

**Buildings and Building Materials, Industrial Services and Supplies**  
**Schedule 56**  
**Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

**1. Are temporary buildings covered under disaster recovery program?**

Yes. See SIN 361-10D for Emergency Response, 361-10A for Storage and 361-10H for Restrooms & Laundry would probably be the most requested. Any temporary building maybe ordered under the disaster recovery program, depending on the requirements of the customer.

**2. Do pre-engineered and pre-fabricated buildings and structures include electrical wiring and plumbing? Yes, the buildings and structures include options that make the units fully operating buildings. Where can I point customers for assistance?**

Schedule 56 Contracting Officers can provide cursory review of Statements of Work (SOW) to ensure that the procurement is in scope of the Schedule, and ensure there are no conflicts with contract Clauses, etc.

**3. Are any of the prefabs made with sustainable materials? If so, what? If not, is there any future vision in the industry to create sustainable prefabs?**

‘Sustainable’ doesn’t have a definite definition. We have some vendors that have buildings made from scrap metal. Ongoing initiative to get sustainable...

**4. Are any of the prefabs LEED certified?**

No buildings are LEED certified at this time

**5. Are sidewalks and utilities required to complete a project covered under any ancillary services SINS or categories?**

Sidewalks fall under SIN 361-32, installation and site preparation requiring construction. Ancillary Services, SIN 361 30, excludes construction. Utility hook up is within the scope of Schedule 56; the requirement for utility hook up is determined by the customer.

**6. What services (minor construction, ancillary repair) are included in the procurement of the prefab building?**

Any services beyond delivery of the building are not covered under the building SIN. Services must be solicited and quoted under the applicable services SIN. SIN 361 30, for ancillary services, and SIN 361 32, for installation and site preparation requiring construction are companion SINs for the buildings and structures. The applicable SIN is determined by the extent of services required to provide a turnkey solution.

**7. What types of services are excluded when hooking up a prefab building to the utilities?**

Any non-standard electrical requirement within the building.

**8. What is included in the building itself?**

Standard and optional items vary by contract, dependent on the standard and optional items offered by the contractor. Non-contract items may can be included in a procurement as open market items. However, open market items are subject to forma price evaluation procedures.

**9. How does GSA define "Construction", "Ancillary Repair & Alteration", and "Minor Construction"?**

Complex construction is not approved under GSA MAS contracts.

Schedule 56 includes commercial products that may require service in conjunction with purchase of a product. There are 3 basic types of service available: Ancillary Service for functions such as set up, simple installation, training, etc (excludes construction and services subject to the Service Contract Act); Ancillary Repair and Alteration requiring minor construction (includes Davis Bacon and construction clauses); and Installation and Site Preparation requiring Construction, which is necessary for Roof Repair or Replacement, to install a Pre-Engineered or Prefabricated Building or Structure, to install an Above Ground Storage Tank, or to install Alternative Energy and Power Distribution Solutions (includes Davis Bacon and Construction Clauses).

Ancillary Repair & Alteration SINs are available in conjunction with purchase of products that require minor construction to be installed properly, such as minor construction necessary to install a door or window, repair drywall, or paint a room.

SIN categories are also available to provide installation and site prep requiring construction, services ordered in conjunction with purchase of products to be installed under the Schedule contract--ie, a prefabricated building, solar energy system, roofing, generator, transformer, etc. Davis Bacon and Construction Clauses are incorporated into Schedule 56 contracts offering installation and site preparation requiring construction and

R&A. GSA negotiates fixed rates for services (rates include consideration of prevailing Davis Bacon wage rates). The applicable Davis Bacon wage determination is incorporated at the task order level, when place of performance has been determined.

**10. Does the schedule include furniture, bathroom fixtures, kitchenettes, etc.?**

Contracts usually do not include furniture. However, it is routine to include optional bathroom fixtures or kitchenettes depending on the building and contractor. A teaming arrangement may be necessary to furnish the building or structure.

**11. What preconditions are required at the proposed site? This would include water and sewer lines, electric and gas connections etc.**

These utilities must be available at the site.

**12. If extensive site preparation is required, is this covered under the schedule?**

Site prep is covered under 4 the installation and site preparation SINs, with cover specific products categories: SIN 563 4 (roofing); SIN 361 32 (pre-engineered, pre-fabricated buildings and structures); 361 28 (above ground storage tanks), 412 51 (alternative energy solutions, power distribution equipment). Site preparation is limited to the immediate location of the installation, such as leveling and clearing ground, pouring a cement pad, etc.

**13. Is the foundation part of the schedule?**

Yes, a foundation is included under installation and site preparation requiring construction SINs 361 28, 361 32, and 412 51.

**14. Since foundations are necessary, is this considered ancillary?**

A foundation is considered under installation and site preparation.

**15. Are there limits on site preparation costs?**

No, any cost/price decision is determined by the customer. GSA MAS contracts do not include a limitation at the contract or order level.