Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA)





Industrial Security (IS): Partnering with industry to maintain trust in America's workspaces and classified technologies

Overview

The IS mission protects national security by clearing industrial facilities, personnel and associated classified information systems. DCSA serves as the primary interface between the federal government and industry, providing daily oversight, advice and assistance to cleared companies while determining the ability of those companies to protect classified information.

DCSA administers the National Industrial Security Program (NISP) on behalf of the military departments, defense agencies and 35 NISP signatory federal departments and agencies. Through the NISP, DCSA ensures that sensitive and classified U.S. and foreign government information, technologies and material entrusted to cleared industry is properly protected.

- Office of Entity Vetting (EV) performs entity risk identification, analysis and management services by vetting companies for foreign ownership, control or influence (FOCI); business integrity; and lawful conduct risk indicators to protect government information and technology. A company is considered to be operating under FOCI whenever a foreign interest has the power to direct or decide matters affecting the management or operations of that company.
- Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) helps cleared industry understand CUI safeguarding requirements associated with classified contracts within the NISP.
- International and Special Programs (ISP) oversees international visits and manages classified information responsibilities with foreign governments, contractors and NATO, including international visits.

- Arms, Ammunition and Explosives (AA&E) conducts pre-award security surveys and annual inspections for AA&E contractors.
- The NISP Cybersecurity Office (NCSO)
 oversees the risk management framework
 (RMF), assessment and authorization (A&A)
 process and validates effective employment
 of safeguards to protect national security
 systems. NCSO also supports the DOD
 Information Network's Cyber Operation
 Readiness Assessment program which
 hardens information systems and provides
 proactive cyber defense.

IS BY THE NUMBERS *FISCAL YEAR 2024*

contractor facilities cleared for access to classified information under DCSA's security oversight responsibilities

~4.670 security reviews conducted

~1,200 entities vetted for FOCI risk indicators

~5.200 NISP IT systems accredited

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