§ 301–73.101 How must we prepare to implement ETS?
You must prepare to implement ETS as expeditiously as possible by—
(a) Developing a migration plan and schedule to deploy ETS across your agency as early as possible with full deployment required no later than September 30, 2006;
(b) Requiring employees to use your ETS unless you approve an exception under § 301–50.6, § 301–73.102 or § 301–73.104;
(c) Establishing goals, plans, and procedures to maximize agency-wide traveler use of your online self-service booking tool once you have fully deployed ETS within your agency. These goals, plans, and procedures should be available for submission to the ETS PMO upon its request.

Note 1 to § 301–73.101: Your agency should work with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to allocate budget and personnel resources to support ETS migration and data exchange. Your agency is responsible for providing the funds required to establish interfaces between the ETS standard data output and applicable business systems (e.g., financial, human resources, etc.).

§ 301–73.102 May we grant a traveler an exception from required use of TMS or ETS once we have fully deployed ETS within the agency?
(a) Yes, your agency head or his/her designee may grant an individual case by case exception to required use of your agency’s current TMS or to required use of ETS once it is fully deployed within the agency, but only when travel meets one of the following conditions:
(1) Such use would result in an unreasonable burden on mission accomplishment (e.g., emergency travel is involved and TMS/ETS is not accessible; the traveler is performing invitational travel; or the traveler has special needs or requires disability accommodations in accordance with part 301–13 of this chapter).
(2) Such use would compromise a national security interest.
(3) Such use might endanger the traveler’s life (e.g., the individual is traveling under the Federal witness protection program, or is a threatened law enforcement/investigative officer traveling under part 301–31 of this chapter).
(b) Any exception granted must be consistent with any contractual terms applicable to your current TMS or ETS, once it is fully deployed, and must not cause a breach of contract terms.

Note 2 to § 301–73.101: Best practices show that organizations are able to realize significant benefits once they achieve a 70 percent or greater self-booking rate.

§ 301–73.103 What must we do when we approve an exception to the use of the E-Gov Travel Service?
The head of your agency or his/her designee must approve an exception to the use of the ETS under § 301–73.102 in writing or through electronic means.

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