SUBPART 39.2 – INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

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Parent topic: PART 39 – ACQUISITION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)

39.201 Scope of subpart.

(b) Contracting officers can find EIT standards at GSA Government-wide IT Accessibility Program (https://www.section508.gov/). When Section 508 applies, contracting officers shall review the "Buy Accessible IT" section at GSA Government-wide IT Accessibility Program (https://www.section508.gov/); and use appropriate requirements language in the solicitation and, if applicable, in the performance work statement, statement of objective, or statement of work. The "Buy Accessible IT" section provides language for common EIT procurement requirements and a link to the current revision of the Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) Rev 508.

39.203 Applicability.

(a)(S-90) Unless an exception applies (reference FAR 39.204), contracting officers shall insert procurement note L29 in solicitations when procuring EIT products and services.

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L29 Section 508 Requirements (OCT 2021)

Offerors shall comply with the Section 508 accessibility requirements. By submission of its offer, the offeror affirms that its Electronic Information Technology (EIT) supplies and services are accessible as outlined in the law, the standard, and FAR Subpart 39.2. Offerors shall complete the current revision of the Voluntary Product Accessible Template (VPAT) Rev 508 at https://www.itic.org/policy/accessibility/vpat (*copy website address into browser*). If applicable, offerors shall indicate where their Section 508 EIT compliance information is available for review (e.g., offeror's website or other location the contracting officer can access). The contracting officer may require a demonstration of Section 508 compliance prior to award.

(S-91) Contracting officers shall insert procurement note H11 in solicitations and awards when procuring EIT products and services.

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H11 Section 508 Requirements (OCT 2020)

Contractors shall comply with the Section 508 Accessibility requirements in this contract and the current revision of the Voluntary Product Accessible Template (VPAT) Rev 508 at https://www.itic.org/policy/accessibility/vpat (*copy website address into browser*) as stated in their proposal, for the duration of contract performance.

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39.204 Exceptions.

Contracting officers shall coordinate with Office of Counsel and DLA Information Operations, Section 508 office when seeking an exception to the requirement for an acquisition of EIT supplies or services to meet the applicable accessibility standards at 36 CFR Part 1194, EIT Accessibility Standards.