

announcing the availability of additional data and the EPA's consideration of this new data, today's action does not create a mandate upon State, local, or tribal governments.

H. Executive Order 13045: Protection of Children From Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks

Executive Order 13045 applies to any rule that the EPA determines (1) is economically significant as defined under Executive Order 12866, and (2) the environmental health or safety risk addressed by the rule has a disproportionate effect on children. If the regulatory action meets both criteria, the EPA must evaluate the environmental health or safety effects of the planned rule on children and explain why the planned regulation is preferable to other potentially effective and reasonably feasible alternatives considered by the EPA.

Today's action is not subject to Executive Order 13045 because it does not involve decisions on environmental health or safety risks that may disproportionately affect children.

I. Executive Order 13084: Consultation and Coordination With Indian Tribal Governments

Under Executive Order 13084, the EPA may not issue a regulation that is not required by statute, that significantly or uniquely affects the communities of Indian tribal governments, and that imposes substantial direct compliance costs on those communities unless the Federal government provides the funds necessary to pay the direct compliance costs incurred by the tribal governments, or the EPA consults with those governments. If the EPA complies by consulting, Executive Order 13084 requires the EPA to provide to the OMB, in a separately identified section of the preamble to the rule, a description of the extent of the EPA's prior consultation with representatives of affected tribal governments, a summary of the nature of their concerns, and a statement supporting the need to issue the regulation. In addition, Executive Order 13084 requires the EPA to develop an effective process permitting elected officials and other representatives of Indian tribal governments to provide meaningful and timely input in the development of regulatory policies on matters that significantly or uniquely affect their communities.

Today's action does not significantly or uniquely affect the communities of Indian tribal governments. The proposed rule, published on February 6,

1998, does not create mandates upon tribal governments. Because today's action announces the availability of additional data and the EPA's interpretation of that data, today's action does not create a mandate on tribal governments. Accordingly, the requirements of section 3(b) of Executive Order 13084 do not apply to this action.

J. National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act

Section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA) directs all Federal agencies to use voluntary consensus standards instead of government-unique standards in their regulatory activities unless to do so would be inconsistent with applicable law or otherwise impractical. Voluntary consensus standards are technical standards (e.g., materials specifications, test methods, sampling procedures, business practices) that are developed or adopted by one or more voluntary consensus standards bodies. Examples of organizations generally regarded as voluntary consensus standards bodies include the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE). The NTTAA requires Federal agencies like the EPA to provide Congress, through OMB, with explanations when an agency decides not to use available and applicable voluntary consensus standards.

Today's notice does not involve any new technical standards or the incorporation by reference of existing technical standards. Therefore, consideration of voluntary consensus standards is not relevant to this action.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

46 CFR Part 520

[Docket No. 98-29]

Carrier Automated Tariff Systems

AGENCY: Federal Maritime Commission.
ACTION: Proposed Rule; Correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects Appendix A to part 520 in the proposed rule published December 21, 1998 (63 FR 70368). The proposed rule

concerned the requirements for carrier automated tariff systems in accordance with the Shipping Act of 1984, as modified by Public Law 105-258 (the Ocean Shipping Reform Act of 1988) and § 424 of Public Law 105-383 (the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1998).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bryant L. VanBrakle, Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol St., NW, Washington, DC 20573, (202) 523-5725.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As published, the proposed rule, in error, omitted parts of Appendix A, Standard Terminology and Codes. The portions omitted contained the codes under the headings Inland Transportation Modes, Shipment Service Types, Freight Forwarder/Broker Type Codes and Tariff Type Codes. Accordingly, in the proposed rule beginning on page 70368 in the issue of December 21, 1998, make the following correction. Beginning on page 70379, Appendix A to part 520 is corrected to read as follows:

Appendix A—Standard Terminology and Codes

I. Publishing/Amendment Type Codes

Code Definition

- A Increase.
- C Change resulting in neither increase nor decrease in rate or charges.
- E Expiration (also use "A" if the deletion results in the application of a higher "cargo, n.o.s." or similar rate).
- I New or initial matter.
- K Rate or change filed by a controlled common carrier member of a conference under independent action.
- M Transportation of U.S. Department of Defense cargo by American-flag common carriers.
- P Addition of a port or point.
- R Reduction.
- S Special Case matter filed pursuant to Special Permission, Special Docket or other Commission direction, including filing of tariff data after suspension, such as for controlled carriers. Requires "Special Case Number."
- T Terminal Rates, charges or provisions or canal tolls over which the carrier has no control.
- W Withdrawal of an erroneous publication on the same publication date.
- X Exemption for controlled carrier data in trades served exclusively by controlled carriers or by controlled carriers of states receiving most-favored-nation treatment.

II. Valid Unit Codes

Weight Units

Kilograms.....	KGS
1000 Kgs (Metric Ton)	KT
Pounds	LBS
Long Ton (2240 LBS).....	LT
Short Ton (2000 LBS).....	ST

Volume Units

Cubic Meter.....	CBM
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Cubic feet	CFT	35FT 9'6" High Cube	35B	Bushel	BUS
Length Units		35FT 8'0"	35S	Box, with Inner Cntn	BXI
Centimeters	CM	35FT Any Height	35X	Bucket	BXT
Feet	FT	40FT 8'6"	40	Cabinet	CAB
Inches	IN	40FT 9'0" High Cube	40A	Cage	CAG
Meters	M	40FT 9'6" High Cube	40B	Can	CAN
Measure Board Feet		40FT 8'0"	40S	Carrier	CAR
Thousand Board Feet	MBF	40FT Any Height	40X	Case	CAS
Distance Units		42FT 8'6"	42	Cntrns of Bulk Cargo	CBC
Kilometers	KM	42FT 9'0" High Cube	42A	Carboy	CBY
Miles	MI	42FT 9'6" High Cube	42B	Can Case	CCS
Rate Basis		42FT 8'0"	42S	Cheese	CHE
Ad Valorem	AV	42FT Any Height	42X	Core	COR
Each	EA	43FT 8'6"	43	Cradle	CRD
Lump Sum	LS	43FT 9'0" High Cube	43A	Crate	CRT
Measure	M	43FT 9'6" High Cube	43B	Cask	CSK
Thousand Board Feet	MBF	43FT 8'0"	43S	Carton	CTN
Per Container	PC	43FT Any Height	43X	Cylinder	CYL
Weight	W	45FT 8'6"	45	Dry Bulk	DBK
Weight/Measure	WM	45FT 9'0" High Cube	45A	Double-length Rack	DRK
Container Size Codes		45FT 9'6" High Cube	45B	Drum	DRM
Not Applicable	N/A	45FT 8'0"	45S	Double-length Skid	DSK
Less Than Load	LTL	45FT Any Height	45X	Double-length	DTB
10FT Any Height	10X	48FT 8'6"	48	Firkin	FIR
Weight Units		48FT 9'0" High Cube	48A	Flo-Bin	FLO
Kilograms	KGS	48FT 9'6" High Cube	48B	Frame	FRM
1000 Kgs (Metric Ton)	KT	48FT 8'0"	48S	Flask	FSK
Pounds	LBS	48FT Any Height	48X	Forward Reel	FWR
Long Ton (2240 LBS)	LT	53FT 8'6"	53	Garment on Hanger	GOH
Short Ton (2000 LBS)	ST	53FT 9'0" High Cube	53A	Heads of Beef	HED
Volume Units		53FT 9'6" High Cube	53B	Hogshead	HGH
Cubic meter	CBM	53FT 8'0"	53S	Hopper Car	HPC
Cubic feet	CFT	53FT Any Height	53X	Hopper Truck	HPT
Length Units		Container Type Codes		On Hanger/Rack in bx	HRB
Centimeters	CM	Not Applicable	N/A	Half-Standard Rack	HRK
Feet	FT	Atomsphere Control	AC	Half-Stand. Tote Bin	HTB
Inches	IN	Collapsible Flatrack	CF	Jar	JAR
Meters	M	Drop Frame	DF	Keg	KEG
Measure Board Feet		Flat Bed	FB	Kit	KIT
Thousand Board Feet	MBF	Flat Rack	FR	Knockdown Rack	KRK
Distance Units		Garment Container	GC	Knockdown Tote Bin	KTB
Kilometers	KM	Half-Height	HH	Liquid Bulk	LBK
Miles	MI	Hardtop	HT	Lifts	LIF
Rates Basis		Insulated	IN	Log	LOG
Ad Valorem	AV	Open Top	OT	Loose	LSE
Each	EA	Dry	PC	Lug	LUG
Lump Sum	LS	Platform	PL	Lift Van	LVN
Measure	M	Reefer	RE	Multi-roll Pak	MRP
Thousand Board Feet	MBF	Tank	TC	Noil	NOL
Per Container	PC	Top Loader	TL	Nested	NST
Weight	W	Trailer	TR	Pail	PAL
Weight/Measure	WM	Vehicle Racks	VR	Packed—NOS	PCK
Container Size Codes		Container Temperature Codes		Pieces	PCS
Not Applicable	N/A	Not Appl/Operating	N/A	Pirns	PIR
Less Than Loan	LTL	Artificial Atmo Ctrl	AC	Package	PKG
10FT Any Height	10X	Chilled	CLD	Platform	PLF
20FT 8'6"	20	Frozen	FRZ	Pipe Line	PLN
20FT 9'0" High Cube	20A	Heated	HTD	Pallet	PLT
20FT 9'6" High Cube	20B	Refrigerated	RE	Private Vehicle	POV
20FT 8'0"	20S	Ventilated	VEN	Pipe Rack	PRK
20FT Any Height	20X	Packaging Codes		Quarters of Beef	QTR
24FT 8'6"	24	Bag	BAG	Rail (semiconductor)	RAL
24FT 9'0" High Cube	24A	Bale	BAL	Rack	RCK
24FT 9'6" High Cube	24B	Bar	BAR	Reel	REL
24FT 8'0"	24S	Barrel	BBL	Roll	ROL
24FT Any Height	24X	Bundle	BDL	Reverse Reel	RVR
35FT 8'6"	35	Beam	BEM	Sack	SAK
35FT 9'0" High Cube	35A	Bing Chest	BIC	Shook	SHK
		Bin	BIN	Sides of Beef	SID
		Bulk	BLK	Skid	SKD
		Bobbin	BOB	Skid, Elev. Lift Trk	SKE
		Box	BOX	Sleeve	SLV
		Barge	BRG	Spin Cylinders	SPI
		Basket/Hamper	BSK	Spool	SPL
				Tube	TBE
				Tote Bin	TBN

Tank Car Rail	TKR
Tank Truck	TKT
Intermdl Trlr/Cntnr	TLD
Tank	TNK
Tierce	TRC
Trunk and Chest	TRK
Tray	TRY
Trunk, Salesmen Samp	TSS
Tub	TUB
Unpacked	UNP
Unit	UNT
Vehicles	VEH
Van Pack	VPK
On Own Wheels	WHE
Wheeled Carrier	WLC
Wrapped	WRP
Not Applicable	N/A
Shipment Stowage Location Codes	
Not Applicable	N/A
On Deck	OD
Bottom Stowage	BS
Hazard Codes	
Not Applicable	N/A
IMD Stow Category A	A
IMD Stow Category B	B
IMD Stow Category C	C
IMD Stow Category D	D
IMD Stow Category E	E
Hazardous	HAZ
Non-Hazardous	NHZ
Stuffing/Stripping Modes	
Not Applicable	N/A
Mechanical	MECH
Hand Loading	HAND
Inland Transportation Modes	
Not Applicable	N/A
Motor	M
Rail	R
Barge	B
Motor/Rail	MR
Rail/Motor	RM
Motor/Barge	MB
Barge/Motor	BM
Rail/Barge	RB
Barge/Rail	BR
Shipment Service Types	
Barge	B
Door	D
House	H
Motor	M
Ocean Port	O
Pier	P
Rail Yard	R
Container Station	S
Terminal	T
Container Yard	Y
Rail Siding	U
Team Tracks	X
Freight Forwarder/Broker Type Codes	
Not Applicable	N/A
Freight Forwarder	FF
Customs House Broker	CB
Other	OTH
Tariff Type Codes	
BL	Bill of Lading Tariff
EL	Equipment Interchange Agreement Tariff
ET	Essential Terms Publication
FC	Foreign Commodity Tariff
FR	Foreign Rules Tariff
TM	Terminal Tariff

SC.....Service Contracts
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

48 CFR Parts 204, 212, 213, 252, and 253

[DFARS Case 98-D027]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Taxpayer Identification Numbers and Commercial and Government Entity Codes

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).
ACTION: Proposed rule with request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Director of Defense Procurement is proposing to amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to add procedures for reporting payment information to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS); to revise the procedures for obtaining Taxpayer Identification Numbers (TINs) and Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) codes when contractors are required to register in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database; and to make editorial changes.

DATES: Comments on the proposed rule should be submitted in writing to the address identified below on or before March 16, 1999, to be considered in the formulation of the final rule.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should submit written comments on the proposed rule to: Defense Acquisition Regulation Council, Attn: Ms. Sandra G. Haberlin, PDUSD (A&T) DP (DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telefax number (703) 602-0350. E-mail comments submitted over the Internet should be addressed to: dfars@acq.osd.mil. Please cite DFARS Case 98-D027 in all correspondence related to this issue. E-mail correspondence should cite DFARS Case 98-D027 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Sandra G. Haberlin, (703) 602-0131.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This proposed rule adds procedures for reporting payment information to the IRS; revises the procedures for obtaining TIN and CAGE codes when contractors are required to register in the CCR database; and makes a number of editorial changes.

1. *Reporting payment information to the IRS.* This DFARS rule supplements the FAR interim rule (Case No. 97-003) published as Item I of FAC 97-09 on October 30, 1998 (63 FR 58586).

a. The FAR rule renumbered and retitled FAR 4.903, Payment information, as FAR 4.904, Reporting payment information to the IRS; and deleted the list, previously located at FAR 4.903(b), of the types of payments that are exempt from reporting payment information to the IRS on Form 1099. The list was deleted as being unnecessary to include in the FAR because the payment office is responsible for submitting Form 1099 reports to the IRS.

b. This rule adds a new section at DFARS 204.904, Reporting payment information to the IRS. This section contains a list that is similar to the one previously found in the FAR, but the DFARS list has been updated to comply with the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (Pub. L. 105-32). Section 1022 of the Act amends 26 U.S.C. 6041A to add payments under certain classified contracts to the list of exceptions, and to remove payments for services provided by corporations from the list. DFARS 204.904 also adds a requirement for the contracting officer to provide a statement to the payment office if the contractor is providing services subject to Form 1099 reporting to the IRS. This statement is not required if the contracting officer concludes that one of the exceptions listed at DFARS 204.904(1) applies. This procedure was added to the DFARS to facilitate issuance of Form 1099 reports by the payment office.

2. *Procedures for obtaining TINs and CAGE code numbers when CCR applies.* The FAR rule also modified the process for obtaining TINs, by permitting agencies to prescribe their own unique procedures for obtaining TINs from contractors and for providing the TINs to the payment office. DoD uses the CCR database for these purposes. DFARS 252.204-7004, Required Central Contractor Registration, requires most contractors doing business with DoD to register in the CCR database prior to award of a contract, basic agreement, basic ordering agreement, or blanket purchase agreement. As part of the registration process, contractors must provide their TINs and DoD-unique CAGE code numbers. DoD payment offices have access to this information through the CCR database. This DFARS rule clarifies that the contracting officer shall not use the solicitation provisions at FAR 52.204-3, Taxpayer Identification, and DFARS 252.204-7001, Commercial and Government