

# Notice of Request for Comments on Barriers Facing Small Businesses in Contracting With the Department of Defense

The Office of Small Business Programs, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Industrial Policy), Department of Defense (DoD). Is requesting comments from small businesses. **Comments are due no later than 25 October 2021.**

The participation of dynamic, resilient, and innovative small businesses in the defense industrial base is critical to the United States' efforts to maintain its technological superiority, military readiness, and warfighting advantage. In furtherance of its efforts to maximize opportunities for small businesses to contribute to national security, the Department seeks public input on the barriers that small businesses face in working with the Department. This input will be used to update the Department's Small Business Strategy led by the DoD Office of Small Business Programs.

Specific details and instructions on submissions are at:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/09/08/2021-19352/notice-of-request-for-comments-on-barriers-facing-small-businesses-in-contracting-with-the>