



SUPPLIER QUALITY ESSENTIALS

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Performance: Link has a supplier performance rating with an ultimate goal of 100% product quality and on-time delivery. The threshold for marginal performance by our suppliers is 95% product quality and 90% on-time delivery. A Supplier Corrective Action Request may be required if a suppliers rating falls below the threshold multiple rating periods. Link periodically provides a Scorecard to a limited number of suppliers. Our suppliers may request a scorecard at any time.

MRB Authority: Link withholds MRB authority on Link subcontracts and purchase orders to suppliers unless otherwise stated in the contract agreement. In the event a supplier has identified a discrepancy on product prior to shipment and desires to ship, a written request to Use-As-Is or Repair must be submitted to the Link Buyer for consideration of approval. This request may be prepared on the suppliers form and requires a complete Root Cause and Corrective Action to accompany the request. RC&CA shall take into consideration Product Safety and associated risks. The supplier shall not ship until Link Quality Management gives written authorization.

Safety: All personnel should be aware of product safety hazards and mitigation of associated risks throughout the product lifecycle. Product Safety definition - “The state in which a product is able to perform to its designed or intended purpose without causing unacceptable risk of harm to persons or damage to property”. Product Safety awareness can be communicated via an embedded Safety Culture, with product and process FMEA (Failure Mode & Effects Analysis, through Lessons Learned, or by establishing a Safety Analysis process.

Ethics: L-3 Technologies believes strongly in the importance of a Code of Ethics & Business Conduct awareness program. We expect everyone who works for, or on behalf of, the Company to act with integrity, excellence, accountability, and respect at all times. Our suppliers are encouraged to read and share L3 Technologies [Code of Ethics & Business Conduct](#) with their employees.

Counterfeit Part Prevention: Due to a significant and increasing volume of counterfeit parts entering the supply chain, posing significant performance, reliability and safety risks to our organization and to its customers, Link requires it’s approved qualified suppliers to establish a process to minimize or eliminate the risk of receipt and unintentional delivery of counterfeit parts. The [General Terms and Conditions](#) applied to Link Subcontracts or Purchase Orders defines specific requirements.

Test Data & First Article Reports: L-3 Technologies suppliers play a key role in meeting all requirements from our customers. We rely on the inspection reports, test data, and Certificates of Compliance provided with shipments from our suppliers to give an accurate and complete indication of meeting each requirement. Purchase Order [Supplement No. 3](#) on the Supplier Portal contains complete descriptions of each Quality Code applied to purchase orders.

Quality Management System: Be advised, that the applicable Quality Assurance Codes (Q10A & Q10B) per Purchase Order [Supplement No. 3](#), with the Quality Management System Requirements, have been revised to incorporate the current ISO 9001:2015 and AS9100D standards. Those Suppliers with an existing ISO 9001 or AS9100 Certificate of Registration on file with Link at the previous revision will continue to be deemed acceptable until September 15, 2018.

