246.103 Contracting office responsibilities.

(1) The contracting office must coordinate with the quality assurance activity before changing any quality requirement.
(2) The activity responsible for technical requirements may prepare instructions covering the type and extent of Government inspections for acquisitions that are complex, have critical applications, or have unusual requirements. Follow the procedures at PGI 246.103(2) for preparation of instructions.

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Subpart 246.2—Contract Quality Requirements

246.202 Types of contract quality requirements.

246.202–4 Higher-level contract quality requirements.

(1) Higher-level contract quality requirements are used in addition to a standard inspection requirement.
(2) Higher-level contract quality requirements, including nongovernment quality system standards adopted to meet DoD needs, are listed in the DoD Index of Specifications and Standards.

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Subpart 246.3—Contract Clauses

246.370 Material inspection and receiving report.

(a) Use the clause at 252.246–7000, Material Inspection and Receiving Report, in solicitations and contracts when there will be separate and distinct deliverables, even if the deliverables are not separately priced.
(b) When contract administration is retained by the contracting office, the clause at 252.246–7000, Material Inspection and Receiving Report, is not required for—
   (1) Contracts awarded using simplified acquisition procedures;
   (2) Negotiated subsistence contracts;
   (3) Contracts for fresh milk and related fresh dairy products;
   (4) Contracts for which the deliverable is a scientific or technical report;
   (5) Research and development contracts not requiring the delivery of separately priced end items;
   (6) Base, post, camp, or station contracts;
   (7) Contracts in overseas areas when the preparation and distribution of the DD Form 250, Material Inspection and Receiving Report, by the contractor would not be practicable. In these cases, arrange for the contractor to provide the information necessary for the contracting office to prepare the DD Form 250;
   (8) Contracts for services when hardware is not acquired as an item in the contract; and
   (9) Indefinite delivery type contracts placed by central contracting offices which authorize only base, post, camp, or station activities to issue orders.


246.371 Notification of potential safety issues.

(a) Use the clause at 252.246–7003, Notification of Potential Safety Issues, in solicitations and contracts for the acquisition of—
   (1) Repairable or consumable parts identified as critical safety items;
   (2) Systems and subsystems, assemblies, and subassemblies integral to a system; or
   (3) Repair, maintenance, logistics support, or overhaul services for systems and subsystems, assemblies, subassemblies, and parts integral to a system.
(b) Follow the procedures at PGI 246.371 for the handling of notifications received under the clause at 252.246–7003.

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Subpart 246.4—Government Contract Quality Assurance

246.401 General.

The requirement for a quality assurance surveillance plan shall be addressed and documented in the contract file for each contract except for those awarded using simplified acquisition procedures. For contracts for services, the contracting officer should prepare a quality assurance surveillance plan.