



U.S. AbilityOne Commission Issues Updated Guidance for Domestic Sourcing and Accuracy in Product Labels

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 1, 2026 – U.S. AbilityOne Commission Chairperson Christina Brandt today issued Directive 26-02, “Updated Guidance for Domestic Sourcing and Accuracy in Product Labels.”

The Directive reiterates the Commission’s commitment to President Donald J. Trump’s “America First Trade Policy” and further commits to implementing Executive Order 14392, “Ensuring Truthful Advertising of Products Claiming to be Made in America.”

The Directive sets forth the Commission’s guidance to AbilityOne Program authorized nonprofit agencies (NPAs) to ensure that products they produce for the AbilityOne Procurement List (PL) meet all applicable domestic sourcing laws, particularly the Buy American Act of 1933 and the Make PPE in America Act. The directive also requires Central Nonprofit Agencies (CNAs) and NPAs to ensure accurate representation of Country of Origin (COO) information on product packaging.

The Directive requires the CNAs to issue written procedures by June 30, 2026, for proposed PL additions and recommended price change transactions to demonstrate compliance with domestic sourcing laws. Additionally, the Directive advises AbilityOne Program NPAs to maintain sufficient documentation demonstrating the COO for each PL product they produce or plan to produce in order to comply with the written CNA procedures.

Beginning July 1, 2026, before a new product is proposed for addition to the PL, the recommended NPA (or CNA if it is the prime contractor) must certify the product meets all applicable sourcing laws or that it meets an exception in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) or other applicable law. Likewise, this certification or recertification will be required when PL products are submitted for price changes beginning on this date.

Directive 26-02 builds upon [Commission Directive 25-01, “Strengthening and Ensuring Consistency of AbilityOne Program Compliance with Domestic Sourcing Laws,”](#) issued on September 10, 2025. By clearly articulating the requirements, applying them to all new products, and leveraging the annual price change cycle for review and recertification, the Directive allows AbilityOne Program NPAs to make plans and supply chain adjustments as needed, and to certify that their products meet domestic sourcing law requirements in a timely and predictable manner.



About the U.S. AbilityOne Commission

The U.S. AbilityOne Commission oversees the AbilityOne Program. The Commission is the operating name of the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled. The Commission is an independent Federal agency composed of 15 Presidential appointees: 11 represent Federal agencies, and four serve as private citizens who are knowledgeable about employment barriers facing people who are blind or have significant disabilities.

About the AbilityOne Program

The AbilityOne Program facilitates the use of government procurement to provide employment in the United States for people who are blind or have significant disabilities. In FY 2025, approximately 41,000 individuals, including approximately 2,800 veterans and wounded warriors, were employed nationwide at approximately 400 nonprofit agencies from Maine to Guam. In addition, AbilityOne provided more than \$4.7 billion in products and services to approximately 40 Federal government agencies.

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