

## 27.305-1 Goals.

(a) Contracts having a patent rights clause *should* be so administered that-

(1) Inventions are identified, disclosed, and reported as required by the contract, and elections are *made*;

(2) The rights of the Government in *subject inventions* are established;

(3) When patent protection is appropriate, patent applications are timely filed and prosecuted by contractors or by the Government;

(4) The rights of the Government in filed patent applications are documented by formal instruments such as licenses or assignments; and

(5) Expeditious commercial utilization of *subject inventions* is achieved.

(b) If a *subject invention* is *made* under a contract funded by more than one agency, at the request of the contractor or on their own initiative, the agencies *shall* designate one agency as responsible for administration of the rights of the Government in the invention.

**Parent topic:** [27.305 Administration of patent rights clauses.](#)