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This Federal guidance and reference catalog was developed by the C-19 WG in response to a recommendation stemming from COVID-19-related industry calls held by the Maritime Administration. The Federal guidance catalog is one of several CMTS actions in an aggressive work plan to respond to several challenges related to the pandemic. The catalog summarizes guidance and resources related to COVID-19 by Federal agency or initiative.

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93. [OSHA3990 Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19 (March 9, 2020)](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf)
    (https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf)
94. [OSHA4045 Guidance on Returning to Work (June 17, 2020)](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA4045.pdf)
    (https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA4045.pdf)
95. [Seven Steps to Correctly Wear a Respirator at Work (Poster, May 5, 2020)]
96. [Ten Steps All Workplaces Can Take to Reduce Risk of Exposure to Coronavirus (Poster, April 6, 2020)](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3994.pdf)
    (https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3994.pdf)

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

97. [List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2](https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2)
    (https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

98. [COVID-19 Business and Infrastructure Partners Call Series]

A business and infrastructure partners call series concerning COVID-19 and vaccine distribution, hosted by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA) Emergency Support Function #14 Cross-sector Business and Infrastructure. The teleconference will include an overview of the situation, updates from available Federal and Private Sector partners, and an open forum for questions and information sharing. These calls will occur every Thursday until further notice, starting on Thursday, January 28th, utilizing the same conference number and PIN.
Date: Thursdays, until further notice.
Time: 3:00 pm Eastern
Dial-In #: 1-800-619-3427
Passcode/PIN: 2725748
The conference line will open 10 minutes prior to the call.
Business and infrastructure partners are also invited to access the FEMA NBEOC dashboard via the following link: (https://fema.connectsolutions.com/nbeoc)

99. Federal Funding to Accelerate State Vaccine Efforts (https://www.fema.gov/press-release/20210127/fema-supports-vaccine-distribution-covid-19-response-update)

100. FEMA Learn More: (https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus)

101. COVID-19 PPE Best Practices, April 20, 2020 (https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1586794893029-14d1a5fec5833fd2420191193545cf6a/PreservingPersonalProtectiveEquipment.pdf)

102. FEMA Administrator April 15, 2020, letter to Emergency Managers. (https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/04/15/fema-administrator-april-15-2020-letter-emergency-managers)

103. COVID-19 Pandemic Operational Guidance for the 2020 Hurricane Season. (https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/188203)

104. To get ground truth on rumors and facts please visit the FEMA Rumor Control page. (https://www.fema.gov/coronavirus-rumor-control)

105. FEMA's guidance on addressing the shortage of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in Non-Healthcare setting. (https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/04/22/coronavirus-covid-19-pandemic-addressing-ppe-needs-non-healthcare-setting)

106. FEMA and CISA are responsible for coordinating Emergency Support Function (ESF) efforts. ESFs assist in coordinating federal interagency support for a federal response to an incident – in this case, to COVID-19. ESF #14 (Cross Sector Business and Infrastructure) was established to engage private sector and infrastructure owners and operators to help find and close gaps. It complements Sector-Specific Agencies (SSA) and other ESFs and is a mechanism for entities not aligned to an ESF or have other means of coordination to bring forward current issues and work toward solutions. For more information, email ESF14@cisa.dhs.gov. (https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/national-preparedness/frameworks/response)

Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

107. OMB Memo M-20-17, Administrative Relief for Recipients and Applicants of Federal Financial Assistance Directly Impacted by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) due to Loss of Operations, (Issued March 19, 2020)
(https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/M-20-17.pdf)
108. OMB Memo M-20-18, Memo Managing Federal Contract Performance Issues Associated with the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), (Issued March 20, 2020)
(https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/M-20-18.pdf)
109. Update to Guidance on Application of National Interest Action (NIA) Code to Increase Transparency, (Issued April 6, 2020)
(https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/Update-to-Guidance-on-Application-of-NIA-Code-to-Increase-Transparency-April-6-2020.pdf)
110. OMB Memo M-20-19, Harnessing Technology to Support Mission Continuity, (Issued March 22, 2020)
(https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/M-20-19.pdf)
111. OMB Memo M-20-20, Implementation Guidance for Supplemental Funding Provided in Response to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), (Issued April 10, 2020)
(https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Implementation-Guidance-for-Supplemental-Funding-Provided-in-Response.pdf)
112. OMB Memo M-20-23, Aligning Federal Agency Operations with the National Guidelines for Opening Up America Again, (Issued 20, 2020)
(https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/M-20-23.pdf)

Paid Leave for Contract Employees - Section 3610 Implementation

Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

113. OMB Memo M-20-22, Preserving the Resilience of the Federal Contracting Base in the Fight Against the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), (Issued April 17, 2020)
(https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/M-20-22.pdf)

Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI)
114. IC Guiding Principles for the IC Acquisition & Procurement Community on Implementation of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
(https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/IC-Guiding-Principles-for-ACQ-and-PROC-Implementing-CARES-ACT.pdf)

Department of Defense (DOD)

115. [Implementation Guidance for Section 3610 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act](#)

     (https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/policy/policyvault/Implementation_Guidance_CARES_3610_DPC.pdf)

General Services Administration (GSA)

116. CD-2020-12, [Guidance to implement Section 3610 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) (Pub. L. 116-136) (See Attachment A) regarding paid leave reimbursement authority to contractors for Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)](#), (Issued April 21, 2020)
     (https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/CD-2020-12.pdf)

Resources for State and Local Governments

Department of Homeland Security Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

117. [COVID-19 Disinformation Toolkit](#) helps State, local, tribal and territorial (SLTT) officials bring awareness to misinformation, disinformation, and conspiracy theories appearing online related to COVID-19's origin, scale, government response, prevention and treatment. (https://www.cisa.gov/covid-19-disinformation-toolkit)

General Services Administration (GSA)

118. Information on the GSA Disaster Program: [https://www.gsa.gov/buying-selling/purchasing-programs/gsa-schedules/schedule-buyers/state-and-local-governments/state-and-local-disaster-purchasing](#)
     (https://www.gsa.gov/buying-selling/purchasing-programs/gsa-schedules/schedule-buyers/state-and-local-governments/state-and-local-disaster-purchasing)

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

119. [Presidential Declaration of National Emergency COVID-19 - State and Local Governments Authorized to Order Using VA Federal Supply Schedules](#), (Issued April 10, 2020)
     (https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/COVID-19-Authorization-for-State-and-Local-Governments-to-Utilize-VA-FSS-Medical-Supply-Chain-Contracts.pdf)

Department of Defense (DOD)

120. [COVID-19 Guidance and Memorandums](#)
     (https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pacc/cc/COVID-19.html)

121. U.S. Navy COVID-19 Updates
      (https://www.navy.mil/US-Navy-COVID-19-Updates)

Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

122. Establishing the COVID-19 Procurement & Acquisition Innovation Response (PAIR)
      Team (April 1, 2020)
      (https://www.dhs.gov/blog/2020/04/01/covid-19-procurement-acquisition-innovation-
      response-pair-team)
123. Screening Process for Access to DHS Facilities or Work Spaces due to COVID-19 (March
      25, 2020)
      (https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/publications/screening_process_for_access_to_dhs_
      facilities_due_to_covid-19.pdf)
124. Letter to DHS Contractors, (Issued March 5, 2020)
      (https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/Letter_to_DHS_Contract
      ors_regarding_COVID-19.pdf)

Department of Justice (DOJ)

125. Memorandum from the Attorney General to All United States Attorneys, March 20, 2020 -
      This memorandum provides guidance to US Attorneys regarding movement of federal
      employees and other PIV/CAC card holders with respect to state and local limitations. The
      transmittal memorandum that accompanied this letter to the US Attorneys clarified the
      following: *Please note that this guidance applies with equal force to Department of Defense
      employees who carry CAC (common access card) cards as well as to contract employees
      who carry PIV or CAC cards.*
      (https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/Memorandum-from-the-
      Attorney-General-to-All-United-States-Attorneys-3_20_2020.pdf)
126. Memorandum from the Attorney General to All United States Attorneys, April 8, 2020 -
      This memorandum supplements the March 20, 2020 memorandum with specific information
      about federal contractor employees.
      (https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/AG-Memo-to-all-USAs-
      040820.pdf)

General Services Administration (GSA)

127. SPE-2020-06, Preparing for Potential Acquisition Performance Impacts Due to Novel
      Coronavirus (COVID-19)(Issued March 12, 2020)
      (https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/SPE-2020-06.pdf)
128. SPE-2020-07, Emergency Acquisition Flexibilities for Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019
      (COVID-19) (Updated June 25, 2020)
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      new.pdf)

129. SPE-2020-08, [Guidance Regarding Acquisitions and Contracts for GSA Essential Critical Infrastructure Activities and Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)](https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/SPE-2020-08-Updated.pdf), (Issued March 26, 2020)
(https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/SPE-2020-08-Updated.pdf)

130. SPE-2020-11, [Class Determination and Findings (D&F) for Exception for Non-availability for Trade Agreements and Buy American Statute Clauses](https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/SPE-2020-11-w-suppl-1-new.pdf), (Updated June 25, 2020)
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(https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/MV-20-07-w-Suppl-1.pdf)

132. CD-2020-05, [FAR and GSAR Class Deviation - Flexibilities for Signatures and Seals on Bonds](https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/CD-2020-05_0.pdf) (Issued April 6, 2020)
(https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/CD-2020-05_0.pdf)

133. CD-2020-06,[FAR and GSAR Class Deviation - Congressional Notification of Noncompetitive Procurement Determination in Response to a Public Health Emergency](https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/CD-2020-06_0.pdf) (Issued April 8, 2020).
(https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/CD-2020-06_0.pdf)

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(https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/CD-2020-07-S-D-Meetings.pdf)

135. CD-2020-08, [FAR Class Deviation - Accelerated Payments to Small Business Contractors and Subcontractors](https://www.acquisition.gov/sites/default/files/page_file_uploads/CD-2020-08_0.pdf) (Issued April 10, 2020)
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Visit https://www.gsaig.gov/content/about-hotline to submit reports of fraud, waste, and abuse.

Small Business Administration (SBA)

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U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

143. Guidance for Implementing Partners (https://www.usaid.gov/work-usaid/resources-for-partners/covid-19-guidance-implementing-partners)

Federal Government Contract Awards in Support of COVID-19

144. Summary data by agency and detailed information on contracts awarded in support of COVID-19 can be found in a standard FPDS report posted publicly twice per week at: https://www.fpds.gov/fpdsng_cms/index.php/en/ in the right hand corner under "Top Requests" - "COVID-19 Report" (please note the DoD awards are delayed by 90 days).

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