



SPECIALTY METALS SUPPLEMENT TO LPD PURCHASE ORDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

For Purchase Orders awarded on or after September 19, 2008, the following DFARS clause supersedes and replaces in its entirety the version of DFARS 252.225-7014 as otherwise provided in any Purchase Order Terms and Conditions referenced in this Order. All other terms, conditions, FAR and DFARS clauses remain in effect.

DFARS 252.225-7014 PREFERENCE FOR DOMESTIC SPECIALTY METALS (DEVIATION 2008-O0002) ALTERNATE I (DEVIATION 2008-O0002)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause--

- (1) "Assembly" means an item forming a portion of a system or subsystem that can be provisioned and replaced as an entity and which incorporates multiple, replaceable parts.
- (2) "Commercial derivative military article" means an item procured by the Department of Defense that is or will be produced using the same production facilities, a common supply chain, and the same or similar production processes that are used for the production of articles predominantly used by the general public or by nongovernmental entities for purposes other than governmental purposes.
- (3) "Commercially available off-the-shelf item" –
 - (i) Means any item of supply, that is –
 - (A) A commercial item;
 - (B) Sold in substantial quantities in the commercial marketplace; and
 - (C) Offered to the Government, under a contract or subcontract at any tier, without modification, in the same form in which it is sold in the commercial marketplace; and
 - (ii) Does not include bulk cargo, as defined in section 3 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. App. 1702), such as agricultural products and petroleum products.
- (4) "Component" means any item supplied to the Government as part of an end item or another component.
- (5) "Electronic component" means an item that operates by controlling the flow of electrons or other electrically charged particles in circuits, using interconnections of electronic devices such as resistors, inductors, capacitors, diodes, switches, transistors, or integrated circuits.
- (6) "End item" means the final production product when assembled or completed, and ready for issue, delivery, or deployment
- (7) "Produce" means the application of forces or processes to a specialty metal to create desired physical properties through quenching or tempering of steel plate, or gas atomization or sputtering titanium.
- (8) "Qualifying country" means any country listed in subsection 225.872-1(a) or (b) of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS).
- (9) "Required form" means in the form of mill product, such as bar, billet, wire, slab, plate or sheet, and in the grade appropriate for the production of—
 - (i) A finished end item delivered to the Department of Defense; or
 - (ii) A finished component assembled into an end item delivered to the Department of Defense.
- (10) "Specialty metal" means--
 - (i) Steel--

(A) With a maximum alloy content exceeding one or more of the following limits: manganese, 1.65 percent; silicon, 0.60 percent; or copper, 0.60 percent; or

(B) Containing more than 0.25 percent of any of the following elements: aluminum, chromium, cobalt, molybdenum, nickel, niobium (columbium), titanium, tungsten, or vanadium.

(ii) Metal alloys consisting of—

(A) Nickel or iron-nickel alloys that contain a total of alloying metals other than nickel and iron in excess of 10 percent; or

(B) Cobalt alloys that contain a total of alloying metals other than cobalt and iron in excess of 10 percent;

(iii) Titanium and titanium alloys.

(iv) Zirconium and zirconium alloys.

(11) “Subsystem” means a functional grouping items that combine to perform a major function within an end item, such as electrical power, attitude control, and propulsion.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this clause, any specialty metals incorporated in items delivered under this contract shall be melted or produced in the United States, its outlying areas, or a qualifying country, except for—

(1) Electronic components;

(2) (i) Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) items; other than—

(A) COTS fasteners, unless such fasteners are incorporated into COTS end items, subsystems, assemblies, or components.

(B) Forgings or castings of specialty metals, unless such forgings or castings are incorporated into COTS end items, subsystems, or assemblies.

(C) Commercially available high performance magnets, unless such high performance magnets are incorporated into COTS end items or subsystems;

(ii) A COTS item is considered to be “offered without modification” as long as it is not modified prior to contractual acceptance by the next higher tier in the supply chain.

(A) Specialty metals contained in a COTS items that was accepted without modification by the next higher tier are excepted and remain excepted even if a piece of the COTS items subsequently is removed (e.g., the end is removed from a COTS screw or an extra hole is drilled in a COTS bracket).

(B) For specialty metals that were not contained in a COTS item upon acceptance, but are added to the COTS item after acceptance, the added specialty metals are subject to the restrictions (e.g., a special reinforced handle made of specialty metal that is added to a COTS item).

(C) If two or more COTS items are combined in such a way that the resultant item is not a COTS item, only the specialty metals involved in joining the COTS items together are subject to the restrictions (e.g., a COTS aircraft is outfitted with the a COTS engine, but not the COTS engine normally provided with that aircraft).

(D) For COTS items that are normally sold in the commercial marketplace with various options, items that include such options are also COTS items. However, if a COTS item is offered to the Government with an option that is not normally offered in the commercial marketplace, that option is subject to the specialty metals restrictions. (e.g., an aircraft is normally sold to the public with an option for several different radios. DoD requests a military-unique radio. The aircraft is still a COTS item, but the military-unique radio is not a COTS item, and must comply with the specialty metals restrictions, unless another exception applies.

(3) Fasteners that are commercial items that are purchased under a contract or subcontract with a manufacturer of such fasteners, if the manufacturer has certified that it will purchase, during the relevant calendar year, an amount of domestically melted specialty metal, in the required form, for use in the



production of fasteners for sale to the Department of Defense and other customers, that is not less than 50% of the total amount of the specialty metal that it will purchase to carry out the production of such fasteners for all customers.

(4) Items manufactured in a qualifying country;

(5) Items for which the Government has determined in accordance with 225.700X-3 of Class Deviation 2008-00002 that specialty metal melted or produced in the United States cannot be acquired as and when needed in—

(i) A satisfactory quality;

(ii) A sufficient quantity; and

(iii) The required form.

(6) Specialty metals, other than specialty metals in high performance magnets, that do not meet any of the exceptions in paragraphs (b)(1) through (5) of this clause, if the total weight of such noncompliant metals does not exceed 2 percent of the total weight of specialty metals in the item, as estimated in good faith by the Contractor.

(c) (1) Streamlined compliance for commercial derivative military articles. As an alternative to the compliance required in paragraph (b) of this clause, the Contractor may purchase an amount of domestically melted specialty metals in the required form, for use during the period of contract performance in the production of the commercial derivative military article and the related commercial article, in the amount determined in accordance with paragraph (c)(2) of this clause, if—

(i) This is an acquisition of commercial derivative military articles; and

(ii) The Contractor has certified in its offer in accordance with paragraph (c)(2) of this clause.

(2) Certification for streamlined compliance for commercial derivative military articles (to be submitted with offer when applicable). The offeror () certifies () does not certify that prior to award it will have entered into a contractual agreement or agreements to purchase an amount of domestically melted or produced specialty metal in the required form for use during the period of contract performance in the production of the commercial derivative military article and the related commercial article, that is not less than the Contractor's good faith estimate of the greater of—

(i) An amount equivalent to 120% of the amount of specialty metal that is required to carry out the production of the commercial derivative military article (including the work performed under each subcontract); or

(ii) An amount equivalent to 50% of the amount of specialty metal that is purchased by the contractor and its subcontractors for use during such period in the production of the commercial derivative military article and the related commercial article.

(3) For the purposes of the certification in paragraph (c)(2) of this clause, the amount of specialty metal that is required to carry out the production of the commercial derivative military article includes specialty metal contained in any item, including commercially available off-the-shelf items, incorporated into such commercial derivative military article.

(d) Unless the Contractor has certified in accordance with paragraph (c), the Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, excluding paragraph (c) but including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts for articles containing specialty metals.