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MEMORANDUM FOR PROCLTR DISTRIBUTION LIST

SUBJECT: Revision to Defense Logistics Acquisition Directive (DLAD) 47.305-1(c)(90)  
Regarding European Union (EU) Restrictions Involving Non-Manufactured Wood  
Packaging (NMWP) and Pallets

This PROCLTR supercedes PROCLTR 01-15. Revised guidance at DLAD 47.305-1(c)(90) clarifies marking requirements that must be met when wooden pallets and containers are used to ship materiel to Europe. The revised guidance also adds additional Defense Transportation System (DTS) entry points where these procedures apply. As stated in PROCLTR 01-15, these requirements are a result of the Commission of the European Communities (CEC) Emergency Measure that became effective October 1, 2001.

The attached DLAD guidance provides additional marking clarification for use in solicitations and awards where wooden pallets and containers may be used to ship materiel to U.S. forces and to Foreign Military Sales customers in Europe via freight forwarders. In addition to the DTS entry points previously identified in DLAD 47.305-1(c)(90), this guidance also applies to the Army Prepositioned Ship (APS 3) Upload Site in Charleston, SC (DODAAC: W81X89 and W81YUK), and the Marine Corps Blount Island Command in Jacksonville, FL 32226-3404. Solicitations and contracts must be amended or modified to reflect this requirement.


In the future, minor technical revisions to wood packaging and palletization guidance will be disseminated by posting on the Non-Manufactured Wood Packaging Material (NMWPM) web page, which can be accessed at <http://www.dsc.dla.mil/Offices/Packaging/NMWPMnotice.html>. J-3311 will provide notice to the PROCLTR DISTRIBUTION LIST when such changes are made. The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) contracting activities will be directed to obtain the new requirements from the web page, and to ensure the requirements are appropriately reflected in solicitations and awards. The DLAD guidance at 47.305-1(c)(90) will also be revised to reflect such changes. PROCLTRs will not be issued to implement minor technical and administrative revisions to this guidance in the future, unless the revision is determined to constitute a policy change.

To publicize the new dissemination policy, DLA activities will publish the following notice in FedBizOps and Procurement Gateway. The notice should be published indefinitely, until the NMWPM requirements have become a standard process and the EU restrictions have been finalized. The packaging guidelines are expected to continue to evolve until at least June 2003.



“Future Non-Manufactured Wood Packaging Material (NMWPM) requirements, interim revisions, and changes to DLAD 47.305-1(c)(90) regarding European Union (EU) restrictions involving NMWPM and pallets will be disseminated by posting on the DLA Packaging web site’s NMWPM web page: [www.dsc.dla.mil/Offices/Packaging/NMWPMnotice.html](http://www.dsc.dla.mil/Offices/Packaging/NMWPMnotice.html). DLA organizations and contractors are instructed to review this web page for the latest revisions, illustrations, and guidance related to all DLA contractual packaging requirements for shipments to the cited locations (requiring NMWPM). Note that information on this website provides clarification and illustrations, but does not replace or supersede the terms and conditions that appear in solicitations and awards to invoke any applicable wood packaging and palletization requirements. Questions regarding changes in NMWPM requirements can be directed to: [dlapackaging@hq.dla.mil](mailto:dlapackaging@hq.dla.mil).”

This PROCLTR is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until incorporated into the DLAD 4105.1. The point of contact for this PROCLTR is Mr. Joe Maloney (J-3732) at (703) 767-3673, DSN 427-3673, or e-mail: [joe\\_maloney@hq.dla.mil](mailto:joe_maloney@hq.dla.mil).

  
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PART 47

TRANSPORTATION

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SUBPART 47.3 TRANSPORTATION IN SUPPLY CONTRACTS

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47.305-1 Solicitation requirements.

(c)(90) Compliance with European Union (EU) Restrictions Involving Non-Manufactured Wood Packaging (NMWP) and Pallets

The following requirement must be included in all solicitations and awards where wooden pallets and containers may be used to ship materiel to U.S. forces and for Foreign Military Sales customers in Europe, in order to comply with the Emergency Measure adopted by the Commission of the European Communities (CEC) that became effective on October 1, 2001. Membership in the CEC includes Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Ireland, The Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom. This requirement includes all shipments moving through the Container Consolidation Points at the Defense Distribution Depots in Susquehanna, PA and San Joaquin, CA, the Container Freight Station in Norfolk, VA, **the Army Prepositioned Ship (APS 3) Upload Site in Charleston, SC (DODAAC: W81X89 and W81YUK), the Marine Corps Blount Island Command in Jacksonville, FL 32226-3404**, and the aerial ports of embarkation at Dover Air Force Base, DE; Travis Air Force Base, CA; Naval Air Station, Norfolk, VA; and Charleston Air Force Base, SC to the affected countries. **The Non-Manufactured Wood Packaging Material (NMWPM) web page contains the latest information on EU restrictions and related requirements, and is a valuable source of information. This web page can be accessed at <http://www.dscc.dla.mil/Offices/Packaging/NMWPMnotice.html>. When future changes of a minor technical or administrative nature are posted to this website, an e-mail will be sent to the PROCLTR Distribution List; and this DLAD coverage will be revised accordingly.**

The requirement may be added by incorporation into local palletization clauses, palletization sheets, packaging requirements, or the SAMMS/CTDF, as appropriate. At such time when the requirement is incorporated into MIL-STD-2073-1, its inclusion in local palletization clauses, packaging requirements, etc. will no longer be necessary for solicitations and awards that include MIL-STD-2073-1. Buying activities must continue to ensure this requirement is incorporated in solicitations and awards that do not include MIL-STD-2073-1 where wooden pallets and containers may be used to ship materiel to U.S. forces and Foreign Military Sales customers.

"All wooden pallets and wood containers produced entirely or in part of non-manufactured softwood species shall be constructed from Heat Treated (HT to 56 degrees Centigrade for 30 minutes) coniferous material and certified accordingly by an accredited agency recognized by the American Lumber **Standard Committee, Incorporated** (ALSC) in accordance with the latest revision of ALSC Non-manufactured Wood Packing Policy, and Non-manufactured Wood Packing Enforcement Regulations (**see URL: <http://www.alsc.org/>**.) All wooden pallets and containers produced entirely of non-manufactured hardwood species shall be identified by a permanent marking of "NC-US," 1.25 inches or greater in height, accompanied by the CAGE code of the **pallet/container** manufacturer and the month and year of the contract. On pallets, the marking shall be applied to the stringer or block on **diagonally** opposite sides of the pallet and be contrasting and clearly visible. On containers, the marking shall be applied on a side other than the top or bottom, contrasting and clearly visible."

47.305-3 F.O.B. origin solicitations. \* \* \*

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