

**SUBPART 204.73—CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION**

**204.7300 Scope.**

This subpart prescribes policies and procedures for requiring contractor registration in the DoD Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database to comply with the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (31 U.S.C. 3332; 31 U.S.C. 7701), and to increase visibility of vendor sources for specific supplies and services and their geographical locations.

**204.7301 Definitions.**

“Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database,” “Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number,” “Data Universal Numbering System+4 (DUNS+4) number,” and “Registered in the CCR database” are defined in the clause at 252.204-7004, Required Central Contractor Registration.

**204.7202 Policy.**

After May 31, 1998, prospective contractors must be registered in the CCR database, prior to award of a contract, basic agreement, basic ordering agreement, or blanket purchase agreement, unless the award results from a solicitation issued on or before May 31, 1998. This policy applies to all types of awards except the following:

- (a) Purchases made with a Governmentwide commercial purchase card.
- (b) Awards made to foreign vendors for work performed outside the United States.
- (c) Classified contracts or purchases (see FAR 4.401).
- (d) Contracts awarded by deployed contracting officers in the course of military operations, including, but not limited to, contingency operations as defined in 10 U.S.C. 101(a)(13), or contracts awarded by contracting officers in the conduct of emergency operations, such as responses to natural disasters or national or civil emergencies.
- (e) Purchases to support unusual or compelling needs of the type described in FAR 6.302-2.

**204.7303 Procedures.**

(a)(1) Except as provided in 204.7302, the contracting officer shall require each offeror to provide a DUNS or, if applicable, a DUNS+4 number, with its verbal or written offer, regardless of the dollar amount of the offer.

(2) Prior to making an award of any contract, basic agreement, basic ordering agreement, or blanket purchase agreement after May 31, 1998, unless the award results from a solicitation issued on or before May 31, 1998, the contracting officer shall verify that the prospective awardee is registered in the CCR database (but see paragraph (b) of this section). The contracting officer may verify registration using the DUNS number or, if applicable, the DUNS+4 number, by calling toll free: 1-800-841-4431, commercial: 1-616-961-5757, or Defense Switched Network (DSN): 932-5757; via the Internet at <http://ccr.edi.disa.mil/ccr/cgi-bin/status.pl>; or as otherwise provided by agency procedures.

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(3) Verification of registration is not required for orders or calls placed under contracts, basic agreements, basic ordering agreements, or blanket purchase agreements.

(4) After May 31, 1998, as part of the annual review of basic agreements, basic ordering agreements, and blanket purchase agreements, contracting officers shall modify these agreements to incorporate the clause at 252.204-7004, Required Central Contractor Registration.

(b) If the contracting officer determines that a prospective awardee is not registered in the CCR database, the contracting officer shall—

(1) If the needs of the requiring activity allow for a delay, proceed to award after the contractor is registered; or

(2) If the needs of the requiring activity do not allow for a delay, proceed to award to the next otherwise successful registered offeror, provided that written approval is obtained at one level above the contracting officer.

(c) Agencies shall protect against improper disclosure of contractor CCR information.

(d) The contracting officer shall, on contractual documents transmitted to the payment office, provide either the Commercial and Government Entity code or the DUNS number in accordance with agency procedures.

#### **204.7304 Contract clause.**

Except as provided in 204.7302, use the clause at 252.204-7004, Required Central Contractor Registration, in—

(a) Solicitations issued after May 31, 1998;

(b) Contracts resulting from solicitations issued after May 31, 1998; and

(c) Basic agreements, basic ordering agreements, and blanket purchase agreements issued after May 31, 1998, unless they resulted from solicitations issued on or before May 31, 1998.