

Suspension & Debarment



What is Suspension & Debarment?

Suspension & Debarment protects the Federal government from fraud, waste and abuse by using a number of tools to avoid doing business with non-responsible contractors, including Suspensions, Proposals for Debarment, Debarments, Show Cause Letters, and Requests for Information.

What to do if you receive a letter from the Suspension & Debarment Official (SDO)?

Contractors receiving a Suspension or Debarment letter have an opportunity to respond before the SDO makes a final decision. If the contractor chooses to respond, its focus should be on its present responsibility to contract with the Federal Government. The contractor may also request to meet with the SDO to discuss its present responsibility in person.

What is the effect of

Suspension and Debarment?

Your name will be published as ineligible on the System for Award Management (www.sam.gov).

Offers will not be solicited from, contracts will not be awarded to, existing contracts will not be renewed or otherwise extended for, and sub-contracts requiring Government approval will not be approved for you by any agency in the Executive Branch of the Federal government.

You may not conduct business with the Federal government as an agent or representative of other contractors or of participants in Federal assistance programs, nor may you act as an individual surety to other Government contractors.

For more information, please visit gsa.gov/debarment