

Quick Reference	
Code	Can SOS Bid?
AMC 1	Yes
AMC 2	Yes
AMC 3	Not until SAR approved
AMC 4	No (unless teaming with OEM)
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)
AMSC T	Only if an QPL
AMSC Z	Yes
1G	Yes
1R	Yes if SOS can supply OEM-traceable parts.
2G	Yes
3B	Only via OEM listing
3P	No

Reference Explanation				
Code	Description (Plain English)	SAR Required?	Gov't Tech-Data Package (TDP)	Can SOS Bid?
AMC 1	Fully competitive – data is in-hand and proven; item has already competed at least once.	No	Yes	Yes
AMC 2	Competitive for the first buy once data released.	No	Yes (or released with RFP)	Yes
AMC 3	Limited data – must buy from OEM unless an alternate wins Source Approval.	Yes	Partial or none	Not until SAR approved
AMC 4	Sole-source (unique design / IP).	Yes (hard)	No	No (unless teaming with OEM)
AMC 5	Prime-contractor only (no usable data despite sub-tier info).	Yes (nearly impossible)	No	No
AMSC A	Gov't unsure of data rights (under review).	Maybe	Questionable	Possibly (case-by-case)
AMSC B	Item on Source-Control drawing – OEM list governs.	Yes	Usually yes (but controlled)	Only if OEM lists SOS
AMSC C	Engineering source approval required for quality reasons.	Yes	Limited	No (until SAR)
AMSC D	Data physically unavailable.	Yes	No	No
AMSC G	Gov't owns complete data with unlimited rights.	No	Yes (full)	Yes
AMSC H	Gov't lacks legible/complete data.	Yes	Poor	Unlikely
AMSC P	Gov't doesn't own data rights & cannot buy them.	Yes	No	No
AMSC R	Gov't doesn't own data, uneconomical to buy.	Yes	No	No (unless OEM deal)
AMSC T	Item controlled by a QPL/QPL	No (if QPL source)	Yes	Only if on QPL
AMSC Z	Commercial off-the-shelf (COTS).	No	Commercial data	Yes
1G	AMC 1 + AMSC G = fully open competition with complete data.	No	Yes	Yes
1R	AMC 1 + AMSC R = competition allowed but bidders must secure OEM data/license.	Maybe	No	Yes if SOS can supply OEM-traceable parts.
2G	AMC 2 + AMSC G = first-time competition, full data.	No	Yes	Yes
3B	AMC 3 + AMSC B = OEM or listed sources only.	Yes	Controlled	Only via OEM listing
3P	AMC 3 + AMSC P = OEM only; data locked.	Yes	No	No

Quick Rules of Thumb

1. If the letter is G or Z: bid freely; data is open or item is COTS.
2. If the number is 1 or 2 but the letter isn't G/Z: you can still bid, but check whether data rights or QPL status impose extra hoops.
3. Any '3/4/5' number or 'PRVD' letter: assume SAR or teaming with the OEM is mandatory.
4. Source Approval Route: Typical timeline is 6-18 months, requires sample part, engtest data, and past-performance package. Low-ROI for one-off buys unless volume justifies.