

212.371 Inapplicability of certain provisions and clauses to contracts for the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.

Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) items are a subset of commercial products. Therefore, the provisions and clauses listed in 212.370 as not applicable to contracts or subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial products are also not applicable to contracts or subcontracts for the acquisition of COTS items. In addition, the following provisions and clauses published after January 1, 2015, not expressly authorized in law, are not applicable to contracts for the acquisition of COTS items:

(a) FAR [52.204-21](#), Basic Safeguarding of Covered Contractor Information Systems.

(b) Reserved.

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