

**252.204-7021 Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification Requirement.**

As prescribed in [204.7503](#)(a) and (b), insert the following clause:

**CYBERSECURITY MATURITY MODEL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (NOV 2020)**

(a) *Scope.* The Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) CMMC is a framework that measures a contractor's cybersecurity maturity to include the implementation of cybersecurity practices and institutionalization of processes (see <https://www.acq.osd.mil/cmmc/index.html>).

(b) *Requirements.* The Contractor shall have a current (i.e. not older than 3 years) CMMC certificate at the CMMC level required by this contract and maintain the CMMC certificate at the required level for the duration of the contract.

(c) *Subcontracts.* The Contractor shall—

(1) Insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments, including subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial items, excluding commercially available off-the-shelf items; and

(2) Prior to awarding to a subcontractor, ensure that the subcontractor has a current (i.e., not older than 3 years) CMMC certificate at the CMMC level that is appropriate for the information that is being flowed down to the subcontractor.

(End of clause)