



BETTER BUYING POWER UPDATE

Eliminating Industry Requirements

Actions that are unnecessary or provide little value for acquisition can add cost, cause delays and restrict innovation. While statutes and regulations serve a purpose, they can be burdensome. There are areas where the details of implementation are creating unnecessary or unproductive work.

The report "[Eliminating Requirements Imposed on Industry Where Costs Exceed Benefits](#)" makes several specific recommendations that will reduce regulatory burden. This supports the Better Buying Power initiatives to maximize capability acquired with taxpayer money.

RESOURCES

Additive Manufacturing

The Government Accountability Office [report on Defense Additive Manufacturing](#) states that additive manufacturing has the potential to improve aspects of DoD's mission and operations. DoD and other organizations are determining how to address challenges to adopting the technology department-wide. Learn more about the impacts on Defense acquisition and supply chain management at the [Logistics Community of Practice](#) and through a series of [Additive Manufacturing Videos](#) in the DAU Media Library.

Defense AT&L Magazine

The [November-December](#) edition features "Where Have All the Nunn-McCurdys Gone?" by Dr. Mark Husband

There has been a sharp reduction in the number of critical and significant cost, schedule and performance shortfalls in programs. Defense analysts have strong opinions about why.



LEARNING ASSETS

Leadership & Management

Continuous training opportunities are available for those with DAWIA Level III certification in any career field and at least three years of Level III experience. Seats are available in:

[ACQ 450 - Leading in the Acquisition Environment](#) focuses on leadership, people differences, communication strategies, conflict management, and critical thinking skills.

[ACQ 451 - Integrated Acquisition for Decision Makers](#) focuses on integration challenges within six perspectives of acquisition and what you need to do to work through those challenges.

[ACQ 452 - Forging Stakeholder Relationships](#) focuses on stakeholder strategies and building ownership across the enterprise through the development of a stakeholder management plan.

[ACQ 453 - Leader as Coach](#) focuses on coaching skills and strategies needed for transformational leadership and applying the skills and strategies in the coaching and development of others.

[DAU Leadership Center](#) also provides a variety of additional valuable leadership resources.

MISSION ASSISTANCE

Strengthen Your Team

[Crucial Conversations](#) provides solutions to how individuals, teams and organizations can overcome problems stemming from under-communicating, withholding information, or other breakdowns in communication.

[Crucial Accountability](#) provides a step-by-step process so managers can identify and resolve performance gaps, strengthen accountability, eliminate inconsistency and reduce resentment throughout an organization. These two workshops can be provided separately together.

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President's Message

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Think critically and do what makes sense.



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