

5601.602 Contracting Officers.

(Revised November 2018)

- (a) Based upon the authority of the USSOCOM Head of Agency Contracting Authority, the DoP shall issue all contracting officer warrants for the command.
 - (1) Limited Warrants - Any limitations identified on the warrant are based on the individual contract action.
 - (2) HCD/FCO Chiefs ultimately, have responsibility to ensure that limited authorities are utilized appropriately to meet organizational needs and are in the best interest of the government
- (b) The office of the contracting officer must be organizationally situated to minimize any potential for undue influence and protect contracting officers from intra-organizational pressure to perform improper acts.
- (c) Personnel in other than the 1102 classification series are prohibited from being appointed or serving as Contracting Officers. This requirement is not waivable on either an individual or class basis.
- (d) Commanders and others having administrative supervision over contracting officers must bear in mind that actions exceeding the authority of a contracting officer are not binding on the Government. Therefore, they shall not direct, or otherwise exert influence, upon a contracting officer(s) to take such actions.

- [**5601.602-1 Authority.**](#)
- [**5601.602-2 Responsibilities.**](#)
- [**5601.602-2-90 Ordering Officers.**](#)
- [**5601.602-3 Ratification of Unauthorized Commitments. See DCG for required procedures.**](#)
- [**5601.602-3-90 Procedures. \(Removed November 2018\)**](#)

Parent topic: [Subpart 5601.6 - CAREER DEVELOPMENT, CONTRACTING AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES](#)