

DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CENTER
QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISION
QAP-M0027

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Plate, Mounting

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1. This Quality Assurance Provision covers the requirements for First Article Testing of plates, mounting used on the M-109 Series Howitzer procured in accordance U.S. Army Armament Research and Development Command (19200) Drawing 12553605.

2. First Article Requirements:

a. First Article Testing shall be performed by the contractor under the surveillance of the cognizant DCMAO-QAR. A First Article Test Report shall be prepared by the contractor in accordance with MIL-STD-831 and submitted to Defense Industrial Supply Center, DISC-ETQ, First Article Monitor, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5096.

b. The contractor shall produce both the First Article and the production quantity at the same facility and shall submit a certification to that effect with each First Article Test Report.

c. DISC PCO authorization to allow the contractor to proceed to the production phase to the contract is contingent upon submission, evaluation and approval of the First Article Test Report.

d. The number of items to be tested as First Article Test samples shall be 2.

e. First Article Testing shall include the following inspections, certification and tests as specified in U.S. Army Armament Research and Development Command QAP12553605.

Test	Paragraph
Physical Inspection	Part III (Major & Minor)
Certifications	Part IV
Film Thickness	Part III and Part V
Salt Spray Test	Part III and Part V
Adhesion Test	Part III and Part V
Solvent Wipe Test	Part III and Part V
Surface Cleanliness	Part III and Part V

3. Approved First Article samples not destroyed during testing shall serve as manufacturing standards during production phase of the contract and may be delivered only as part of the final delivery on the contract.

4. Upon receipt of the First Article Test Report, the Quality Assurance Specialist in DISC-M will evaluate the report and recommend approval/disapproval. The presence of any nonconformance to the procurement requirements shall be sufficient cause for disapproval of the First Article Test. The DISC PCO will notify the contractor of the final approval/disapproval decision.

5. Projected lead time for First Article Test Report evaluation:

ACTION	ACTIVITY	CALENDAR DAYS
Evaluation	DISC-M	15 days
Notification	DISC-M	15 days

6. The First Article Test requirement may be waived when supplies identical or similar to those called for have been previously delivered by the offeror and accepted by the Government. If requesting a waiver of the First Article Test requirement on this basis, the contractor must provide specific contract numbers to substantiate the request.