5104.802 Contract files.

(f) Contracting officers shall utilize the Virtual Contracting Enterprise (VCE) tools throughout the acquisition process to maximize visibility and management of contract specific information and documents. VCE shall not be used for classified documents or contracts.

(i) The Paperless Contract File (PCF) module shall be used to store, access, and route documents necessary to manage the acquisition process for review and approval. Contracting officers shall ensure that the PCF contains all appropriate contract documents. If the contract document is maintained within the Procurement Integrated Enterprise Environment (PIEE, https://wawf.eb.mil/) or the Federal Procurement Data System-Next Generation (FPDS-NG)), then that system is the official system of record; Contracting officers should not duplicate the document and file it in the PCF.

Follow procedures at AFARS PGI 5104.802(f)(i)-2.

Follow procedures at AFARS PGI 5104.802(f)(i)-1.

(1) The Army Cabinet Index folder structure shall be used when filing documents in PCF to ensure standardization throughout Army contract files. See AFARS PGI 5104.802(f)(i)(1) for instructions to access the cabinet index structure.

(2) When the Contracting officer receives knowledge of a preaward or postaward protest submitted to any venue, the Contracting officer shall notify the DASA(P) in accordance with AFARS 5101.290 Routing documents and mailing addresses.(a)(1).

(3) Milestone Tracking shall be used to forecast and document dates for initiation and completion of key documents and milestones. The VCE tool identifies the mandatory data fields based on specific criteria for the acquisition.

See AFARS PGI 5104.802(f)(i)(3)-1.

See AFARS PGI 5104.802(f)(i)(3)-2.

(4) Mission Partner/Requirement Owner Functionality shall be used by requirements owners to create cabinets and submit documents to contracting organizations. Contracting officers shall assist requirements owners as necessary to ensure utilization of the tool.

(ii) VCE Warrants Module shall be used to issue and track Contracting officer and grant officer warrants; see AFARS 5101.603-3 Appointment..

(iii) VCE shall be used for the Announcement of Awards and Small Business Coordination Record (DD Form 2579); see AFARS 5105.303 Announcement of contract awards. and 5119.201 General policy.(d)(10)(B)(i) respectively.

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