



MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

US/UK DTCT Security Policy Requirements

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Defence Security – Scientific, Technical and Industrial

Security Protection

- **The DTCT requires the Parties to provide an appropriate degree of security protection and access control to Defence Articles received from the other Party.**
- **US-origin items exported to the UK under the DTCT will, when in the UK, be protected under Her Majesty's Government security regulations and fall under the scope of the Official Secrets Act.**

Security Protection 2

- For the purposes of the Treaty, all US-sourced equipment and information will be treated as at least to the level of UK RESTRICTED when in the UK.
- United Kingdom Approved Community recipients of United States classified Defence Articles are required to provide the Defence Articles a degree of protection no less stringent than that provided to United Kingdom assets of equivalent protective marking as required by the SPF.

Security Classifications

The equivalent national security classifications appropriate to Defence Articles under the provisions of the DTCT are:

UNITED KINGDOM	UNITED STATES
UK SECRET	SECRET USML/RELUSA and GBR Treaty Community
UK CONFIDENTIAL	CONFIDENTIAL USML/RELUSA and GBR Treaty Community
UK RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED USML/RELUSA and GBR Treaty Community

Asset Classification & Marking

- **All United States Defence Articles Exported or Transferred to entities in the United Kingdom Approved Community will be marked or identified prior to transfer, as follows:**
 - (a) For exports and transfers of Defence Articles classified for purposes other than the Treaty, the standard marking or identification will read [CLASSIFICATION LEVEL] i.e. “CONFIDENTIAL USML/REL USA and GBR Treaty Community”;
 - (b). For exports and transfers of other Defence Articles i.e. US material which is UNCLASSIFIED, the standard marking or identification will read “RESTRICTED USML/REL USA and GBR Treaty Community”.

Asset Classification & Marking - Return to US

- **Defence Articles returned to the United States classified as RESTRICTED USML purely for the purposes of the Treaty will revert to an unclassified state.**
- **Defence Articles with other classifications must continue to be protected in accordance with the United Kingdom's SPF regulations for the classification of the Defence Article concerned**

Access Requirements

■ Treaty Requires that:

“Access to Defense Articles Exported under the Treaty will be granted only to those serving members of HM Armed forces and those individuals who have:

- An appropriate security clearance at least at the UK Security Check level: and
- A need to know.”

Access Requirements 2

- Access to US Defense Articles by persons with the nationality of a country on the US ITAR 126.1 countries is not permitted without the prior authorisation of the US Government.
- Dual Nationality/ITAR 126.1 exemptions negotiated as part of the ITAR rule change do not have any effect on the Treaty requirement for a Security Clearance.
- A Baseline Personnel Security Standard (BPSS) is NOT acceptable for access to ANY US Classified Defense Articles transferred under the auspices of the Treaty.

Questions

