

# 53.9001 Appointment of ordering officer.

(a) As prescribed in 1.603-3-91 (c)(2), use the following appointment letter for ordering officers:

Appointment of Ordering Officer

*[Contracting officer insert IDC or BPA number and name of procuring organization]*

1. Appointment. Under the authority of DLAD 1.603-3-91, you are hereby appointed as an Ordering Officer with authority as described in paragraph 2 below. Your appointment is effective on [ *contracting officer insert date* ]. This appointment automatically terminates when the Indefinite Delivery Contract (IDC) or Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) is completed. Your appointment may also be terminated in accordance with paragraph 4 below.

2. Authority, Limitations, and Requirements. Your ordering authority is only applicable to [ *contracting officer insert IDC or BPA number* ]. Your appointment is subject to the following limitations and requirements:

a. You are *not* authorized to—

- (1) Delegate your ordering authority.
- (2) Place an order for supplies or services not expressly within the scope of the IDC or BPA.
- (3) Take any action that could be considered an alteration of the terms and conditions of the IDC or BPA in any way, either directly or by implication.
- (4) Take any action that could be considered a termination of the IDC or BPA in any way, either directly or by implication.
- (5) Issue modifications to the IDC, BPA, or individual orders.
- (6) Issue instructions to the contractor to start or stop work.
- (8) Additional limitations: [contracting officer insert if applicable].

b. You shall—

- (1) Place orders for supplies or services only when expressly within the scope of the IDC or BPA.
- (2) Promptly notify me if you recommend increasing the quantity or dollar value or extending the ordering period to meet emergency requirements, if the contract terms and conditions permit.
- (3) Establish and maintain an official ordering officer file for each IDC and BPA for which you are authorized as an ordering officer. At a minimum, you shall include in each file the appointment letter and a spreadsheet listing all orders issued by you.
- (4) Provide the list of orders to me by the [ *contracting officer insert* ] day of each month.
- (5) Additional requirements: [contracting officer insert if applicable].

3. Standards of Conduct and Contracting Action Reporting Requirements.

- a. You shall comply with the standards of conduct prescribed in DoD Directive 5500.07, Standards of Conduct, and DoD 5000.07-R, The Joint Ethics Regulation (JER), and FAR Subparts 3.1 and 3.2.
- b. You shall provide me information required for contracting action reporting purposes in the manner and the time specified. (Refer to DFARS 204.6.)

4. Termination of Appointment.

- a. Your appointment may be terminated at any time and shall be terminated in writing; except that your appointment is automatically terminated when the contract is completed or when you leave Government employment.
- b. If you are separated from Government service while this appointment is in effect, you shall promptly notify me in writing. Your appointment shall automatically be terminated on the date you are separated from Government service.
- c. If you are reassigned from your present position while this appointment is in effect, you shall promptly notify me in writing. I will terminate your appointment in writing if you are reassigned to a location or position that is inconsistent with continuing as an ordering officer under this appointment.
- d. Your appointment will be terminated if—

- (1) You exceed or fail to perform within the appointment authority.
- (2) You fail to complete assigned corrective actions noted during oversight reviews.

5. Disposition of completed ordering officer files. Upon completion of the IDC or BPA, you shall provide me any hard copy records you maintained. If your appointment is terminated before IDC or BPA completion, you shall provide the records to me and your successor.

6. Acknowledgement of Receipt. You are required to acknowledge receipt and understanding of this appointment by signing below. Return a copy of the signed appointment letter to me.

(contracting officer insert)      (contracting officer insert)      (contracting officer insert)

Contracting Officer Name      Contracting Officer Signature      Date

(ordering officer insert)      (ordering officer insert)      (ordering officer insert)

Ordering Officer Name      Ordering Officer Signature      Date

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