Information Update about the Export Allocation Rule on Medical Supplies and Equipment for COVID-19

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FEMA published a Temporary Final Rule (TFR) in the Federal Register on December 31, 2020. It allocated certain scarce critical medical and healthcare resources for domestic use to ensure domestic needs are met during the COVID-19 pandemic, and to ensure supplies of certain materials are not exported abroad inappropriately. The TFR was in effect until June 30, 2021 and is now expired. There are no current restrictions on these items.

FEMA used the TFR to adapt to consistently fluid supply chain considerations while reflecting the most current information about critical medical supplies and healthcare resources. The process required a balance between potential domestic shortages, protection of the national defense interest, promotion of the domestic economy, and an acknowledgment of international and diplomatic considerations.

The TFR is now expired. All previous export restrictions announced under the TFR are no longer in place.

For continued information about the export process, visit U.S. Customs and Border Protection COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions Resources and FAQs.

For exporter support and investment promotion for industry, visit the U.S. Department of Commerce's Export Solutions center.

For information about how the U.S. works internationally to promote a strong and dynamic American economy, visit the <u>U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs</u>.



Information about Emergency Use Authorizations and other requirements around the COVID-19 response are available at the Department of Health and Human Service's U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Visit the FEMA DPA pages to learn more about the Defense Production Act.

This TFR expired as of July 1, 2021.

View the former announcement about the rule, which was dated May 19, 2021

