

## System for Award Management (SAM) Helpful Information

<https://www.sam.gov/SAM/>

Federal regulations require vendors to be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) in order to receive awards and payments on federal contracts. (FAR 52.204-7). SAM is a composite procurement system that replaces several government legacy systems, including the Central Contractor Registry (CCR) and serves as a common source of vendor data for government agencies. Registration in SAM is free, and extensive help files are available on the site to assist you with the registration process. SAM registration provides your company the added benefit of being visible to federal, state, and local agencies, as well as other contractors, searching for the products and services your company has to offer.

SAM is maintained by the General Services Administration, but personalized assistance with registration and other government procurement related matters is available through the nationwide network of Procurement Technical Assistance Centers or “PTACs”. To find the PTAC office nearest you, visit the national PTAC website at <http://www.aptac-us.org>. You can also find a listing of PTAC offices by state on the Defense Logistics Agency small business website at the following URL: <http://www.dla.mil/smallbusiness/pages/ptap.aspx>.

In Alaska, contact the Alaska Procurement Technical Assistance Center via their website at <http://www.ptacalaska.org>, or by calling (907) 274-7232 in Anchorage, or via their statewide toll-free number at 1(800) 478-7232. Alaska PTAC staff will assist you with your SAM registration and can answer any other questions you have regarding federal, state, or local procurement opportunities and requirements.

Vendors registered in SAM:

Please provide your business name, Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS®) number, Tax ID, and DoD issued CAGE code to enable us to pull your information for our records.

Vendors NOT registered in SAM:

You will first need to obtain a DUNS® number from Dun & Bradstreet (DnB) before registering. A DUNS® number is required for SAM registration and is free for vendors pursuing federal contracts. You can apply for a DUNS® number online through the DnB website at <http://www.dnb.com>; or by using the webform located at <https://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>

Issuance and activation of a DUNS® number is usually completed within 24 hours. If you need assistance with obtaining a DUNS® number, please contact your local PTAC office.