

**SUBPART 216.5—INDEFINITE-DELIVERY CONTRACTS**  
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**216.501-2-70 General.**

(a)(i) For items with a shelf-life of less than six months, consider the use of indefinite-delivery type contracts with orders to be placed either—

(A) Directly by the users; or

(B) By central purchasing offices with deliveries direct to users.

(ii) Whenever an indefinite-delivery contract is issued, the issuing office must furnish all ordering offices sufficient information for the ordering office to complete its contract reporting responsibilities under 204.670-2. This data must be furnished to the ordering activity in sufficient time for the activity to prepare its report for the action within three working days of the order.

(b) See [217.204\(e\)\(i\)](#) for limitations on the period for task order or delivery order contracts awarded by DoD pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304a.

**216.504 Indefinite-quantity contracts.**

(c) *Multiple award preference—*

(1) *Planning the acquisition.*

(ii)(D)(1) The senior procurement executive has the authority to make the determination authorized in FAR 16.504(c)(1)(ii)(D)(1).

(i) In accordance with section 816 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232), when making the determination at FAR 16.504(c)(1)(ii)(D)(1)(i), the senior procurement executive shall determine that the task or delivery orders expected under the contract are so integrally related that only a single source can “efficiently perform the work,” instead of “reasonably perform the work” as required by the FAR.

(2) The congressional notification requirement at FAR 16.504(c)(1)(ii)(D)(2) does not apply to DoD.

(3)(i) In accordance with section 816 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Pub. L. 116-92), the determination at FAR 16.504(c)(1)(ii)(D)(1) is not required if a justification has been executed, in accordance with FAR 6.3 and subpart 206.3.

**216.505 Ordering.**

(a) *General.*

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(6) Orders placed under indefinite-delivery contracts may be issued on DD Form 1155, Order for Supplies or Services.

(S-70) Departments and agencies shall comply with the review, approval, and reporting requirements established in accordance with subpart [217.7](#) when placing orders under non-DoD contracts in amounts exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold.

(b) *Orders under multiple-award contracts.*

(1) *Fair opportunity.*

(A) See [215.101-2-70](#) for the limitations and prohibitions on the use of the lowest price technically acceptable source selection process, which are applicable to orders placed against multiple award indefinite delivery contracts.

(B) See [217.7801](#) for the prohibition on the use of reverse auctions for personal protective equipment and aviation critical safety items.

(2) *Exceptions to the fair opportunity process.* For an order exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold, that is a follow-on to an order previously issued for the same supply or service based on a justification for an exception to fair opportunity citing the authority at FAR 16.505(b)(2)(i)(B) or (C), follow the procedures at [PGI 216.505\(b\)\(2\)](#).

(6) *Postaward notices and debriefing of awardees for orders exceeding \$6 million.* In addition to the notice required at FAR 16.505(b)(6), a written or oral postaward debriefing of successful and unsuccessful awardees is required for task orders and delivery orders valued at \$10 million or more (section 818 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Pub. L. 115-91)).

(ii) Follow the procedures at [215.506](#) and [215.506-70](#) when providing the postaward debriefing to successful and unsuccessful awardees for task orders or delivery orders valued at \$10 million or more.

#### **216.505-70 Orders under multiple award contracts.**

(a) If only one offer is received in response to an order exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold that is placed on a competitive basis, the contracting officer shall follow the procedures at [215.371](#).

(b) See [PGI 216.505-70](#) for guidance regarding minimum labor category qualifications for orders issued under multiple-award services contracts.

#### **216.506 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.**

##### **216.506-70 Additional solicitation provisions and contract clause.**

(a) Use the provisions at [252.215-7007](#), Notice of Intent to Resolicit, and [252.215-7008](#), Only One Offer, as prescribed at [215.371-6](#) and [215.408\(3\)](#), respectively.

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(b) Use the clause at [252.216-7010](#), Postaward Debriefings for Task Orders and Delivery Orders, in competitive negotiated solicitations and contracts, including solicitations and contracts using FAR part 12 procedures for the acquisition of commercial items, when a multiple-award contract is contemplated and task orders or delivery orders placed under the contract may be valued at \$10 million or more.