

12-2. Increased Thresholds and Acquisition Flexibilities for ETOs

a. For the EAFs to apply, ETOs require either (1) formal designation or declaration to have been made or (2) certain requirements to have been met. Policy on the use of EAFs can be found in the DPCAP memorandum, [“Emergency Acquisition Flexibilities – Special Emergency Procurement Authority and Head of the Contracting Activity Delegating Authority”](#) dated October 2, 2020, and the [Defense Contingency Contracting Handbook](#). For additional information about the types of operations considered ETOs, including the officials authorized to designate or declare them or make the determination, see FAR 2.101, DFARS 213.301, and DFARS 218.2.

b. The thresholds cited below will take effect when authorized by the cognizant HCA. It is important to note that DFARS 218.270 authorizes the HCA to make certain acquisition determinations on behalf of the Agency Head. Table 12-1 shows the increased MPTs in support of ETOs (excluding humanitarian and peacekeeping operations) (see DFARS PGI 213.201). Cardholders located inside the United States are prohibited from using the \$35,000 MPT unless specifically authorized by statute.

Table 12-1. GPC MPT Values for ETOs (excluding Humanitarian and Peacekeeping Operations)

Supplies

Government Purchaser's Physical Location	Authorized MPT
Inside United States	\$20,000
Outside United States	\$35,000

Services

Government Purchaser's Physical Location	Place of Performance	Authorized MPT
Inside United States	Inside or Outside United States	\$20,000
Outside United States	Inside United States	\$20,000
Outside United States	Outside United States	\$35,000

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