§ 101–26.508 Electronic data processing (EDP) tape and instrumentation tape (wide and intermediate band).

Procurement by Federal agencies of EDP tape and instrumentation tape (wide and intermediate band) shall be accomplished in accordance with the provisions of this §101–26.508.

§ 101–26.508–1 Requisitioning data processing tape available through Federal Supply Schedule contracts.

Federal Supply Schedules, FSC group 70, part XI, and FSC group 58, part V, section C, include contracts to satisfy Government requirements for those types of EDP tape and instrumentation tape (wide and intermediate band) which are most widely used. Federal agencies located within the 48 contiguous United States, Washington, DC and Hawaii (applicable to EDP tape only for Hawaii) shall procure these tapes in accordance with the provisions of the current schedules and this §101–26.508–1. Orders not exceeding the maximum order limitations of the Federal Supply Schedules and prepared directly by activities located outside the geographical areas referenced above shall, to the extent possible, be consolidated and submitted in FEDSTRIP format to the GSA regional office supporting the geographic area in which the requisitioner is located.


(a) Requisitions for types of EDP tape and instrumentation tape (wide and intermediate band) covered by Federal Supply Schedule contracts which exceed the maximum order limitations of the schedule shall be submitted to the GSA regional office supporting the geographic area in which the requisitioner is located.

(b) Requisitions for all types of EDP tape and instrumentation tape (wide and intermediate band) not covered by Federal Supply Schedule contracts shall be submitted to GSA for purchase action when the dollar value of the requisitions exceeds, or is estimated to exceed, $2,500 for EDP tape and $5,000 for instrumentation tape. However, regardless of the amount involved (including requisitions estimated to be less than the dollar limitations referenced above), purchase action shall not be taken by GSA or an agency unless a waiver of the requirement for using items of tape available from Federal Supply Schedule contracts has been furnished in accordance with §101–26.100–2.

Requests for waivers shall be submitted to the Commissioner, Federal Supply Service (F), General Services Administration, Washington, DC 20406. The requests shall fully describe the type of tape required and state the reasons Federal Supply Schedule items will not adequately serve the agency’s needs. GSA will notify the requesting agency in writing of the action taken on the requests. To reduce leadtime, requisitions may be submitted in FEDSTRIP format with the requests for waivers. Requisitions for which a waiver has first been obtained shall be submitted with a copy of the waiver to the GSA regional office supporting the geographic area in which the requisitioner is located. GSA will either arrange for procurement of the items or authorize the requesting agency to procure them.

(c) When establishing required delivery dates in purchase requests submitted in accordance with this §101–26.508–2, agencies should normally allow 105 days leadtime, inspection and testing of the tape requires approximately 15 days.

(d) When an agency submitting a purchase request in accordance with this §101–26.508–2 has a need for scheduled deliveries, minimum or maximum order quantities, or other special arrangements, GSA will develop specific provisions to accommodate the needs.