MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
(FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND COMPTROLLER)
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES
DIRECTORS OF THE DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES
COMPTROLLER, JOINT STAFF


This policy memo establishes the requirement for accounting systems to comply with the data and configuration requirements in the Fiscal Year 2016 Department of Defense (DoD) chart of accounts standard financial information structure (SFIS) 10.0 maintenance release attribute alignment file. This file establishes the requirements for the standard Defense Departmental Reporting System (DDRS) interface file formats. The attribute alignment file is located on the Deputy Chief Management Officer SFIS Resource Page under the ‘DoD Standard Chart of Accounts Implementation Guidance’ section at: http://dcmo.defense.gov/ProductsandServices/StandardFinancialInformationStructure.aspx.

Compliance with these requirements will improve interoperability between accounting systems and DDRS, improve the accuracy of financial data and financial reporting, establish compliance with the U.S. Standard General Ledger, reduce manual and automated journal vouchers, and generally contribute to the Department’s audit readiness.

By August 12, 2016, the DDRS and each system’s accounting program management office is responsible for submitting, to the point of contacts below, either an implementation date for both the attribute alignment file and DDRS interface format file, or a sunset date for the applicable system. These dates will be consolidated to form an enterprise transition plan with target completion dates.

Policy contained in this memorandum remains in effect until the DoD Financial Management Regulation, Volume 1, Chapters 4 and 7, are updated. Questions regarding this guidance may be directed to Mr. Joseph Doyle, 703.614.3523 or joseph.f.doyle10.civ@mail.mil, and Mr. Raymond Bombac, 571.372.3092 or raymond.m.bombac.civ@mail.mil.

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