.2 million national stock number items, industrial retail supply and depot-level repairable acquisitions.

DLA Aviation directly supports the warfighter through weapon system materiel management, industrial retail supply and strategic acquisition for consumable and depot-level repairable materiel. Using a comprehensive demand planning process, our priorities align with those of our military customers.

Positioned alongside its military customers, DLA Aviation manages industrial support activities and depot-level repairable procurement operations in Georgia, Oklahoma, Utah, North Carolina, California, and Florida. It also manages DLR procurement at Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Weapon Systems Support Philadelphia and Redstone Army Arsenal, Ala. DLA Aviation also operates an industrial plant equipment repair facility at NAVSUP Weapon System Support, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

This is a partial list of items DLA Aviation procures. A complete listing is available at www.dla.mil/HQ/SmallBusiness/Business/WhatDLABuys.aspx

COMMODITY

FSC

Aircraft Hydraulic, Vacuum and De-icing Components	1650
Aircraft Landing Gear Components	1620
Airframe Structural Components	1560
Bearings, Plain, Un-mounted.	3120
Bushings, Rings, Shims and Spacers	5365
Cable, Cord and Wire Assemblies	5995
Chain and Wire Rope.	4010
Electrical Hardware, Supplies	5975
Engine Electrical Systems Components, Aircraft.	2925
Gas Turbines, Jet Engine and Components, Aircraft.	2840
Hazardous Material Spill Containment Equipment	4235
Lugs, Terminals, Terminal Strips	5940
Miscellaneous Aircraft Accessories & Components.	1680
Miscellaneous Electric Power and Distribution Equipment	6150
Pest, Disease, Frost Control Equipment.	3740

REGISTRATIONS

DUNS REGISTRATION

A DUNS number is a nine-digit number that identifies your company and links to any corporate family structures. To obtain a DUNS number from Dun and Bradstreet, call 866-705-5711 or visit www.dnb.com. A number may be obtained without taking membership in the organization.

SAM REGISTRATION

All suppliers wishing to do business with the federal government must complete the System for Award Management (SAM) registration, located at www.sam.gov. A Contractor and Government Entity or CAGE code will be assigned once registration is complete. The CAGE code is an important number identifying your company and address. Detailed instructions for the SAM application process are provided on the web site. SAM also includes a Reqs and Certs section. Please ensure that the representations and certifications are completed.

SBA'S DYNAMIC SMALL BUSINESS SEARCH

The Dynamic Small Business Search is available at dsbs.sba.gov. Small business suppliers are encouraged to register on the SBA web site. Although registration is voluntary, DLA Aviation uses DSBS to locate sources, verify supplier's size and make set-aside decisions.

Need more help? Contact the Opportunities Help Desk. We will walk you through the registration on the phone, or come in and we will assist you in person.

804-279-4302



BID OPPORTUNITIES

DLA Aviation conducts most of its business electronically—from solicitation to award to payment. To do business with DLA Aviation, it's important to have a good computer and server to enable fast internet access. The DLA Aviation Depot-Level Repairable sites use FedBizOpps for posting of their bid opportunities.

DLA INTERNET BID BOARD SYSTEM (DIBBS)

The DLA Internet Bid Board is a web-based bid board that allows suppliers to search for, view, and submit secure quotes on Requests For Quotations (RFQs), search and view Request for Proposals (RFPs), and view awards for DLA items of supply. Most DLA Aviation solicitations are posted on the DIBBS bid board. www.dibbs.bsm.dla.mil.

- **DIBBS Registration** is required to receive a login account and password to conduct transactions over restricted portions of DLA DIBBS and to register email addresses for solicitation and award notification. Detailed system requirements and instructions for registration can be found on the DLA DIBBS home page.
- **Solicitation Notification:** DIBBS provides daily vendor notifications for RFQs via email when they are included on the buyer's mailing list, if the suppliers have requested email notification for that NSN or FSC as part of their DIBBS registration, and if the vendor had a contract in the last 12 months unless the contract was terminated due to contractor-caused reasons.
- **Vendor-Directed Solicitation Notification:** DIBBS registration has an optional Vendor-Directed Solicitation Notification feature. This allows the user to direct email notification of new solicitations that match selections for FSC, NSN, and Approved Manufacturer CAGE in their profile. Suppliers are encouraged to use this feature for specific NSNs or FSCs that may be of interest to them.
- **Award/Modification Notification:** DIBBS sends email notification with a weblink for all awards/modifications posted on DIBBS, unless the CAGE received a delivery order via Electronic Data Interchange or EDI.

RFQ SET-ASIDE SEARCHES (SOLICITATIONS UNDER THE SIMPLIFIED THRESHOLD)

RFQ solicitation searches can be performed several ways via web site: www.dibbs.bsm.dla.mil/RFQ/. Small businesses are encouraged to use the "Show Only" search to locate set-asides. Pick a **Search Category** and **Search Value** prior to using the Show Only option.

RFP SET-ASIDE SEARCHES (SOLICITATIONS OVER THE SIMPLIFIED THRESHOLD)

RFP searches are more limited in DIBBS than RFQ searches, with a “Show Only” search for bidsets. It does not allow for “Show Only” searches for set-asides. The RFP search web site is www.dibbs.bsm.dla.mil/RFP.

FEDBIZOPPS

All procurements over \$25,000 are publicized in FedBizOpps at www.fbo.gov. FedBizOpps offers a variety of searches. FedBizOpps is especially important for RFP searches, since the RFP search capability in DIBBS is more limited. Also, FedBizOpps lists Sources Sought and Requests for Information (RFIs) which are not published in DIBBS.

BEST VALUE CONTRACTING

The Past Performance Information Retrieval System – Statistical Reporting (PPIRS-SR) is a past performance information system that provides the contracting officer with historical performance data. This information may be used by the contracting officer to make best value award decisions. Contractors’ performance is measured and scored in the areas of quality and delivery. For more information, please visit www.ppirs.gov. Data should be verified monthly.

PACKAGING:

The DLA Packaging web site provides information on First Destination Transportation and Packaging, military packaging as well as marking and labeling. For more information on DLA Aviation packaging issues, please contact the DLA Aviation Packaging Oce at DSCRpkgFB@dla.mil. Shipments with improper packaging could be rejected and returned at the contractor’s expense. www.dla.mil/LandandMaritime/Offers/Services/TechnicalSupport/Logistics/Packaging.aspx

DRAWINGS & BIDSETS:

DLA Aviation primarily procures items using drawings/bidsets, by approved manufacturer part number or by qualified products list. Drawings/bidsets can be accessed through DIBBS on open solicitations via the cFolder at <https://pcfl.bsm.dla.mil/cfolders/>

SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROGRAMS

8(A) PROGRAM

The 8(a) Program refers to section 8(a) of the Small Business Act, a program developed to help socially and economically disadvantaged businesses grow. It does this by providing non-competitive set-asides and set-asides limited to certified 8(a) firms. These 8(a) solicitations are located on restricted areas of DIBBS, since the set-asides are either sole-source to a specific 8(a) firm, or competed between 8(a) firms. To apply, contact the SBA office at www.sba.gov/contracting/government-contracting-programs/8a-business-development-program.

WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS

The Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB Program) allows contracting officers to set-aside certain acquisitions for eligible WOSBs or Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Businesses (EDWOSB). Competition can be restricted to WOSBs or EDWOSBs or acquisitions using North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes that the SBA has determined to be underrepresented. For more information, contact the SBA WOSB program at www.sba.gov/content/contracting-opportunities-women-owned-small-businesses.

HUBZONE PROGRAM

The HUBZone Program establishes regions within the country that are defined as underutilized business zones. Small businesses functioning within these zones, who hire at least 35 percent of their workers from a HUBZone defined region, are eligible to become certified as HUBZone small business firms. To be eligible for award, a certified HUBZone vendor must be a manufacturer of, or supplying the product of another HUBZone manufacturer. Suppliers interested in becoming HUBZone firm should contact the SBA at www.sba.gov/contracting/government-contracting-programs/hubzone-program

SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN PROGRAM

The Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Program offers opportunities to service disabled veterans by providing set-asides reserved exclusively for SDV-owned companies. To be eligible to respond to a SDV set-aside, firms must be owned and 51 percent controlled by a SDV. You can find more information about the SDVOSB program at www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/current/far/html/Subpart%2019.14.html

TOTAL SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDES (SBSA)

The table below details SBSA thresholds at DLA Aviation. The DLA Aviation Office of Small Business Programs reviews all acquisitions over \$3,500 for set-aside opportunities, except automated “T” solicitations which should follow the set-aside logic in the table below.

<\$3,500	Unrestricted (Micropurchases)
>\$3,501 – <\$25,000	Normally set-aside for Small Business Set-aside if expect response from two SBs providing product of two different domestic concerns (small or large businesses)
>\$25,000 – <\$150,000	Normally set-aside for Small Business Set-aside if expect response from two SBs providing the product of any one domestic small business concern
>\$150,000	Set-aside for Small Business if expect response from two SBs providing the product of two different SB concerns



**Aviation Small Business Program Mangers
can be found at**

**[www.dla.mil/Aviation/Business/
IndustryResources/SBO.aspx](http://www.dla.mil/Aviation/Business/IndustryResources/SBO.aspx)**

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY CENTER

DLA Aviation’s BOC offers an opportunity to view sole-source items that by nature of value or volume are worthy of review for reverse engineering. The items are rotated on a periodic basis. For more information, please visit the BOC virtual display room at

**[www.dla.mil/Aviation/Offers/Services/AviationEngineering/
Engineering/RPPOB/](http://www.dla.mil/Aviation/Offers/Services/AviationEngineering/Engineering/RPPOB/)**

DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY

DLA has a “Doing Business With The Defense Logistics Agency” guide available at

www.dla.mil/Portals/104/Documents/SmallBusiness/Brochure.pdf

TRAINING SEMINAR

DLA Land and Maritime regularly offers a Training, Knowledge and Opportunity (TKO) Seminar for suppliers that provides information and describes processes and requirements for doing business with DLA. For information go to the DLA Land and Maritime web site at

www.dla.mil/LandandMaritime/Business/SmallBusiness.aspx.

PROCUREMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER

PTACS provide a range of services, generally at no charge to the supplier. They provide assistance and training to vendors who want to do business with federal, state and local governments. PTACs are located in most states. For more information visit www.aptac-us.org.

DLA SMALL BUSINESS OFFICES

- DLA Aviation, Richmond 1-800-277-3603
- For Aviation Depot-Level Repairable Small Business Offices, please contact the DLA Aviation Richmond Small Business Office
- DLA Land and Maritime, Columbus. 1-800-262-3272
- DLA Troop Support, Philadelphia 1-800-831-1110
- DLA Energy, Fort Belvoir 1-800-523-2601

DLA SERVICES SMALL BUSINESS OFFICE

- DLA Contracting Services Office 1-215-737-8514
- DLA Distribution 1-717-770-7246

TEN STEPS TO DOING BUSINESS WITH DLA

- 1. To do business with DLA, suppliers need a DUNS number:**
To apply or look up your company's number, go to the following web address:
www.dnb.com.
- 2. Suppliers must register in System for Award Management (SAM).**
All suppliers must have a Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code. If you do not have a CAGE code, one will be assigned to you when you complete the SAM registration at www.sam.gov. This registration must be updated annually before the expiration date. Be sure to completely fill out the SAM application, including every business classification that applies to your company.
- 3. Register on the DLA Internet Bid Board System:**
Go to: www.dibbs.bsm.dla.mil.
- 4. Search the Federal Supply Classes Purchased by DLA:**
Visit www.dibbs.bsm.dla.mil under References, FSCs and Supplier Visibility Requirements Application. This application provides DLA's anticipated requirements based on monthly forecasts.
- 5. Match your company's capabilities to the Federal Supply Classes:**
Go to: www.dla.mil/HQ/SmallBusiness/Business/WhatDLABuys.aspx. This will identify which DLA supply chain buys your commodity. Complete the Aviation Capability survey located at www.dla.mil/Aviation/Business/IndustryResources/SBO.aspx
- 6. Perform a DIBBS or FBO Search to find opportunities:**
Select DIBBS RFQ or RFP search under the heading "Solicitation" or use FedBizOpps at www.fbo.gov.
- 7. Submit your quotes on the DLA Internet Bid Board System, or DIBBS.**
RFPs require submission of formal written proposals. RFQs can use DIBBS On-line Quoting unless the solicitation states otherwise. Make sure to submit our quote form before the solicitation closing date.

8. Research Before Selling to Defense Logistics Agency:

- Military Packaging www.dla.mil/LandandMaritime/Offers/Services/TechnicalSupport/Logistics/Packaging/PackWhatsNew.aspx
- Bidsets and Drawings:
Drawings and bidsets can be accessed through DIBBS on open solicitations. <https://pcfl.bsm.dla.mil/cfolders/>
- Specifications quicksearch.dla.mil
- Federal Acquisition Regulations and Clauses
www.acquisition.gov
- Socio-economic Set-Asides:
www.acq.osd.mil/osbp/sb/initiatives

9. Market Your Company.

Each DLA supply center has socio-economic goals for the following: Small Business, Small Disadvantaged Business and 8(a), HUBZone, Women-Owned Small Business and Service-Disabled, Veteran-Owned Small Business. You need to market these categories. Include your CAGE code on all correspondence.

10. Explore Subcontracting Opportunities and Teaming Arrangements:

“Subcontracting Opportunities with DoD Prime Contractors” at www.acq.osd.mil/osbp click on "For Small Business" and “Doing Business with DoD.”

IMPORTANT SMALL BUSINESS LINKS

DLA AVIATION SMALL BUSINESS OFFICE

www.dla.mil/Aviation/Business/IndustryResources/SBO.aspx

DLA LAND AND MARITIME SMALL BUSINESS OFFICE

www.dla.mil/LandandMaritime/Business/SmallBusiness.aspx

DLA TROOP SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESS OFFICE

www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/About/SmallBusinessOffice.aspx

DLA ENERGY SMALL BUSINESS OFFICE

www.dla.mil/Energy/Business/SmallBusiness.aspx

DLA SMALL BUSINESS WEB SITE

www.dla.mil/HQ/SmallBusiness.aspx

DOD SMALL BUSINESS WEB SITE

www.acq.osd.mil/osbp/

TO REACH US...

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