

DoD Annual Security Refresher Briefing

Presented by the Specialty Systems, Inc. Corporate Security Office

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SSI's Obligation



SSI Headquarters

As a cleared defense contractor, SSI has an obligation under Executive Order (EO) 12829 and Department of Defense (DoD) Directives to provide its cleared employees with relevant security briefings.

These annual briefings are consistent with your work assignment and requirements established by the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM).

Expectations



At the conclusion of this briefing, you will complete a proficiency check that will test how well you understand the topics presented.

After passing the proficiency check, you will be able to print a certificate verifying completion of this annual briefing, and your understanding of your duties and responsibilities as a SSI employee who possesses a security clearance.

Objectives:

After you complete this lesson, you will be able to:

- Describe the obligations that SSI has to the U.S. Government in order to work with classified information.
- Identify the purpose of the DD Form 254 and security classification guide.



Prerequisites for access to Classified



The first requirement was SSI's execution of a Security Agreement with the Department of Defense. This legal agreement requires SSI to abide by current and future security directives issued by the DoD. By signing this agreement, SSI was authorized to work on classified contracts.

> The second requirement was the award of a contract that required access to U.S. Government classified information. It is the awarding of a classified contract that allows SSI and its employees access to classified information.

National Industrial Security Program (NISP)

Established by Executive Order 12829 on 6 January 1993, the NISP prescribes requirements, restrictions, and other safeguards that are necessary to prevent unauthorized disclosure of classified information.

> The "National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual" (NISPOM) was issued in accordance with the NISP and provides baseline standards for the protection of classified information released or disclosed to industry in connection with classified contracts under the NISP.

NISPOM Compliance

The Defense Security Service (DSS) has been designated by the DoD to provide oversight and ensure compliance with Security requirements in the NISPOM.

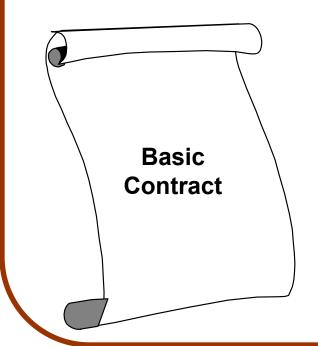
DSS conducts annual security reviews to evaluate SSI's ability to secure and protect U.S. Government classified material.



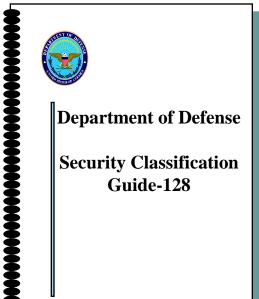
A marginal or unsatisfactory rating indicates a substandard security program. It may have detrimental consequences on SSI's ability to work on classified projects and could negatively affect its business. In addition, failure to properly comply with NISPOM requirements could adversely impact National Security.

Security Classification Guidance

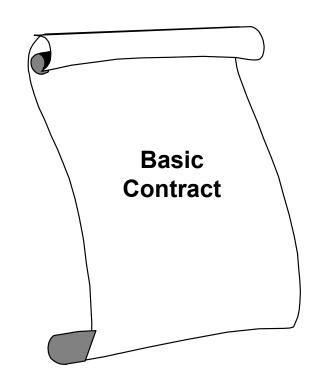
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The Basic Contract



- Identifies all clauses applicable to the contract, some of which may address security requirements.
- Mandates compliance with the NISPOM, if the contract is classified.
- Incorporates the DD Form 254 as part of the contract.
- Specifies other security requirements that may or may not be incorporated in other contract documentation.

DD Form 254 Contract Security Classification Specification

The DD Form 254 is issued with each contract that requires access to and/or generation of classified information or material. The DD Form 254:

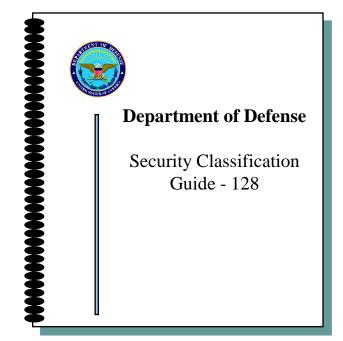
- Identifies the highest level of facility clearance and safeguarding capability required to perform on the contract.
- Indicates access and security requirements for the contract.
- Must be flowed down by SSI to a subcontractor when the effort will involve access to and/or generation of classified material.

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Security Classification Guide

A Security Classification Guide (SCG) is provided by the original government classifying authority. The SCG:

- Is part of the DD Form 254.
- Identifies what information or material is classified.
- Identifies the level of classification of the information.
- Identifies downgrading, declassification or exemption instructions.
- All program personnel are obligated to read the their program classification guidance to know what is classified about the program they work on.



Public Disclosure of Defense Information

Employees must not disclose classified or unclassified contract information pertaining to a contract to the public without prior review and approval as specified in the DD Form 254.

Disclosing contract information to the public includes:

- Articles submitted for technical journals and books.
- Lectures and presentations made at symposiums.
- Marketing literature prepared for general or specific purpose release.
- Presentations at trade shows and job fairs.
- Dissertations/theses developed in pursuit of advanced degrees.
- Any other method of release to the public domain.

Review SSI Policy and Procedure 5-111 and obtain internal approval for public release.



By signing the Security Agreement, SSI made a commitment to follow the security guidelines, procedures, and requirements for handling classified information, as defined by the DoD.

The Defense Security Service (DSS) has been designated by the DoD to provide oversight and ensure compliance with Security requirements in the NISPOM.

Security classification guidance is provided by the government and can be found in the basic contract, DD Form 254, and security classification guides.

The NISP was established to safeguard U.S. Government classified information that is released to contractors.

O True

○ False

Answer

True.

Executive Order (EO) 12829 (and its predecessor orders) establishes the National Industrial Security Program (NISP). "...This order establishes a program to safeguard Federal Government classified information that is released to contractors, licensees, and grantees of the United States Government. To promote our national interests, the United States Government issues contracts, licenses and grants to non-government organizations [i.e., SSI]. When these arrangements require access to classified information, the national security requires this information be safeguarded in a manner equivalent to its protection within the executive branch of government."

"...The national security also requires that our industrial security program promote the economic and technological interests of the United States."

Excerpts from EO 12829, 6 Jan 1993 Signed by President George Bush

In order to perform on classified contracts, SSI was required to execute a legal security agreement with the Department of Defense.

- \bigcirc True
- False

Answer

True.

Prior to allowing SSI access to classified information, there were legal and contractual agreements that were established. First, a Department of Defense Security Agreement was executed between the DoD and SSI. This agreement requires SSI to abide by the current and future security directives issued by the DoD. This is a legal, binding contract. By SSI signing this agreement, the DoD has authorized the company to work on classified contracts.

The DD Form 254 is officially called the:

- Security Requirements List
- Contract Security Classification Specification
- Security Clause
- $^{\bigcirc}$ None of the Above

Answer

DD Form 254 Contract Security Classification Specification

The DD Form 254 is issued with each contract that requires access to, or generation of classified information or materials.

Any public disclosure of unclassified contract information pertaining to a classified contract must be approved (prior to release) by the provisions of the DD Form 254, or as specified by the Government Contracting Agency.

○ True

○ False

Answer

True.

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A marginal rating on a security inspection indicates that a facility:

- Far exceed basic DoD security requirements
- Has lost, or is in imminent danger of losing its ability to safeguard information
- Has a substandard security program
- Is in general conformity with DoD Security requirements

Answer

Marginal

A Marginal rating indicates a substandard security program. This rating signifies a serious finding in one or more security program areas that could contribute to the eventual compromise of classified information. A compliance review is conducted to assess the actions taken to correct the findings that led to the Marginal rating.





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Objectives:

After you complete this lesson, you will be able to:

- Understand that the Non-Disclosure Agreement is a legal binding agreement.
- Identify the three classification levels, and special categories of information.
- Explain original and derivative classification authority.
- Identify the required markings on classified material.



Non-Disclosure Agreement

Before having access to classified information, you were required to sign the Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA), Standard Form (SF) 312. The NDA is a legal document between you and the U.S. Government. The NDA states that:

- Any unauthorized disclosure of classified information could cause damage to the U.S. Government and is a violation of the NDA.
- All classified information is the property of the U.S. Government.
- Violations of the NDA may result in a fine, imprisonment, or both.



Classification Levels

Information is classified based on the sensitivity of the material and the amount of damage that would be caused to the national security if the information were compromised. The levels of classification in the United States are:

Top Secret - Unauthorized disclosure could reasonably be expected to cause <u>exceptionally grave damage</u> to national security.

Secret - Unauthorized disclosure could reasonably be expected to cause <u>serious damage</u> to the national security.

Confidential - Unauthorized disclosure could reasonably be expected to cause <u>damage</u> to the national security.

Special Category Information

Some classified information is considered especially sensitive and additional access restrictions and/or handling requirements have been imposed. These categories are:

- North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) information
- Foreign Government Information (FGI)
- Intelligence Information
- Critical Nuclear Weapons Design Information (CNWDI)
- Restricted Data (RD)
- Formerly Restricted Data (FRD)
- Communications Security (COMSEC) & CRYPTO

Original Classification

Executive Order (EO) 12958 states that only selected U.S. Government officials have original classification authority:



- The President of the United States, Agency Heads and officials designated by the President in the Federal Register.
- Other United States Government officials delegated this authority by direction of the President or Agency Head.

Contractors and their employees do not have original classification authority.

Derivative Classification

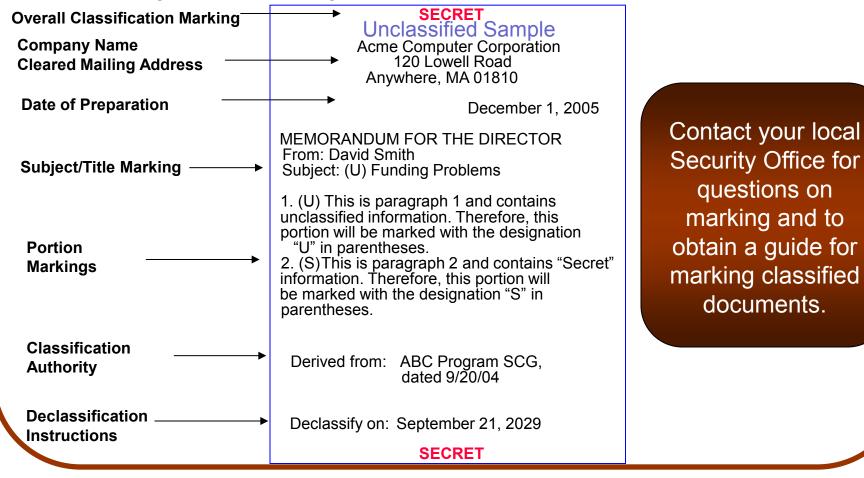
SSI employees obtain their classification authority through the derivative classification process. Derivative classification means:



- Incorporating, paraphrasing, restating, or generating in new form and marking the newly developed material consistent with the classification markings that apply to the source information.
- Classifying and marking newly generated material in accordance with a security classification guide.

Marking Classified Materials

The following basic markings must appear on all classified material:



Lesson 2 Summary DoD Classification System



The Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) is a legal, binding document that prohibits the unauthorized disclosure of classified information.

The U.S. has three levels of classification and information is assigned a level of classification based upon the severity of damage to national security that would result from unauthorized disclosure.

SSI employees classify information based upon derivative rather than original classification authority.

The Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) is not a legal contract, rather an acknowledgement that you should abide by DoD security regulations.

- \bigcirc True
- False

Answer

False.

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The three levels of classified information in the United States are:

- Confidential, Secret and Top Secret
- Secret, Top Secret and FOUO
- Secret, Top Secret and SCI/SAP
- Top Secret, SCI and Special access Program (SAP)

Answer

Classification Levels

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Lesson 2 Review DoD Classification System

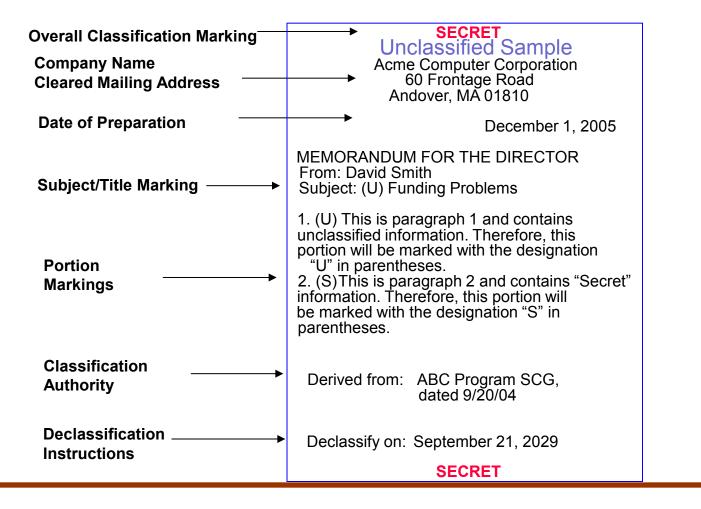
In addition to showing the classification at the top and bottom of each page, a classified document must also:

- Show the authority for the classification decision making the information classified
- Show declassification instructions or exemption category
- Be paragraph marked
- $\odot\,$ All of the above

Answer

All of the above

The following basic markings must appear on all classified material:



Objective:

After you complete this lesson, you will be able to:

- Describe the types of threats to our classified and sensitive information.
- Describe defensive security actions that can be taken to counter those threats.



The Threat

What is the Threat?

- We must remember that the Foreign Intelligence Service (FIS) networks (including those of "friendly countries") are worldwide and ever present, and they want our technology.
- Critical technology has never been stolen by force. The FIS obtains information through open sources, friendships, and recruitment of U.S. citizens with access to the information they want.
- The gathering of human intelligence (referred to as "HUMINT) is the foremost threat, since all espionage recruitment begins with the human element.

Who are the Targets?

- Aerospace and defense industries
- Cleared employees
- Commercial enterprises (economic)



Foreign Intelligence Threats

Methods of Operation/Techniques:

- Requests for scientific and technological information.
- Solicitation of marketing services.
- Acquisition of U.S. companies and their technologies.
- Blackmail resulting from inappropriate conduct during foreign visits.
- Exploitation of international conventions, seminars, exhibits.
- Exploitation of e-mail and the internet.
- Exploitation of joint ventures and research.
- Exploitation of foreign visits to U.S. facilities.



Human Intelligence

Who is the Threat?

- Any person who lacks the proper clearance and need-to-know, but still seeks to gain unauthorized access to classified or sensitive information.
- This includes business competitors who need our advanced technology to ensure their economic survival by reducing our competitive edge.

Informed, loyal, and constantly vigilant people are the best defense we have against the loss of our technology and competitive edge.

Defensive Security Actions

- Actions you can take to reduce or mitigate the risk of espionage include:
- Know and follow good security practices at work, at home, and while on travel.
- Be alert to overly inquisitive people asking about the type of work you do, business information about SSI, or about your personal life.
- Never provide anyone with more information than is absolutely necessary to accomplish your objectives.
- Do not share any contractual, classified, For Official Use Only (FOUO), or SSI proprietary information with anyone who does not have a legitimate need for the information.
- Report any suspected attempts to gain information or other suspicious circumstances to your local Security Office.

The threat of espionage against the United States is on the increase as foreign countries struggle to achieve technical and economic parity or superiority in the world.

As a SSI employee, you should be aware of these threats and take defensive security actions to reduce the risk.



The demise of the Cold War has not reduced the threat of espionage against the United States.

○ True

○ False

Answer

True.

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Objective:

After you complete this lesson, you will be able to:

Identify the requirements to report:

- Events that may impact the status of an employee's personnel clearance (PCL).
- Situations that affect proper safeguarding of classified information.
- Circumstances that indicate classified information has been lost or compromised.



Reporting Requirements

All cleared SSI employees have the obligation to report the following to their local Security Office:

- Security violations/vulnerabilities.
- Suspicious contacts by anyone attempting to solicit information from you regarding sensitive projects on which you are working, or other information relative to government contracts, company proprietary or competition sensitive information.
- Changes in personal status such as a change in name, marital status (for TS & SAP), citizenship, or job assignment that results in access to classified information no longer being required.
- Espionage, sabotage, subversive and terrorist activities.
- Adverse information. (See next slides for details.)

Adverse information

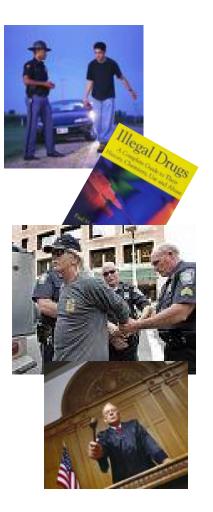
Adverse information is defined as "any information that adversely reflects on the integrity or character of a cleared employee that suggests his/her ability to safeguard classified information may be impaired, or that his/her access to classified information may not be in the interest of national security."

SSI managers, supervisors, and employees have the responsibility of reporting to the local Security Office any adverse information which may come to their attention concerning a cleared employee or someone in the process of being cleared. The local Security Office will report factual information to the Defense Security Service for adjudication.

Adverse Information

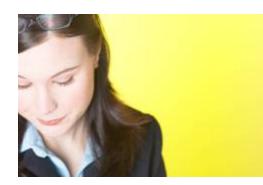
Examples :

- Arrests or convictions for criminal offenses, including driving under the influence.
- Financial difficulties, including bankruptcy, excessive indebtedness, and wage garnishments.
- Bizarre or notoriously disgraceful behavior.
- Alcoholism, use of illegal drugs or abuse of legal drugs.
- Emotional or psychological problems requiring treatment or hospitalization.
- Affluence (wealth, acquisitions, investments) beyond known sources of income.
- Membership in organizations which seek to overthrow the government of the United States by unconstitutional means.



As a cleared employee, you are responsible for knowing your reporting requirements and for taking the necessary action to report any such circumstances to the Security Office.









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O True

○ False

Answer

True.

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Objectives:

After you complete this lesson, you will be able to:

- Identify procedures for escorted, unescorted and foreign person visitors.
- Describe general safeguarding procedures for classified material.
- Explain general document control procedures.
- Describe general user responsibilities for processing on a classified Information System (IS).



General Security Practices

Your work environment, physical location, type of project, and individual job functions play a major role in determining the security procedures and practices to which you must adhere.

The information contained in this section includes those generic practices that every cleared employee must follow, regardless of individual work assignment.



Visitor Control

When hosting visitors, SSI employees must ensure that all government and Company information is protected from unauthorized disclosure.

Unescorted Visitor Badge:

- Visitor is a long term visitor authorized unescorted access to the facility by the SSI host when required for job performance.
- Visitor can come and go within the facility without an escort.
- Citizenship status of the visitor must be verified by Security before the badge is issued.
- Know the requirements to authorize unescorted visitors at your facility.

Visitor Control

Escorted Visitor Badge:

- Visitor has no authorization for unrestricted access to the facility.
- Visitor must be escorted at all times while within the facility.
- Escorting employees must maintain visual and physical control over the visitor.
- Take visitor with this badge to the Security reception area or to find the responsible escort when discovered in the facility without an escort. Notify Security accordingly.



Visitor Control

Foreign Person Visitor Also Receives an Escort Required Badge:

- Visitor is either a foreign national, a Permanent Resident who cannot provide evidence of such status, or a U.S. Person who is employed by or represents a foreign government or foreign incorporated company.
- A Foreign Person does not have a security clearance.
- A Foreign Person has limited access to the SSI facility under <u>escort only</u> and <u>no access</u> to the SSI computer network
- Visitor must be denied access to export-controlled technology, unless SSI has an appropriate export authorization. Escorting employees must maintain visual and physical control over the visitor.



Foreign Visit Host Responsibilities

Prior to the arrival of the foreign visitor(s), you must:

- Complete a Foreign Visitor Request Form and submit it to the local Import/Export Compliance and/or Security Office for approval.
- Brief all personnel who will escort or meet with the visitors on any restrictions or limitations on information/technology that can be released them and on potential intelligence gathering techniques.
- Ensure that the foreign persons will have no opportunity to access information/technology not specifically approved for the visit by sanitizing the area(s) to be visited.
- Ensure that the foreign persons will be escorted at all times by no fewer than one escort per five visitors.

As a leader in defense technology, SSI and its employees are a target for espionage by both hostile and friendly nations.

Safeguarding Classified Information

- Verify the security clearance and need to know of any employee or visitor who is unknown to you before releasing or disclosing classified information.
- Do not take classified information/material home, to a hotel, or any other uncleared location.
- Memorize the combination of the lock to your safe or Closed Area. If written/recorded on any medium, it becomes classified material which must be properly marked and stored as classified.



When in use, classified material must remain under the continuous physical control of an appropriately cleared individual.

Safeguarding Classified Information

- Always protect the information you are using from unauthorized exposure or release.
- Secure all classified material in an approved security container when not in use.
- Conduct an "end-of-day" security check at the close of each business day to ensure all classified material has been put in a security container and the lock is secured.



Safeguarding Classified Information During an Emergency

- Life Safety is First! Use your best judgment.
- If time permits secure classified material in appropriate container
- If time does not permit:
 - Small amount of classified take it with you and keep it under your control at all times, do not leave the property. Notify Security As Soon As Possible.
 - Large amount of classified in a Closed Area Last person out secure the Area with Spin Dial Lock if time allows. Notify Security As Soon As Possible.
 - Large amount of classified out in an open office area If time allows, place in cabinet, desk, etc. (lock if possible). Notify Security As Soon As Possible.

Document Control



- Process classified material to be transmitted out of the facility through Security's Document Control Center (DCC).
- Obtain approval to hand-carry classified material through your local Security Office and take it to DCC for proper wrapping and receipting.
- Reproduction of classified material must be approved by your local Security Office and must be reproduced only on equipment that has been specifically approved.
- Contact DCC to obtain new accountability numbers when generating and reproducing accountable classified material.
- Hand-carry classified material and classified waste to Security's DCC for destruction.

Retention

Following contract closure/termination, the loss of a proposal, or a no-bid decision, SSI must request retention authority from the customer in order to retain the classified material associated with the effort.

 Respond to any notification to either request retention for or destroy classified material in your custody.



Remember, all classified information is the property of the U.S. Government.

Security Precautions for Cell Phones & Wireless Devices

There are inherent risks in allowing cell phones, Blackberries, PDAs, or two-way transmitters into any area where classified discussions or processing is conducted.

Safeguarding Government classified, For Official Use Only (FOUO), SSI Proprietary, and Competition Sensitive information requires that we mitigate risks associated with wireless devices in areas with classified and/or sensitive information and/or where classified and/or sensitive discussions may be held.

Be aware of classified and sensitive discussions in your vicinity and be vigilant in preventing such information from being transmitted over unsecure communication devices.



Check your local security policy to see which devices are prohibited from your facility or certain areas within your facility.

Information System (IS) Security

Only Information Systems (IS) that have been certified and accredited may be used to process classified information.

As a user of a classified IS, you must know:

- The programs (contracts) authorized for processing.
- The highest level of classified information which can be processed.
- Hard copy and media handling and marking procedures.
- The required notifications to be made prior to any hardware, software, location, or security-relevant configuration changes.

If you inadvertently process classified information on an unclassified system, notify your local Security Office immediately!



As a cleared SSI employee, you are responsible for safeguarding classified information and material entrusted to you. In addition, cleared employees must:

- Understand the types of visitor badges and follow the proper guidelines for admitting and escorting visitors.
- Be aware of the functions of the Classified Document Control Center for receipt, dispatch, reproduction and destruction of classified material.
- Ensure that all classified material in your possession is protected from unauthorized exposure or release.
- Be familiar with requirements for classified processing on a Information System (IS).

Good employee security practices include:

- Wearing any required badges properly at all times while on SSI or Government property
- Protecting Government and SSI information from improper disclosure
- Complying with SSI security policies and procedures
- \bigcirc All of the above

Answer

All of the above.

Employee Security Responsibilities

- Always protect the information you are using from unauthorized exposure or release
- Verify the security clearance and need to know before releasing or disclosing classified information to anyone when you cannot personally verify as possessing the requisite clearance and need to know.
- Report any suspicious activity to your supervisor and local security office.
- If you are uncertain about a particular security policy, seek advice from your local security staff.
- If you use a classified computer system, ensure you understand and comply with the security procedures for its operation.
- Wear any required badges at all times on SSI and Government property. Insist others do the same.
- Visitors must be escorted at all times within a SSI facility. Politely challenge those who are not.

All U.S. Government classified information is the property of:

- The contractor facility where the classified contract is being performed
- SSI if it contains SSI Proprietary information
- The U.S. Government

Answer

The U.S. Government.

It is important to remember that all classified information is the property of the U.S. Government.

SSI can retain classified information only when it has a legitimate need-to-know, as proven by an on-going work effort or government retention authorization.

Following contract closure/termination, the loss of a bid, or a no bid decision, SSI must request retention authority from the customer in order to retain the material.

Employees who notice "Escort Required" visitors not being escorted should:

- Determine where the visitor needs to go and provide directions
- Locate the Escort or escort the visitor back to the Security reception area
- $\odot\,$ Ignore them as the escort probably gave them permission
- \bigcirc None of the above

Answer

Employees who notice a visitor with an Escort Required badge not being properly escorted should politely escort the visitor back to the Security reception area or to find the escort.

Congratulations!

You have successfully completed the DoD Annual Security Refresher Briefing.

Please sign the enclosed acknowledgement and forward back to your Facility Security Office

SSI's Annual Security Refresher Training Attestation

I have received and read the Annual Security Refresher Training for 2021. I am aware and understand that there are requirements that I must meet in order to maintain my security clearance to include: adherence to certain standards of conduct, reporting changes in my personal life that are of security interest, and complying with security regulations and procedures which are used to protect classified information. I also am aware that if I have any questions, need to report any pertinent changes in my personal life, or to report an actual or suspected security violation I should immediately contact SSI's Facility Security Officer.

Signature

Printed Name