

whether the property is scrap. The contractor shall sort the scrap to the extent economically feasible to assure the highest sale proceeds.

(b) The plant clearance officer shall review the schedules of property reported as scrap and, if necessary, physically inspect the property involved. If the plant clearance officer determines that any of the property is serviceable, usable, or salvable, the contractor shall resubmit it on appropriate inventory schedules.

45.607-2 Recovering precious metals.

(a) GSA is responsible for initiating the Government-wide precious metals recovery program (see FPMR 101-42.3 for procedures and requirements in recovering precious metals).

(b) Agencies shall assure that contractors generating contractor inventory containing precious metal-bearing scrap identify and promptly report such items. Agencies are also responsible for establishing and maintaining a program for recovering precious metals. Agencies having no recovery and disposal facility available may request information or recovery assistance from the GSA regional office serving the area or the DOD Precious Metals Recovery Program, Defense Logistics Agency, Attn: DLSC-LC, 8725 John J Kingman Road, Fort Belvoir VA 22060.

(c) Precious metals shall be packaged in nonporous, smooth containers in a manner to prevent loss through leakage or damage to the containers. (Glass containers shall not be used.) Grindings or sweepings shall not be packaged in paper or wooden containers, because loss occurs by adhesion to the containers. Containers shall be marked to show the type of precious metals.

(d) The shipping document shall indicate the net weight of each item to the nearest ounce (troy or avoirdupois). Shipment shall be made by the most economical means available, consistent with adequate safeguards to prevent loss or theft.

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45.608 Screening of contractor inventory.

45.608-1 General.

(a) Serviceable or usable property included in the contractor's inventory schedules that is not purchased or retained by the prime contractor or subcontractor or returned to suppliers shall be screened for use by Government agencies before disposition by donation or sale. Agencies shall assure the widespread dissemination of information concerning the availability of contractor inventory.

(b) There are four categories of screening: standard, agency, limited, and special items. The plant clearance officer shall determine the categories of screening required, initiate prescribed screening, and assure accomplishment of transfer and donation.

Table 45-1 lists the type of property and screening period for each of these categories. When circumstances warrant, the plant clearance officer may extend the period for agency screening or arrange for more extensive screening than that prescribed. In the event of a conflict between Table 45-1 and a specific contract requirement, items shall be screened as provided by the contract.

TABLE 45-1
Screening Requirements by Type of Property

Screening Categories	Type of Property	Period
Standard	Line items valued at \$1,000 or more (\$500 for furniture).	90 days/(see 45.608-2)
Agency	Special tooling, perishables, property bearing a security classification, property dangerous to public health and safety, regardless of acquisition cost, and agency-peculiar property..	30 days/(See 45.608-3)
Limited	Special tooling, scrap and salvage, property in condition codes 3, 6, 9, X, and S, work-in-process, inventory schedules (the total acquisition cost of which is reported as \$2,500 or less), and line items of less than \$1,000 (\$500 for furniture) (except perishables, property bearing a security classification, and property dangerous to public health and safety)..	30 days/(see 45.608-4)
Special Items	Special test equipment with standard components..	(see 45.608-5(a))