

FAR Clause

52.251-1 Government Supply Sources.

As prescribed in [51.107](#), insert the following clause:

Government Supply Sources (Apr 2012)

The Contracting Officer may issue the Contractor an authorization to use Government supply sources in the performance of this contract. Title to all property acquired by the Contractor under such an authorization shall vest in the Government unless otherwise specified in the contract. The provisions of the clause at FAR [52.245-1](#), Government Property, apply to all property acquired under such authorization

(End of clause)

FAR Part 51

51.101 Policy.

(a) If it is in the Government's interest, and if supplies or services required in the performance of a Government contract are available from Government supply sources, contracting officers may authorize contractors to use these sources in performing-

(1) Government cost-reimbursement contracts;

(2) Other types of negotiated contracts when the agency determines that a substantial dollar portion of the contractor's contracts are of a Government cost-reimbursement nature; or

(3) A contract under [41 U.S.C. chapter 85](#), Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, if-

(i) The nonprofit agency requesting use of the supplies and services is providing a commodity or service to the Federal Government; and

(ii) The supplies or services received are directly used in making or providing a commodity or service, approved by the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, to the Federal Government (see [Subpart 8.7](#)).

(b) Contractors with fixed-price Government contracts that require protection of security classified information may acquire security equipment through GSA sources (see 41 CFR 101-26.507).

(c) Contracting officers shall authorize contractors purchasing supply items for Government use that are available from the Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled (see [Subpart 8.7](#)) to purchase such items from the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), the General Services Administration (GSA), and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) if they are available from these agencies through their distribution facilities. Mandatory supplies that are not available from DLA/GSA/VA shall be ordered through the appropriate central nonprofit agency (see [52.208-9\(c\)](#)).

FAR 51.107

51.107 Contract Clause

The contracting officer shall insert the clause at 52.251-1, Government Supply Sources, in solicitations and contracts when the contracting officer authorizes the contractor to acquire supplies or services from a Government supply source

GSA Order ADM 4800-2H

Subject : Eligibility to Use GSA Sources of Supply and Services.

d. **Other organizations authorized** under the authority of **40 U.S.C. 64** 501 - 502. GSA has determined that certain organizations, other than those described above, are eligible to use its sources of supply and services under the authority provided to the Administrator by 40 U.S.C. **ff** 501 - 502.

(1) Cost-reimbursement contractors (and subcontractors) as Properly authorized. Under 40 U.S.C. § 501 the Administrator determined that in order to promote greater economy and efficiency in Government procurement programs, contractors performing cost-reimbursement type contracts or other types of negotiated contracts, when the agency determines that a substantial dollar portion is of a cost-reimbursement nature, may be authorized to use GSA sources of supply. This authorization is reflected in Part 51 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), which provides that agencies may authorize certain contractors (generally cost-reimbursement contractors) to use GSA sources of supply. In each case, the written authorization must conform to the requirements of FAR Part 51, Use of Government Sources by Contractors. Contractors are not eligible to obtain GSA city-pair contract airfares.

(2) Cost-reimbursement **or fixed** price contractors **use of GSA** Fleet motor vehicles and related services. Subpart 51.2 of the FAR states that, if it is in the Government's interest, a contracting officer may authorize a cost reimbursement contractor to obtain, for official purposes only, GSA Fleet motor vehicles and related services. The FAR also states that Government contractors shall not be authorized to use GSA Fleet motor vehicles and related services for use in performance of any contract other than a cost-reimbursement contract, except as otherwise specifically approved by the Administrator. Accordingly, any request for use of GSA Fleet vehicles and related services by other than a cost-reimbursement contractor must be requested by the agency contracting officer and approved by GSA.

(3) Fixed-price contractors and subcontractors) purchasing security equipment. Under 40 U.S.C. § 501, -i the Administrator has determined that fixed-price contractors and lower-tier subcontractors who are required to maintain custody of security classified records and information may purchase security equipment from GSA. Procedures for such acquisitions are set forth in 41 CFR 101-26.507. - -

[http://www.gsa.gov/portal/mediaId/117782/fileName/ADM_48002H_Eligibility_to_Use_GSA_Sources_of_Supply_and_Services_\(Signed_June_25_2014\).action](http://www.gsa.gov/portal/mediaId/117782/fileName/ADM_48002H_Eligibility_to_Use_GSA_Sources_of_Supply_and_Services_(Signed_June_25_2014).action)

FAR 51.102 has general directions for setting up the contract and assigning AACs and DODAACs

51.102 Authorization to use Government supply sources.

(a) Before issuing an authorization to a contractor to use Government supply sources in accordance with [51.101](#)(a) or (b), the contracting officer shall place in the contract file a written finding supporting issuance of the authorization. A written finding is not required when authorizing use of Government supply sources in accordance with [51.101](#)(c). Except for findings under [51.101](#)(a)(3), the determination shall be based on, but not limited to, considerations of the following factors:

(1) The administrative cost of placing orders with Government supply sources and the program impact of delay factors, if any.

(2) The lower cost of items available through Government supply sources.

(3) Suitability of items available through Government supply sources.

(4) Delivery factors such as cost and time.

(5) Recommendations of the contractor.

(b) Authorizations to subcontractors shall be issued through, and with the approval of, the contractor.

(c) Upon deciding to authorize a contractor to use Government supply sources, the contracting officer shall request, in writing, as applicable-

(1) A FEDSTRIP activity address code, through the agency's central contact point for matters involving activity address codes, from the:

General Services Administration
FXS
Washington DC 20406

(2) A MILSTRIP activity address code from the appropriate Department of Defense (DoD) service point listed in Section 1 of the Introduction to the DoD Activity Address Directory;

(3) Approval for the contractor to use Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) supply sources from the:

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management (Code 90)
Office of Acquisition and Materiel Management
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Avenue NW
Washington DC 20420

(4) Approval for the contractor to acquire helium from the:

Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
Helium Field Operations
801 S. Fillmore Street
Amarillo TX 79101-3545

or

(5) Approval from the appropriate agency for the contractor to use a Government supply source other than those identified in paragraphs (c)(1) through (c)(4) of this section.

(d) Each request made under paragraph (c) of this section shall contain-

(1) The complete address(es) to which the contractor's mail, freight, and billing documents are to be directed;

(2) A copy of the contracting officer's letter of authorization to the contractor;

(3) The prime contract number(s); and

(4) The effective date and duration of each contract.

(e) In each authorization to the contractor, the contracting officer-

(1) Shall cite the contract number(s) involved;

(2) Shall, when practicable, limit the period of the authorization;

(3) Shall specify, as appropriate, that-

(i) When requisitioning from GSA or DoD, the contractor shall use FEDSTRIP or MILSTRIP, as appropriate, and include the activity address code assigned by GSA or DoD;

(ii) When requisitioning from the VA, the contractor should use FEDSTRIP or MILSTRIP, as appropriate, [Optional Form 347](#), Order for Supplies or Services (see 53.302-347), or an agency-approved form; and

(iii) When placing orders for helium with the Bureau of Land Management, the contractor shall reference the Federal contract number on the purchase order;

(4) May include any other limitations or conditions deemed necessary. For example, the contracting officer may-

(i) Authorize purchases from Government supply sources of any overhead supplies, but no production supplies;

(ii) Limit any authorization requirement to use Government sources to a specific dollar amount, thereby leaving the contractor free to make smaller purchases from other sources if so desired;

(iii) Restrict the authorization to certain facilities or to specific contracts; or

(iv) Provide specifically if vesting of title is to differ from other property acquired or otherwise furnished by the contractor for use under the contract; and

(5) Shall instruct the contractor to comply with the applicable policies and procedures prescribed in this subpart.

(f) After issuing the authorization, the authorizing agency shall be responsible for-

(1) Ensuring that contractors comply with the terms of their authorizations and that supplies and services obtained from Government supply sources are properly accounted for and properly used;

(2) Any indebtedness incurred for supplies or services and not satisfied by the contractor; and

(3) Submitting, in writing, to the appropriate Government sources, address changes of the contractor and deletions when contracts are completed or terminated.

DoDAAC and AAC information website

This website has directions and links for finding each organization's POC.

https://www.gsaadvantage.gov/advantage/information/page.do;jsessionid=B999A129150D7140958BA8EBADE9133E.E7?keyName=AAC_APP