

AUTHORITY PATH JUSTIFICATION

Under two special laws (10 U.S.C. 4022 and 4023), DoD can sometimes buy a prototype or run an experiment outside the normal federal buying rules. This page records which route fits your answers, why, and what still needs documenting. Not legal advice — decisions stay with the government.

Your route

1. Vendor: Vendor in mind
2. Competitive access: No
3. Experiment: No
4. Competition not practicable: No

Path

New Challenge / CSO required

Production path

Open competition to identify solutions

Why this path

Competition is practicable, so open a Challenge or CSO to identify solutions before a competitive 4022.

Still need to document

1. Stand up the Challenge or CSO
2. Publish evaluation criteria
3. Plan the competitive 4022 after selection

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