

9.302 General.

First article testing and approval (hereafter referred to as *testing and approval*) ensures that the contractor can furnish a product that conforms to all contract requirements for acceptance. Before requiring *testing and approval*, the *contracting officer shall* consider the-

- (a) Impact on cost or time of delivery;
- (b) Risk to the Government of foregoing such test; and
- (c) Availability of other, less costly, methods of ensuring the desired quality.

Parent topic: Subpart 9.3 - First Article Testing and Approval