	Quick Reference				
Code	Can SOS Bid?*				
AMC 1	Yes				
AMC 2	Not until SAR approved				
AMC 3					
AMC 4					
AMC 5	No				
AMSC A	Possibly (case-by-case)				
AMSC B	Only if OEM lists SOS				
AMSC C	No (until SAR)				
AMSC D	No				
AMSC G	Yes				
AMSC H	Unlikely				
AMSC P	No				
AMSC R	No (unless OEM deal)				
AMSCT	Only if on QPL				
AMSC Z	MSC Z Yes				
1G	Yes				
1R	Yes if SOS can supply OEM-traceable parts.				
2G	2G Yes				
3B	Only via OEM listing				

Reference Explanation							
Code	Description (Plain English)	SAR Required?	Gov't Tech-Data Package (TDP)	Can SOS Bid?*	Notes / Work-arounds		
AMC 1	Fully competitive - data is in-hand and proven; item has already competed at least once.	No	Yes	Yes	Standard FAR/DFARS competition; SOS just needs traceable parts.		
AMC 2	Competitive for the first buy once data released.	No	Yes (or released with RFP)	Yes	Good entry point; expect tight schedule control.		
AMC 3	AMC 3 Limited data – must buy from OEM unless an alternate wins Source Approval.		Partial or none	Not until SAR approved	Typical path: submit SAR + test-article.		
AMC 4	Sole-source (unique design / IP).	Yes (hard)	No	No (unless teaming with OEM)	Practical only via licensing or teaming.		
AMC 5	Prime-contractor only (no usable data despite sub-tier info).	Yes (nearly impossible)	No	No	Essentially locked unless OEM changes stance.		
AMSC A	Gov't unsure of data rights (under review).	Maybe	Questionable	Possibly (case-by-case)	Treat as AMC-3 until rights cleared.		
AMSC B	Item on Source-Control drawing - OEM list governs.	Yes	Usually yes (but controlled)	Only if OEM lists SOS	Register as authorized distributor.		
AMSC C	Engineering source approval required for quality reasons.	Yes	Limited	No (until SAR)	Common on safety-critical parts.		
AMSC D	Data physically unavailable.	Yes	No	No	Only path: develop reverse-engineering SAR.		
AMSC G	Gov't owns complete data with unlimited rights.	No	Yes (full)	Yes	Ideal for small-biz entry.		
AMSC H	Gov't lacks legible/complete data.	Yes	Poor	Unlikely	Wait for re-engineering effort by DoD.		
AMSC P	Gov't doesn't own data rights & cannot buy them.	Yes	No No	No	Only via teaming/license.		
AMSC R	Gov't doesn't own data; uneconomical to buy.	Yes	No	No (unless OEM deal)	Similar to P but driven by cost.		
AMSCT	Item controlled by a QPL/QML.	No (if QPL source)	Yes	Only if on QPL	Become an approved QPL distributor.		
AMSC Z	Commercial off-the-shelf (COTS).	No	Commercial data	Yes	Competes like any commercial part.		
1G	AMC 1 + AMSC G -> fully open competition with complete data.	No	Yes	Yes	Bread-and-butter competitive buys.		
1R	AMC 1 + AMSC R → competition allowed but bidders must secure OEM data/license.	Maybe	No	Yes if SOS can supply OEM-traceable parts.	Cite OEM license or resale agreement in quote.		
2G	AMC 2 + AMSC G → first-time competition, full data.	No	Yes	Yes	Watch for learning-curve pricing risk.		
3B	AMC 3 + AMSC B → OEM or listed sources only.	Yes	Controlled	Only via OEM listing	Push OEM distribution agreement.		
3P	AMC3 + AMSC P → OEM only; data locked.	Yes	No	No	Teamed bids only.		

- Quick Rules of Thumb

 1. If the letter is G or 2: bid freely; data is open or item is COTS.

 2. If the number is 1 or 2 but the letter isn TGC'; you can still bid, but check whether data rights or QPL status impose extra hoops.

 3. Any 1346' manner or PRDV letter: casemed SAR or tearing with the COM is mandatory.

 4. Source Approval Route: Typical timeline is 6-18 months, requires sample part, engitest data, and past-performance package. Low-ROI for one-off buys unless volume is