

Acquisition Method Code & Acquisition Method Suffix Code Definitions

AMC ~

A one-position numeric code indicating the contracting decision governing procurement of an item as competitive or non competitive in accordance with criteria established in DLAM 4130.3, DLAH 4130.1 and DLAD Appendix E.

Blank	Items screened are to satisfy an MIPR or part numbered requirement.
1	Items screened and found to be already competitive.
2	Items screened and determined for the first time to be suitable for competitive purchase. A replenishment item will be included in this group only when the identification as AMC 2 is supported by the contracting history of the item. Alternative identification is AMC 1.
3	Items screened and found to be procured from the actual manufacturer or vendor, including a prime contractor who is the actual manufacturer.
4	Items screened and determined for the first time to be suitable for direct purchase from the actual manufacturer or vendor rather than the original prime contractor for the end items which these parts support. A replenishment item will be included in this group only when the identification as AMC 4 is supported by the contracting history record of the item. Alternative identification is AMC 3.
5	Items screened and determined not suitable for competitive or direct purchase and which, therefore continue to be procured from a prime contractor who is not the actual manufacturer.

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A one-position alpha code that indicates the reason why the acquisition method code was assigned and reflects the type of technical data that applies to the item.

0	Not established
A	Governments' rights in data questionable.
B	Source control
C	Contracting from approved source
D	Data to produce is not physically available
E	<i>Reserved</i>
F	<i>Reserved</i>
G	Data is technically suitable and legally clear
H	Inadequate data
J	<i>Reserved</i>
K	Produced from class 1A castings
L	Low dollar value of contracting
M	Master of coordinated tooling
N	Requires special test
P	Rights to use data legally unavailable
R	Rights to use data restricted
S	Restricted to limited sources because of security
T	Qualified Products List (OPL)
U	This item is uneconomical
V	High reliability part
W	<i>Reserved</i>
Y	Design unstable
Z	Commercial/Non-Developmental/Off-the-Shelf-Items