



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS-2023-0035; OMB Control Number 0704-0386]

**Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition
Regulation Supplement; Small Business Programs**

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System; Department of
Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed
extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of
1995, DoD announces the proposed extension of a public
information collection requirement and seeks public comment on
the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: whether the
proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper
performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the
information will have practical utility; the accuracy of DoD's
estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection;
ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the
information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of
the information collection on respondents, including through the
use of automated collection techniques or other forms of
information technology. The Office of Management and Budget
(OMB) has approved this information collection requirement under
Control Number 0704-0386 through January 31, 2024. DoD proposes
that OMB approve an extension of the information collection

requirement, to expire three years after the approval date.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704-0386, using any of the following methods:

- o *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- o *Email:* osd.dfars@mail.mil. Include OMB Control Number 0704-0386 in the subject line of the message.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jeanette Snyder, at 703-508-7524.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), Small Business Programs and associated clauses in Part 252; OMB Control Number 0704-0386.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Respondents: 41.

Responses per respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 41.

Hours per response: 1.

Estimated Hours: 41.

Frequency: On occasion.

Needs and Uses: DoD uses this information to improve administration under the small business subcontracting program and to evaluate a contractor's past performance in complying with its subcontracting plan. The clause at DFARS 252.219-7003, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (DoD Contracts), is prescribed for use in solicitations and contracts that include the clause at FAR 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan. Paragraph (e) of the clause requires the contractor to notify the contracting officer, in writing, of any substitutions of firms that are not small business firms, for the small business firms specifically identified in the subcontracting plan. The notification is necessary when (1) a prime contractor has identified specific small business concerns in its subcontracting plan, and (2) after contract award, substitutes one of the small businesses identified in its subcontracting plan with a firm that is not a small business. The intent of this information collection is to alert the contracting officer of this situation.

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