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232.102–70 Provisional delivery payments.
(a) The contracting officer may establish provisional delivery payments to pay contractors for the costs of supplies and services delivered to and accepted by the Government under the following contract actions if undefinitized:
(1) Letter contracts contemplating a fixed-price contract.
(2) Orders under basic ordering agreements.
(3) Spares provisioning documents annexed to contracts.
(4) Unpriced equitable adjustments on fixed-price contracts.
(5) Orders under indefinite-delivery contracts.
(b) Provisional delivery payments shall be—
(1) Used sparingly;
(2) Priced conservatively; and
(3) Reduced by liquidating previous progress payments in accordance with the Progress Payments clause.
(c) Provisional delivery payments shall not—
(1) Include profit;
(2) Exceed funds obligated for the undefinitized contract action; or
(3) Influence the definitized contract price.

Subpart 232.2—Commercial Item Purchase Financing

Source: 63 FR 11537, Mar. 9, 1998, unless otherwise noted.

(a)(2) When determining whether an offeror’s financial condition is adequate security, see 232.072–2 and 232.072–3 for guidance. It should be noted that an offeror’s financial condition may be sufficient to make the contractor responsible for award purposes, but may not be adequate security for commercial contract financing.

232.206 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.
(f) Prompt payment for commercial purchase payments. The contracting officer shall incorporate the following standard prompt payment terms for commercial item contract financing:

(i) Commercial advance payments: The contractor entitlement date specified in the contract, or 30 days after receipt by the designated billing office of a proper request for payment, whichever is later.
(ii) Commercial interim payments: The contractor entitlement date specified in the contract, or 14 days after receipt by the designated billing office of a proper request for payment, whichever is later. The prompt payment standards for commercial delivery payments shall be the same as specified in FAR Subpart 32.9 for invoice payments for the item delivered.

(g) Installment payment financing for commercial items. Installment payment financing shall not be used for DoD contracts, unless market research has established that this form of contract financing is both appropriate and customary in the commercial marketplace. When installment payment financing is used, the contracting officer shall use the ceiling percentage of contract price that is customary in the particular marketplace (not to exceed the maximum rate established in FAR 52.232–30).

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Subpart 232.3—Loan Guarantees for Defense Production

232.302 Authority.
(a) The use of guaranteed loans as a contract financing mechanism requires the availability of certain congressional authority. The DoD has not requested such authority in recent years, and none is now available.