
It had been permissible for some government agencies and government Contractors to store Secret and Confidential information in a non-GSA-approved container equipped with a built-in combination lock or in a non-GSA-approved container secured with a rigid metal lock bar and an Agency Head approved padlock. However, continued use of such non-GSA-approved containers will now be prohibited.

In accordance with the ISOO Directive, non-GSA-approved containers and lock bar file cabinets must be removed from service October 1, 2012.

Industrial Security Letters (ISLs) are issued periodically by the Defense Security Service (DSS). They inform cleared Contractors, User Agencies, and DoD Activities of developments relating to industrial security. These letters provide information and clarification of existing policy and requirements.


ISL 2011-01 was issued January 13, 2011. It made implementing this requirement – replacement of lock bar file cabinets and non-GSA-approved containers – an item of special emphasis during recurring inspections. DSS will review contractor plans to meet the deadline, which should include a timetable for identifying and eliminating all remaining non-GSA-approved containers being used to store classified material, as well as other actions being taken to prepare for this transition.

For existing GSA-approved security containers with mechanical combination locks, the ISL states: “there is no requirement for Contractors to retrofit mechanical combination locks on GSA-approved security containers, if the integrity of the container is intact and the GSA approval label is still affixed. When the mechanical combination lock is determined to be unserviceable, the replacement lock must comply with Federal Specification FF-L-2740.”

To view the entire text of ISL 2011-01, please visit the DoD Lock Program website, https://locks.navfac.navy.mil, look under “Documents,” “Directives and Guidance,” “Other Documents.” This ISL and others are also available on the DSS website, www.dss.mil.
FACTS ABOUT GSA-APPROVED DUAL-LOCK CONTAINERS

If you have an old GSA-approved container with two mechanical combination locks on the control drawer, you have a dual-lock container. These containers also came in a multi-lock/dual-lock configuration in which each drawer had two locks.

- Dual-lock drawers included two locks, which provided for two person integrity (TPI) in earlier containers.

- Dual-lock containers were discontinued in the early 1990’s when the X-07 electromechanical combination lock (meeting Federal Specification FF-L-2740) was introduced. This was because the X-07 had the capability to be put into dual combination mode, which could be used if TPI was desired.

- GSA-approved security containers using dual-lock drawers came in both Class 5 and 6 versions; they came equipped with UL listed 768 Group 1, mechanical combination locks.

The DoD Manual 5200.01, Volume 3 has mandated the use of combination locks meeting federal specification FF-L-2740 for the protection of classified information. The older GSA-approved multi-lock/dual-lock containers should not be used by DoD components unless retrofitted.

Since a dual-lock drawer requires that both locks be used, it may be cost effective to replace the control drawer with a single-lock drawer rather than retrofitting both Group 1 locks with FF-L-2740 locks. Contact the container manufacturer and describe your container to determine whether a replacement drawer is available for your container. Manufacturers are listed on our website under the “Links Index.”

If you have any questions or concerns, call the DoD Lock Program’s Technical Support Hotline.
Federal Standard 809 (FED-STD-809), Neutralization and Repair of GSA-Approved Containers and Vault Doors, section 4.4.1, Repairs, Unauthorized, states: “GSA-approved containers and vault doors that have been opened, repaired, or modified in a manner other than as described herein are not considered to have been restored to their original state of security integrity. The “Test Certification” label on the inside of the locking drawer or door, and the “General Services Administration Approved Container/Vault Door” label on the outside of the container/door shall be removed.” Previously, using Class 6 security containers aboard ship has been an ongoing problem, because a method to secure them to the deck to prevent movement at sea has not been available. Because the requirement for a mountable shipboard security container persists, the Physical Security Enterprise and Analysis Group (PSEAG) funded the development of a Class 6-S (S for shipboard) security container. GSA has recently approved the very first Class 6-S security container.

This GSA-approved five drawer Class 6-S security container contains an integrated pedestal that has an option for direct mounting to the deck by either bolting or welding without compromising the containers’ security integrity. In order to receive GSA-approval the container met all Class 6 security container requirements of Federal Specification AA-F-358J, including shock and vibration testing in accordance with MIL-S-901 and MIL-STD-167-1, respectively. For further information contact the DoD Lock Program.
FF-L-2740 COMBINATION LOCK TRAINING

The DoD Lock Program offers training on locks that meet Federal Specification FF-L-2740. Training will focus primarily on installation and operation of Kaba Mas and Sargent & Greenleaf FF-L-2740 compliant locks. Special tools and techniques that simplify the installation and retrofit will be demonstrated during the class. Relevant regulations regarding storage of classified information will be discussed. This training is offered to government employees and government contractor personnel and is tailored for people who will be installing and servicing FF-L-2740 locks.

Dates, locations, and class registration information are posted on the DoD Lock Program website.
ARE YOU PREPARING YOUR GSA-APPROVED CONTAINER(S) FOR SHIPPING TO DLA DISPOSITION SERVICES?

If you need to ship a GSA-approved or previously approved container to the DLA Disposition Services (formerly known as the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service [DRMS]), the process is simple.

• Inspect the container to ensure all contents and all classified materials are removed. It is a good idea to remove the drawers and check behind them for any paper or materials that may have fallen behind them. Safes, filing cabinets, or similar equipment with a locking device may not be turned in to the DLA Disposition Services unless they are empty and unlocked.

• Remove the GSA label. DODM 5200.01, Vol. 3, Enclosure 3, paragraph 8.b states: “When the container is being sent to the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (now DLA Disposition Services) the GSA label shall be removed.”

• Reset the locking device combination to 50-25-50 and properly tag or mark the container.

• Contact a disposal service representative (DSR) at a DLA Disposition Services location. There are several locations listed on their website at https://www.dispositionservices.dla.mil. The DLA Disposition Services will then dispatch a DSR to inspect the container. The container must be open for the DSR to inspect. If the combination is not known and you are locked out, call the DoD Technical Support Hotline. The DSR will also collect the completed DD Form 1348-1A. A blank DD Form 1348-1A can be downloaded from their website. The DSR will provide the distribution instructions and determine where the container will go. It will go to either a DLA Disposition Services hub or to scrap. The DLA Disposition Services will pay for the freight if it goes to a hub from the nearest cross dock point. However, the customer is responsible to pay for freight costs if the container goes to scrap. The DSR will provide the information regarding container shipping to hubs, cross dock points, or to scrap locations.

Note: No GSA-approved container has ever been manufactured with asbestos. For any questions call the DoD Lock Program.
The Intermodal Security Devices (ISD) project is a Research, Development, Testing and Evaluation (RDT&E) effort being conducted by the DoD Lock Program at NAVFAC Engineering Service Center. The project consists of integrating Intrusion Detection sensors with existing Command and Control Systems for tracking Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives in permanent and temporary storage facilities as well as in-transit storage containers (e.g. railcars).

The advantages of using the ISD system are reduced manpower required to meet AA&E policy, improved situational awareness, and verifiable access control at installation entry control points. The ISD is designed for full functionality with USTRANSCOM tracking networks and other DoD Command and Control Networks. All sensors and network equipment meet explosive safety, information assurance, and operational requirements under a wide variety of environmental conditions.
DoD LOCK
PROGRAM WEBSITE
SECURITY WARNINGS

If you encounter a security warning when navigating to the DoD Lock Program website (https://portal.navfac.navy.mil/go/locks), you should install the latest DoD security certificate in your browser settings. Be assured that our website is safe. The DoD Lock Program website is a public site hosted on a secure server, which changes its security certificate periodically. These warnings appear because your browser’s settings reflect the older DoD security certificate. The warnings will vary based on the type of browser you use. First, it will notify you that the site’s certificate is not valid or it cannot be recognized. Then it will give you options, for example:

- “Continue to this website.”
  Although this option is not recommended, it allows you to continue safely.

- “I understand the risks” and then “Add Exception…”

To install the latest security certificate, click through the warnings to get to the DoD Lock Program website home page. Once you can navigate to our homepage, click on the link labeled “DOD Root Certificate” near the top of the page.

NOTE: If you are not able to access our website using the instructions mentioned in this article, please call our Hotline at (800) 290-7607 for assistance.

At the following prompt, click the RUN button and the security certificate will be installed on your computer.

NOTE: The DoD Root Certificate file name may be slightly different.
FREE OPEN/SECURED SIGNS FOR SECURITY CONTAINERS

The DoD Lock Program is now providing “Open/Secured” magnetic signs to the DoD community free of charge. These signs will include the Technical Support Hotline contact information for quick reference in getting support for your security equipment. It is good practice to use these signs on containers or vault doors in order to provide a visual status of the equipment to personnel working in the area.

Please visit the DoD Lock Program website home page and look for the Open/Secured magnet section to order yours now.
HIGH SECURITY PADLOCKS FOR FOREIGN MILITARY SALES

A high security padlock is now available to meet the needs of Foreign Military Sales (FMS) users and the public. The Sargent & Greenleaf (S&G) Model 951C is a key operated, high security padlock with a shrouded shackle and an S1 keyway. This padlock has no “US” or “US Government Property” markings. Contact DLA at DSN 444-2218, or commercial (215) 737-2218 for product availability and reference NSN 5340-01-585-7691.

FMS users must be able to access the DoD EMail to purchase from DLA. For open purchasing without access to the DoD EMail, contact an S&G distributor. On the DoD Lock Program’s website, select the Sargent & Greenleaf Model 951 lock web page, and click on the “Where to Buy” link or contact an S&G representative at (800) 826-7652.

FREE INTERNAL LOCKING DEVICE (ILD) STICK-ON OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR SINGLE & DUAL-KEY LOCKING SYSTEMS

The DoD Lock Program is now offering FREE ILD operating instructions for both the single and dual-key ILDs. These 12” x 14” placards are rigid and weatherproof and come with an adhesive tape so you may attach it to the magazine door.

Please visit the DoD Lock Program website home page and look for the ILD section to order yours now.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. HOW CAN I TELL IF MY X-09 LOCK IS STILL UNDER WARRANTY?

A. The Kaba Mas X-09 and CDX-09 locks are under warranty for a period of one year from the date of purchase.

The best way to tell is by checking your lock purchase receipt. If that isn’t available, check the date of manufacture code, which is stamped on the outside of the lock. The date code will be stamped on the lock’s dial ring at the nine o’clock position. The last two digits designate the year of manufacture, and the first one or two digits designate the month of manufacture. For example, A409 means the lock was manufactured in April of 2009; A1110 means the lock was manufactured in November of 2010. If it appears that the lock was manufactured within two years, it may still be under warranty. Call the DoD Lock Program’s Technical Support Hotline for assistance.

Q. HOW DO I GET A DRAWER HEAD REPLACED ON A GSA-APPROVED CONTAINER?

A. New drawer heads are available from the manufacturers of GSA-approved containers. If you have a Class 6 drawer head that has been damaged and needs to be replaced, you can replace the individual drawer head and continue to use the container. Due to the construction of Class 5 containers, the entire drawer has to be replaced. Class 5 drawers may also be available from the manufacturers. Contact the container manufacturer for pricing and availability.

NOTE: When the new drawer head or complete drawer comes from the manufacturer it will be GSA-approved and will not need to be reinspected. If you have any questions, call the DoD Lock Program’s Technical Support Hotline.
YOU SAVE TIME AND MONEY WHEN YOU PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FROM THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, PHILADELPHIA

DOD LOCK PROGRAM

The objective of the DoD Lock Program is to provide technical and management support for research, development, test, and evaluation of locking devices and related security systems used by the DoD. As such, the Program staff has considerable knowledge, skills, and abilities related to locking devices and security systems that can be of substantial value in providing guidance, solutions, and information on these products. The Technical Support Hotline is structured to provide quick and accurate answers to technical questions on hardware selection, requirements, training, specifications, stock numbers, and troubleshooting of equipment failures. The Hotline personnel are also knowledgeable on many other types of security equipment such as vehicle barriers, magazine doors, emergency destruct equipment, etc., and can often provide immediate guidance or at least get you headed in the right direction. Please call us today.

FOR ASSISTANCE OR INFORMATION CALL:

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Phones: (800) 290-7607; (805) 982-1212; DSN 551-1212
FAX: (805) 982-1253; DSN 551-1253
E-mail: NFESCLOCK_TSS@navy.mil Please leave a commercial number for return calls.

Training Coordinator:
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