

819.7005 Contracting order of priority.

- (a) In determining the acquisition strategy applicable to a procurement requirement not otherwise covered under 808.002, the contracting officer shall observe the order of contracting preferences in 38 U.S.C. 8127(h).
- (b) Specifically, preferences for awarding contracts to small business concerns shall be applied in the following order of priority:
 - (1) Contracts awarded to small business concerns owned and controlled by Veterans with service-connected disabilities as provided in this subpart.
 - (2) Contracts to small business concerns owned and controlled by Veterans that are not covered by paragraph (b)(1) of this section as provided in this subpart.
 - (3) Contracts awarded pursuant to -
 - (i) Section 8(a) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(a) as provided in FAR subpart 19.8; or
 - (ii) Section 31 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657a) as provided in FAR subpart 19.13.
 - (4) Contracts awarded pursuant to any other small business set aside contracting preference, with due deference to the priority for awarding to women-owned small businesses as provided in FAR 19.203(b) through (e) and FAR subpart 19.15.

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