

**PURCHASE DESCRIPTION
U.S. COAST GUARD
BELT, NYLON WITH GOLD BUCKLE**

1. SCOPE

1.1 Scope. This purchase description covers the requirements for a nylon belt with a gold buckle intended for use by active and reserve members of the Coast Guard.

2. REQUIREMENTS

2.1 Description. The belt shall consist of a 1 1/4 inch wide waist nylon belt with a lacquer coated, yellow brass buckle and yellow brass end clip.

2.2. Materials.

2.2.1 Thread, nylon. The nylon thread shall be black and shall be twisted multiple cord, 3 ply, soft finish, general purpose, with normal Tex of 68 grams per kilometer (5,800 to 8,700 yards per pound).

2.2.2 Lacquer. The lacquer shall be pale, clear synthetic lacquer that shall not affect the color of the mountings when applied.

2.2.3 Adhesive. The adhesive shall be suitable for the intended purpose.

2.3 Finish. Mountings shall be burnished and completely coated with lacquer. Coatings shall be free of air pockets and dust particles.

2.4 Marking. The size of the belt shall be marked with gold foil stamping on the inside of the belt buckle poromeric/leather protective tab.

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3. QUALITY ASSURANCE

3.1 Responsibility for inspection. The contractor is responsible for assuring the sword belts conform to the requirements of this document and the demonstration or certified model. The contractor is also responsible for both in-process and final inspection for the entire contract quantity. The Coast Guard reserves the right to check any item(s) at any time during or after production for design, construction, workmanship, appearance, quality, conformance to the demonstration or certified model and finished measurements. Defective items shall be replaced or corrected by the contractor. The manufacturing plan submitted shall show in detail and address how the contractor verifies the requirements of this specification. At a minimum, it shall divide the verification process into the following areas:

- a. Cutting room operations, i.e. top, middle, and bottom layers or parts shall be placed on the pattern for dimensional conformance.
- b. Assembly areas
- c. Shipping and packing areas

3.2 Certification. The contractor shall certify and maintain substantiating evidence the product offered meets this document. The product shall conform to the supplier's standards and quality assurance practices and be processed in compliance with the submitted manufacturing plan. The Coast Guard reserves the right to require proof of standards and quality assurance practices provided in this document or in the contract. Reliance on the supplier's quality assurance systems shall not relieve the contractor of the responsibility of ensuring all products or supplies submitted to the Coast Guard for acceptance comply with all requirements of the contract. All records of inspection, tests, and certificate(s) of compliance shall be made available upon the request of the contracting officer.

3.3 End item examination.

3.3.1 Visual examination. The finish sword belts shall be examined for the following defects.

3.3.1.1 Material defects. Material defects include, but are not limited to the following: Poromeric material or leather not as specified; metal components not plated and finished as specified; thread not as specified.

3.3.1.2 Manufacturing defects. Any component part omitted or not as specified, stitching omitted, broken, misplaced. Poor adhesion resulting in peeling, blistering, or open seams on cemented parts. Belts improperly assembled. Sharp edges, burrs, or nicks on metal components.

3.4 Workmanship. The finished sword belts shall conform to the quality of product established by this document. The occurrence of defects shall not exceed the contractor's own quality assurance standards and the quality assurance standards defined by the technical data in the bid package.

4. PACKAGING, PACKING, MARKING

4.1 Packaging. Each sword belt shall be packaged within a close fitting fiberboard box.

4.2 Packing. Twelve sword belts, packaged as specified, shall be packed on end in a snug fitting fiberboard shipping container.

4.3 Marking. Each shipping container shall be marked with the item name, size and type, date of manufacture, number of items, name of manufacturer, and contract number. Each individual sword belt box shall be legible marked with the size, basic material, and item identification.

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