Limited Dissemination Control (LDC) Markings

What are LDC Markings?

- LDC markings are used to limit and/or control who can or cannot access the CUI based on a specific law, regulation, or policy.
- LDC markings cannot unnecessarily restrict CUI access, e.g., do not mark a document as “No Dissemination to Contractors” or “NOCON” unless there is a law, regulation, or policy that prohibits dissemination to a contractor.
- Personnel who receive CUI from another Executive branch agency must comply with the LCD markings annotated on their document.
- For a complete list LDC markings visit: https://www.dodcui.mil

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* The dissemination list limits access to the specified individuals, groups, or agencies and must accompany the document.
** For a complete a list of approved Trigraph Country Codes, go to https://www.dodcui.mil

Quick Reference Guide

Controlled Unclassified Information is similar to FOUO as it is handled, stored, transmitted, and destroyed in basically the same manner as the legacy FOUO program:
- When the option is available, should be processed on Government Furnished Equipment (GFE)
- Must be encrypted if sent via NIPRNet
- Limit access to those with a lawful government purpose
- Destroyed by means approved for destroying classified or in a manner making it unreadable, indecipherable, and irrecoverable.
- After working hours, CUI will be stored in unlocked containers, desks, or cabinets if the government building provides security for continuous monitoring of access. If building security is not provided, the information will be stored in locked desks, file cabinets, bookcases, locked rooms, or similarly secured areas.
- CUI will be formally reviewed IAW DoDI 5230.09, Clearance of DoD Information for Public Release, before being decontrolled or released to the public.

**Prohibited from CUI markings:**
- Conceal violations of the law, inefficiency, or administrative errors
- Prevent embarrassment to a person, organization, or agency
- Prevent open competition
- Control information that does not require protection under a law or regulation
CUI Decision Process

**START**

1. **DOES THE INFORMATION MEET THE STANDARDS FOR CLASSIFICATION WITH DODI5200.01?**
   - **NO**
     - STOP
   - **YES**
     - **IDENTIFY THE CATEGORY OF THE INFORMATION FALLS WITHIN**
       - **YES**
         - **THE INFORMATION CANNOT BE MARKED AS CUI**
         - STOP
       - **NO**
         - **GO TO DODCUI.DOD.GOV FOR GUIDANCE ON PROCESSING CLASSIFIED INFORMATION**

**Categories of CUI**

For information to be considered CUI it must fall within a category, such as:

- Critical Infrastructure
- Defense
- Export Control
- Financial & Tax
- Immigration
- Intelligence
- International Agreements
- Law Enforcement
- Legal
- Natural & Cultural Resources
- NATO
- Nuclear
- Patent
- Privacy
- Procurement & Acquisition
- Proprietary Business Information
- Provisional (for DHS use only)
- Statistical
- Transportation

A complete list of categories, sub-categories, and descriptions can be found at https://www.dodcui.mil

**Marking Guidelines**

"CUI" will be placed at the top and bottom of each page.

Portion markings are optional on unclassified documents, but if used, all portions will be marked.

The CUI designation indicator will be placed at the bottom of the first page.

The CUI designation indicator and the classification authority block will be placed at the bottom of the first page.

A warning statement will be placed at the bottom of the first page of multi-page documents alerting readers to the presence of CUI in a classified DoD document.

Markings are for training use only.