

31.205-43 Trade, business, technical and professional activity costs.

The following types of costs are allowable:

- (a) Memberships in trade, business, technical, and professional organizations.
- (b) Subscriptions to trade, business, professional, or other technical periodicals.
- (c) When the principal purpose of a meeting, convention, conference, symposium, or seminar is the dissemination of trade, business, technical or professional information or the stimulation of production or improved productivity-
 - (1) Costs of organizing, setting up, and sponsoring the meetings, conventions, symposia, etc., including rental of meeting facilities, transportation, subsistence, and incidental costs;
 - (2) Costs of attendance by contractor employees, including travel costs (see [31.205-46](#)); and
 - (3) Costs of attendance by individuals who are not employees of the contractor, provided-
 - (i) Such costs are not also reimbursed to the individual by the employing company or organization, and
 - (ii) The individuals attendance is essential to achieve the purpose of the conference, meeting, convention, symposium, etc.

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