

Subpart 208.74 - ENTERPRISE SOFTWARE AGREEMENTS

Parent topic: [Part 208 - REQUIRED SOURCES OF SUPPLIES AND SERVICES](#)

208.7400 Scope of subpart.

This subpart prescribes policy and procedures for acquisition of commercial software and software maintenance, including software and software maintenance that is acquired—

- (a) As part of a system or system upgrade, where practicable;
- (b) Under a service contract;
- (c) Under a contract or agreement administered by another agency (e.g., under an interagency agreement);
- (d) Under a Federal Supply Schedule contract or blanket purchase agreement established in accordance with FAR 8.405; or
- (e) By a contractor that is authorized to order from a Government supply source pursuant to FAR 51.101.

208.7401 Definitions.

As used in this subpart—

“Enterprise software agreement” means an agreement or a contract that is used to acquire designated commercial software or related commercial software services such as software maintenance.

“Enterprise Software Initiative” means an initiative led by the DoD Chief Information Officer to develop processes for DoD-wide software asset management.

“Software maintenance” means services normally provided by a software company as standard services at established catalog or market prices, e.g., the right to receive and use upgraded versions of software, updates, and revisions.

208.7402 General.

- (a) Departments and agencies shall fulfill requirements for commercial software and commercial software services, such as software maintenance, in accordance with the DoD Enterprise Software Initiative (ESI) (see <https://www.esi.mil/>). ESI promotes the use of enterprise software agreements (ESAs) with contractors that allow DoD to obtain favorable terms and pricing for commercial software and commercial software services. ESI does not dictate the products or services to be

acquired.

(b) Include an evaluation factor regarding supply chain risk (see subpart 239.73) when acquiring information technology, whether as a service or as a supply, that is a covered system, is a part of a covered system, or is in support of a covered system, as defined in [239.7301](#) .

208.7403 Acquisition procedures.

Follow the procedures at PGI [208.7403](#) when acquiring commercial software and related services.