

## 12.204 Solicitation/contract form.

(a)

(1) The *contracting officer shall* use the [Standard Form 1449, Solicitation/Contract/Order for Commercial Products and Commercial Services](#), if—

(i) The *acquisition* is expected to exceed the *simplified acquisition threshold*;

(ii) A paper *solicitation* or contract is being issued; and

(iii) Procedures at [12.603](#) are not being used.

(2) Use of the [SF 1449](#) is nonmandatory but encouraged for commercial *acquisitions* not exceeding the *simplified acquisition threshold*.

(b) Consistent with the requirements at [5.203\(a\)](#) and (h), the *contracting officer may* allow fewer than 15 days before issuance of the *solicitation*.

**Parent topic:** [Subpart 12.2 - Special Requirements for the Acquisition of Commercial Products and Commercial Services](#)