

ITAR - International Traffic in Arms Regulations

International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) is a set of federal regulations defined to control the export of defense-related articles and services.

Three agencies are charged with enforcing and monitoring ITAR:

- The Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC), interprets and enforces ITAR. Its goal is to safeguard U.S. national security and further U.S. foreign policy objectives. The DDTC, a division of the Department of State, and in accordance with the Arms Export Control Administration AECA), is charged with controlling the export of defense articles and defense services. These defenses related articles and services are defined on The United States Munitions List (USML).
- The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), a division of the Department of Commerce (DoC), enforces and interprets the related Export Administration Regulations (EAR). The items on the Bis Commerce Control List (CCL) are often referred to as "dual use" items that have both commercial and military or proliferation applications but purely commercial items, without an obvious military use, are also subject to the EAR.
- Homeland Security Investigations Special Agents (formerly U.S. Customs) physically enforce ITAR and all export laws of the United States.

To export material and follow ITAR's regulations, thorough research of the material being exported must be performed, along with an End Use/ End User statement from the customer to determine if the export requires an export license.

License requirements are dependent upon an item's technical characteristics, the destination, the end-user and the end-use.

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