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Joint Certification Program

JCP Certification: What You Need to Know

As a valued supplier at NNS, we want to ensure that you have the necessary information to navigate the Joint Certification Program (JCP) process. In this newsletter, we will provide an overview of the JCP, its purpose, and the pre-submittal requirements.

What is the Purpose of a JCP?

The JCP allows United States (U.S.) and Canadian contractors to apply for access to Department of Defense/Department of National Defense (DOD/DND) unclassified export controlled technical data and unclassified military technical data which is not available to the public.

Pre-Submittal Requirements

Before submitting your JCP certification request, please ensure that you have completed the following steps:

- Be registered and physically located in the U.S. or Canada
- SAM registration: Ensure that your SAM registration has not expired and information contained within the system remains updated. This required if you are receiving Department of Defense (DOD).
- Must have an Active CAGE/NCAGE code and prior to submitting an application to the JCP, ensure your information on record with CAGE is accurate.
- NIST Assessment: Complete the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) assessment and upload the results documented in Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS). NIST assessments are valid for 3 years, then it must be renewed, prior to the expiration date SPRS.
- Proper Handling Training: Review the Introduction to Proper Handling Training of Export-Controlled Technical Data Training (PDF) to ensure proper handling of sensitive information.
- Google Authenticator: Download the Google Authenticator application, which is used for two-factor authentication.

Field	Value	Description
SDC Expiration Date	9/25/2025	Expiration date for the Suppliers Representations and Certifications (SBF P9152 or SBF P9152R). This annual requirement affirms the information disclosed is current, accurate and complete. Upon expiration; the Supplier Account will be blocked and no new Purchase Order action can be taken. If the date is 'yellow'; it is a reminder the expiration date is approaching and action is required. If you have not already received the renewal request from the Supplier Data team; email the Supplier Compliance team at SupplierData@hii-nns.com . Our office will review your request and return forms required for renewal.
UEI (SAM)		This is the authoritative identifier to do business with the federal government. It is generated at https://sam.gov .
NNPI	Yes	This designates whether your company has been approved to receive Naval Nuclear Propulsion Information (NNPI) or Unclassified Technical Data (UTD).
NNPI Transmission Approval	Hardcopy NNPI Only	This displays the method of Naval Nuclear Propulsion Information (NNPI) or Unclassified Technical Data (UTD) transmission to the supplier. NNPI may only be shared in hardcopy format, unless NNS has received the Supplier's Authorization to Operate (ATO) Letter from NAVSEA 08 Cybersecurity. For more information on the requirements and approval to process or store NNPI electronically, please refer to the Department of Navy's OPNAV Instruction N9210.3.
JCP Certification Number		The JCP Certification Number is used to certify contractors for access to unclassified technical data disclosing critical technology controlled in the U.S. The JCP certification is site specific.
JCP Registr Expiration	5/20/2025	The expiration date for JCP Registration. Our office recommends 90 days prior to expiration working proactively with the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) to obtain a new JCP expiration date. Questions regarding the requirements for the JCP Certification can be directed to the DLA.
CUI Transmission Approval	Hardcopy CUI Only	This displays the method of Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) transmission to the supplier. If hardcopy CUI is displayed; contact our Exostar team at Exostar@hii-nns.com to discuss actions required to move to the Electronic CUI status.

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Important Information to Know

- Initial JCP Application: Initiate at least 120 days prior to needing a JCP certification.
- Renewal Process: Initiate at least 120 days prior to your current 5-Year expiration. It may take up to 60 days to renew your JCP certification. NNS recommends starting the process early to avoid any delays.
- Revisions to Current Active 5-Year JCP Certification: Initiate immediately when a change occurs regarding any of the following: Entity name, Entity Physical CAGE site/location changes, Signature Page signor no longer works for the entity or no longer has authority/capacity to obligate the entity to a government contract, etc.
- Expiration Date: Supplier Compliance keeps your company informed of the JCP expiration date using the NNS Supplier Compliance Card. Please pay close attention to this information to ensure continued compliance.

**Visit the DLA's JCP site at
<https://www.dla.mil/logistics-operations/services/joint-certification-program/>
for more information**



Supplier Scorecard Changes

Enhanced Supplier Delivery Score Calculations: Supporting Our Customer's Expectations

As we strive to meet our customer's expectations of a 1+2 cadence, delivering quality components on time is crucial. To support this goal, we've introduced a new and improved method for calculating supplier delivery scores.

What's Changed?

Previously, our delivery scores only accounted for materials that had already been received, overlooking past-due shipments. Our new metric now includes both delivered materials and those scheduled to deliver based on contractual commitments.

Benefits of the New Method

- Provides a more accurate picture of supplier delivery performance
- Increases visibility into overdue materials
- Drives accountability throughout the value stream

By making this change, we're better equipped to support our customer's needs and ensure timely delivery of quality components. If you have any questions or concerns about the new supplier delivery score calculations, please don't hesitate to reach out.

SUPPLIER DELIVERY SCORE METRICS EXAMPLE

DELIVERY SCORE (Current)	Ontime	Late		Total	Delivery Score	Weighted Delivery	Quality Score	Weighted Quality	Responsiveness	Overall Score
Count	27	67	-	94	28.72	11.488	92.63	46.31	0	57.80
CONTRACTED DELIVERY SCORE (New)	Ontime	Late	Overdue	Total	Delivery Score	Weighted Delivery	Quality Score	Weighted Quality	Responsiveness	Overall Score
Count	27	67	74	168	16.07	6.428	92.63	46.31	0	52.74

Impact to Delivery Scores (254)	
Current	New
Same Color	72%
	2%
	1%
	6%
	1%
	2%
	6%
No Score	11%

Current deliver Scores: Material Delivered On-time. **Total Material**

Contracted Deliver Score: **Material delivered on-time**. Total Material Delivered + CDD's Overdue

Understanding FAR 9.104: A Guide for Prospective Contractors

As a prospective contractor, it's essential to understand the standards outlined in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 9.104. This regulation establishes the criteria that contractors must meet to be considered responsible and eligible for government contracts. In this newsletter, we'll break down the key elements of FAR 9.104 and provide recommendations for suppliers looking to participate in federal contracts.

What is FAR 9.104?

FAR 9.104 outlines the standards that prospective contractors must meet to be considered responsible. These standards include:

- Adequate Financial Resources: Demonstrating sufficient financial health to fulfill contract requirements
- Ability to Comply with Delivery Schedules: Proving capability to meet delivery timelines
- Satisfactory Performance Record: Having a history of successful performance on similar contracts
- Integrity and Business Ethics: Maintaining a reputation of integrity and ethical business practices
- Necessary Organization, Experience, and Skills: Having the appropriate workforce and expertise to meet contract requirements
- Necessary Equipment and Facilities: Having access to required facilities and equipment to produce components and materials
- Eligibility and Legal Compliance: Complying with all applicable laws and regulations

Application to Shipbuilding Supply Base

Suppliers must ensure compliance with FAR 9.104 standards through robust internal processes and documentation. Key considerations include:

- Quality Assurance Systems: Maintaining comprehensive quality control processes
- Cybersecurity Compliance: Ensuring IT systems and processes adhere to DFARS requirements
- Financial Viability: Demonstrating fiscal health, particularly for long-term contracts
- Past Performance Documentation: Providing evidence of successful participation in similar projects

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Recommendations:

To enhance eligibility and competitiveness within the industry, suppliers should:

1. Regularly review and update internal processes to ensure compliance with FAR 9.104
2. Maintain clear records of past performance to demonstrate reliability and success
3. Continuously assess financial health and make improvements where necessary

By understanding and adhering to the standards outlined in FAR 9.104, suppliers can increase their chances of success in government contracts. If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. We're here to help.



Safeguarding Unclassified Naval Nuclear Propulsion Information (U-NNPI)

As a supplier to Newport News Shipbuilding (NNS), it is essential to understand the importance of safeguarding Unclassified Naval Nuclear Propulsion Information (U-NNPI). This information is critical to our national security, and it is our responsibility to protect it.

What is U-NNPI?

U-NNPI refers to unclassified information related to the design, arrangement, development, manufacture, testing, operation, administration, training, maintenance, and repair of the propulsion plants of naval nuclear-powered ships and prototypes, including associated shipboard and shore-based nuclear support facilities.

Supplier Requirements

To receive U-NNPI, suppliers must meet the following requirements:

- Valid Need-to-Know (NTK)
- Valid Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) / North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Commercial and Government Entity (NCAGE)
- Current and Active System for Award Management (SAM) registration
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Assessment documented in the Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS)
- Active Joint Certification Program (JCP) certification
- Annually complete Form NN 9540, Security Agreement for Protection of NNPI

Safeguarding and Storage Requirements

To ensure the security of U-NNPI, suppliers must:

- Control access to U-NNPI so that only authorized individuals with a valid NTK can access it
- Store U-NNPI in a secure container, such as a file cabinet or safe, when not in use
- Have a documented Key Control Process for the key to the container
- Ensure that only authorized persons have access to the container
- Use a cover sheet with a warning statement on supplier-originated documents that reproduce, expand upon, or modify U-NNPI information
- Return or destroy U-NNPI documents or media no longer required for contract execution

Don't forget to click:

Did you know that we have a webpage designed specifically for Newport News Suppliers. Find Supplier resources along with any changes or updates including upcoming supplier events.

<https://hii.com/suppliers/newport-news-suppliers/>

