# 45.602-3 Screening.

The screening period begins upon the *plant clearance officer*'s acceptance of an inventory disposal schedule. The *plant clearance officer shall* determine whether standard or special screening is appropriate and initiate screening actions.

(a) *Standard screening*. The standard screening period is 46 days.

(1) *First through twentieth day-Screening by the contracting agency*. The *contracting* agency has 20 days to screen property reported on the inventory disposal schedule for: other use within the agency; transfer of educationally useful equipment to other *Federal agencies* that have expressed a need for the property; and transfer of educationally useful equipment to schools and nonprofit organizations if a *Federal agency* has not expressed a need for the property. *Excess personal property*, meeting the conditions of 45.603, *may* be abandoned, destroyed, or donated to public bodies. No later than the 21st *day*, the *plant clearance officer shall* submit four copies of the revised schedules and Standard Form (SF) 120, Report of *Excess Personal Property*, or an electronic equivalent to GSA (see 41 CFR 102-36.215).

(2) Twenty-first through forty-sixth *day* (21 days concurrent screening plus 5 days donation processing).-

(i) *Screening by other Federal agencies*. GSA will normally honor requests for transfers of property on a first-come-first-served basis through the 41st *day*. When a request is honored, the GSA regional office *shall* promptly transmit to the *plant clearance officer* an approved transfer order that includes shipping instructions.

(ii) *Screening for possible donation*. Screening for donation is also completed during days 21 through 41. Property is not available for allocation to donees until after the completion of screening. Days 42 through 46 are reserved for GSA to make such allocation.

(3) *Screening period transfer request*. If an agency receives an intra-agency transfer request during the screening periods described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section, the *plant clearance officer shall* request GSA approval to withdraw the item from the inventory disposal schedule.

(b) Special screening requirements.-

(1) *Special tooling and special test equipment without commercial components*. Agencies *shall* follow the procedures in paragraph (a) of this section. This property owned by the Department of Defense (DoD) or the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) *may* be screened for reutilization only within these agencies.

(2) *Special test equipment* with *commercial components*.-

(i) Agencies *shall* complete the screening required by paragraph (a) of this section. If an agency has no further need for the property and the contractor has not expressed an interest in using or acquiring the property by annotating the inventory disposal schedule, the *plant clearance officer shall* forward the inventory disposal schedule to the GSA regional office that serves the region in which the property is located.

(ii) If the contractor has expressed an interest in using the property on another Government contract, the *plant clearance officer shall* contact the *contracting officer* for that contract. If the *contracting officer* concurs with the proposed use, the *contracting officer* for the contract under which the property is accountable *shall* transfer the property's accountability to that contract. If the *contracting officer* does not concur with the proposed use, the *plant clearance officer shall* deny the contractor's request and *shall* continue the screening process.

(iii) If the property is contractor-acquired or produced, and the contractor or subcontractor has expressed an interest in acquiring the property, and no other party expresses an interest during agency or GSA screening, the property *may* be sold to the contractor or subcontractor at *acquisition* cost.

(3) *Printing equipment*. Agencies *shall* report all excess printing equipment to the Public Printer, Government Publishing Office, 732 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC 20401, after screening within the agency (see 44 U.S.C. 312). If the Public Printer does not express a need for the equipment within 21 days, the agency *shall* submit the report to GSA for further use and donation screening as described in paragraph (a) of this section.

(4) *Non-nuclear hazardous materials, hazardous wastes, and classified items*. These items *shall* be screened in accordance with agency procedures. Report non-nuclear hazardous materials to GSA if the agency has no requirement for them.

(5) *Nuclear materials*. The possession, use, and transfer of certain nuclear materials are subject to the regulatory controls of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). *Contracting activities shall* screen excess nuclear materials in the following categories:

(i) *By-product material*. Any radioactive material (except special nuclear material) yielded in or made radioactive by exposure to the radiation incident to producing or using special nuclear material.

(ii) *Source material*. Uranium or thorium, or any combination thereof, in any physical or chemical form; or ores that contain by weight one-twentieth of 1 percent (0.05 percent) or more of uranium, thorium, or any combination thereof. Source material does not include special nuclear material.

(iii) *Special nuclear material*. Plutonium, Uranium 233, Uranium enriched in the isotope 233 or in the isotope 235, any other material that the NRC determines to be special nuclear material (but not including source material); or any material artificially enriched by any nuclear material.

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