

Common Government Acronyms

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ACDA - United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency

ACF - Administration for Children and Families

ACFR - Administrative Committee of the Federal Register

ACHP - Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

ACQWeb - Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology

ACS - Office of American Citizens Services and Crisis Management

ACSFA - Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance

ACYF - Administration for Children, Youth, and Families

BATF - Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms

BEA - Bureau of Economic Affairs

BLS - Bureau of Labor Statistics

BNL - Brookhaven National Laboratory

BOP - Federal Bureau of Prisons

BOR - Bureau of Reclamation

BPA - Bonneville Power Administration

BPC - Best Practices Committee

BPD - Bureau of the Public Debt

BPHC - Bureau of Primary Health Care

BRAC - Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission

BRB - Benefits Review Board

BRD - Biological Resource Division

BTOP - Broadband Technology Opportunities Program

CAGE CODE - Commercial and Government Entity Code= A five character compilation of numbers and letters that is the approval of a company's SAM registration, similar to what a Tax ID is to the IRS.

CAOC - Chief Acquisition Officers Council

CAP - Civil Air Patrol

CASMIRC - Child Abduction and Serial Murder Investigative Resources Center

CATC - Clean Air Technology Center

CBCA - Civilian Board of Contract Appeals

CPS - Center for Policy Studies

CSRS - Civil Service Retirement System

DBA – Doing Business As

DERT - Division of Extramural Research & Training







DESA - Department of Economic and Social Affairs

DESC - Defense Energy Support Center

DFAS - Defense Finance and Accounting Service

DFEC - Division of Federal Employees' Compensation

DHAC - Division of Health Assessment and Consultation

DHS - Department of Homeland Security

DLA - Defense Logistics Agency = Agency that verifies validity of a SAM registrant and issues the CAGE

DOD – Department of Defense.

DOE - Department of Energy

DOI - Department of Interior

DOJ - Department of Justice

DOL - Department of Labor

DSBS - Dynamic Small Business Search = Data base used to search for small businesses to procure contracts under 25K, usually on a no bid basis

DUNS NUMBER - Number assigned by Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) that is no longer in use

EEOC - Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

EEOICP - Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program

EEOMBD - Ombudsman for the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program

EPLS – Excluded Parties List System = A list of parties that are excluded from receiving Government contracts

FBI - Federal Bureau of Investigation

FDA - Food and Drug Administration

FDIC - Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

FEC - Federal Election Commission

FEMA - Federal Emergency Management Agency

FEMA - Federal Emergency Management Agency = Companies can register with FEMA to become eligible for contracts in the event of an emergency.

FJC - Federal Judicial Center

FLC - Federal Laboratory Consortium

FLETC - Federal Law Enforcement Training Center

FLH - Office of Federal Lands Highway

FLICC - Federal Library and Information Center Committee

FLRA - Federal Labor Relations Authority

FMC - Federal Maritime Commission

FOIA - Freedom of Information Act

G/TIP - Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons

GPC - Grants Policy Committee

GPO - Government Printing Office







GPRA - Government Performance and Results Act

GSA - General Services Administration

GSA - General Services Administration = Preferred contract vehicle used for procurement by Federal agencies that allows a business to get set up with a preferred vendor status.

GSFC - Goddard Space Flight Center

GSTC - Geospatial Service and Technology Center

HIP - Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program

HIPAA - Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996

HISPC - Health Information Security and Privacy Collaboration

HMDA - Home Mortgage Disclosure Act

HMI - Healthy Marriage Initiative

HPCC - High Performance Computing and Communications

LBN - Legal Business Name

LM - Office of Legacy Management

LOC - Library of Congress

LOCIS - Library of Congress Information System

LSC - Legal Services Corporation

M&M - Medicare and Medicaid

MDA - Missile Defense Agency

MDB - Multilateral Development Banks

MedPAC - Medicare Payment Advisory Commission

MEP - Manufacturing Extension Partnership

NAICS CODES - North American Industry Classification System = Codes used to identify specific industries, products, and services

NRCS - Natural Resource Conservation Service

OACU - Office of Animal Care and Use

OAG - Office of the Attorney General

OAHP - Office of Affordable Housing Preservation

OAIT - Office of American Indian Trust

OALJ - Office of Administrative Law Judges

PO - Post Office

PROCUREMENT - Process used to fulfill and award contracts to outside vendors.

PSC - Product Service Codes

SAM- System for Award Management = Payment Portal for the Federal Government

SAWCD - Soil & Water Conservation District

SBA - Small Business Administration = Classifies qualifying companies as a Small Business and/or as a company that qualifies for other government set-a-side programs.

SET-ASIDE – Contracts reserved for qualified small businesses most require certification in:





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(WOSB) Women Owned, (VOSB) Veteran Owned, (SDVOSB) Service-Disabled Veteran Owned, 8(a) Minority Owned or HUBZone

SG - Surgeon General

SSA - Social Security Act or Social Security Administration

TA - Business Transformation Agency

TIN – Tax Identification Number (9 digits)

TSA - Transportation Security Administration

TSC - Terrorist Screening Center

TSI - Transportation Safety Institute

UEI - Unique Entity ID

UEI NUMBER – Unique Entity ID = A 12-character unique number assigned to all entities who register to do business with the federal government in SAM

USA - United States Army

USACE - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

USAF - United States Air Force

USAFA - United States Air Force Academy

USDA - United States Department of Agriculture

USMC - United States Marine Corp

USN - United States Navy

