**Lockheed Martin Missiles & Fire Control (LMMFC) Special Process Frequently Asked Questions**

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**Q: What is the definition of "special processes"?**

**A:** A documented method used to manufacture products where:

* When a product undergoes a physical, chemical or metallurgical transformation or inspection, conformance to the specification cannot be readily verified by normal inspection methods, and
* The quality of the product depends on use of specific equipment operated in a specific manner, under controlled conditions, by trained personnel with instructions, procedures and standards.

**Q: As a supplier, how do we know if we are considered a “MFC Special Process supplier”?**

**A:** You will need to review the LMMFC product you provide and determine if those specifications include any special processing and check each PO for any special process Quality PO notes. Refer to the LM Procure to Pay (P2P) internet portal for approvals. For a reference of MFC Lockheed Martin Approval Codes please visit the Approval Code (LMAC) Sheet within the MFC Procurement website. 

**Q: As a supplier, how do we know which Nadcap Special Process(es) are not accepted by LMMFC?**

**A:** Special Processes that fall under the welding, brazing, additive manufacturing commodities and those special processes that are defined by unique LMMFC controlled specifications are exempt from accepting Nadcap and shall be approved in the Buyers, Procure to Pay (P2P) internet portal, including those provided by sub-tier special process suppliers. For a reference visit the Nadcap Special Process Translation Sheet within the MFC Procurement website.

**Q: Will Lockheed Martin maintain/modify P2P to reflect current Nadcap approvals for suppliers to support the P2P barcode process?**

**A:** No, LMMFC will utilize Nadcap’s eAuditNet.com database to validate scope and accreditation status.

**Q:** **Does LMMFC require suppliers to gain Nadcap accreditation for *general inspection* if they are already certified to ISO 9001 and/or AS9100?**

**A:** If a supplier is 3rd party certified to ISO 9001 and/or AS9100 recognized by IAF, Nadcap accreditation for General Inspection under the Measurement and Inspection Nadcap Commodity is not required at this time.

**Q: Will Suppliers be required to pick a LMMFC approved (or Nadcap approved) vendor (when applicable) when we ship in P2P?**

**A:** In the Exostar Ship To module, the supplier will need to select an LMMFC approved supplier for the when a special process text key is called out on the purchase order line item.

Example of special process text key: CHXA554101

For MFC-SA, MFC-SB, MFC-SU, MFC-SW special process Quality PO notes, reference MFC Quality PO Note Cross-Reference Matrix.

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Should you have any additional questions, please send them to the Buyer's Procurement Representative.